

# Unitarian Universalist Church in Eugene



Empowered by love,  
we transform ourselves and  
serve our world.

August's Worship Theme is *Beginnings*

*Meister Eckhardt said, "And suddenly you know: It's time to start something new and trust the magic of beginnings."*

*Time is our great patron. It imposes endings we did not seek and it gives the most sacred of all gifts: beginnings. For August's worship theme, let us revel in this infinite possibility!*

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# ORDER OF SERVICE

August 27, 2017

Gathering Music	<i>Breathe</i>	arr. Mark Hayes
Interlude		
Welcome		
Prelude	<i>Scarborough Fair</i>	arr. Jay Althouse
Call to Worship & Lighting of the Chalice		
Opening Hymn	<i>Morning Has Broken</i>	38
Community of All Ages	<i>How do we tell a Story from the Beginning?</i>	
Offertory	<i>Hey Jude</i>	Lennon/McCartney
Responsive Reading	<i>Lifting our Voices</i>	7
Hymn	<i>Voice Still and Small</i>	391
Prayer		
Reading		Dylan Thomas
Anthem	<i>Ved Rondane</i>	Edvard Grieg
Sermon	<i>In the Beginning Was the Word</i>	
Closing Hymn	<i>For All That is Our Life</i>	128
Extinguishing of the Chalice & Closing Words		
Postlude	<i>Go Ye!</i>	Cindy Berry

Developmental Minister: The Rev. Dr. Sydney A. Morris

Congregational Life Consultant: Kimberly Wootan

Worship Associate: Shane Nelson

Pianist: Susanne Giordano

Guest Musicians: Mary Marshall, Valerie Elliott, Jean Cattel

Lifespan Religious Education Director: Katy Siepert

Summer Music: Our grateful thanks to Jean Cattel for organizing guest musicians for this summer's services, and appreciation to all of the talented musicians who volunteered their beautiful music!

# UUCE Weekly Church Calendar, August 27-Sept. 3, 2017

## Sunday, 8/27

- 8:00am-noon **Building Community**, outside playground. Katy Siepert.  
9:45-11:15am **Childcare (up to age 3)/Children's RE (to age 10)**, Rms 3, 4.  
10:00-11:00am **Church Service**, Sanctuary, Social Hall.  
11:00am-noon **Information and Fundraising Tables**, Lo, SE.  
11:00am-1:00pm **Sunday Social**, Social Hall.  
11:15am-12:15pm **Faith Forward: Inquirers**, Chapel. Rev. Dr. Sydney Morris.

**Monday, 8/28** No open UUCE events listed.

## Tuesday, 8/29

- 8:00-10:00am **UU Birders**, off-site. Mike Berg, 541-357-3145.  
9:00am-noon **Open Church Building Work Party**. Eric S., 414-339-8156.  
5:00pm-sundown **Building Community**, outside playground. Katy Siepert.

**Wednesday, 8/30** No open UUCE events listed.

**Thursday, 8/31** No open UUCE events listed.

## Friday, 9/1

- 10:00-11:30am **Mindful Parenting Group**, Rms 1 & 2. Kelsey K., 541-505-1193.

## Saturday, 9/2

- 10:00am-noon **United F.R.O.N.T.**, Room 7. Audrey Ward, 541-870-4867.

## Sunday, 9/3

- 9:45-11:15am **Childcare (up to age 3)/Children's RE (to age 10)**, Rms 3, 4.  
10:00-10:30am **Church Service**, Sanctuary, Social Hall.  
10:30am-noonish **Labor of Love Church Cleaning Party, Lunch**, inside/outside.  
10:30am-1:00pm **Sunday Social**, Social Hall.  
10:30am-noon **Information and Fundraising Tables**, Lo, SE.

**Legend:** C=Chapel; Cmte=Committee; CUUPs=Covenant of Unitarian Universalist Pagans; JN=Justice Network; K=Kitchen; Lo=Lobby; MO=Minister's Office; RE=Religious Education; Rm=Room; S=Sanctuary; SE=South Entry; SH=Social Hall.

## HAPPENING TODAY

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**WELCOME TO WORSHIP** – Every Sunday in the Sanctuary, in the center aisle through the summer, you are invited to share your blessings, prayers, sorrows, and joys by lighting a candle, dropping a pebble in the water, or writing in a book.

**INFORMATION AND FUNDRAISING TABLES** – Earth EqUuity Food Project, Fair Trade Coffee Cart, Justice Network, Kindness Team Greeting Card Project. 11am-noon, Lobby and South Entry.

**SUNDAY SOCIAL** – Join us today from 11am-1pm in the Social Hall for refreshments and visiting with old and new friends.

**FAITH FORWARD: INQUIRERS** – Each Sunday, from 11:15am-12:15pm, we host a session in the Chapel designed for visitors, new church members, and inquirers, as part of an 8-week series of introductory classes about our church that will be repeated throughout the year. You can drop in at any time, and later on pick up classes you miss. Please join us! Today's topic is: "Q and A with the Minister." Note that that Faith Forward: Inquirers will not occur on Sunday, Sept. 3, 2017. Rev. Dr. Sydney Morris, [minister@uueugene.org](mailto:minister@uueugene.org), 541-686-2775x1.

## CONNECTING: LIFESPAN RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

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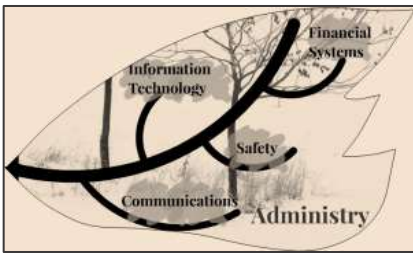
**SUMMER RELIGIOUS EDUCATION PROGRAM** – From June 18 through August, the Sunday morning Religious Education program will occur from 9:45-11:15am, with childcare for infants and toddlers in Room 4, and childcare for children ages 3-10 in Room 3. Children are also welcome to join their parents in the Sanctuary and Social Hall for the church service. Katy Siepert, [uucedre@uueugene.org](mailto:uucedre@uueugene.org), 541-686-2775x2.

**BUILDING COMMUNITY** – Come join staff and volunteers in the fun outside at our playground as the Building Community Program continues the work of building a cobb playhouse, a ball wall, a bubble volcano, and much more. Through August, the days and times are: Tuesdays, 5pm-sundown; Fridays, 8am-noon; and Sundays, 8am-noon. We appreciate and welcome tools, gloves, ideas, creativity, and elbow grease. Katy Siepert, [uucedre@uueugene.org](mailto:uucedre@uueugene.org), 541-686-2775x2.

**MINDFUL PARENTING DISCUSSION GROUP** – This group meets each week and provides community and support for parenting. Parents, parents-to-be, and other guardians of children are welcome to attend regularly or on a drop-in basis. Babies and children of all ages are welcome. Meetings are on Fridays from 10:00-11:30am in Room 2, with childcare in Room 1. Kelsey Khatter, [mindfulparenting@uueugene.org](mailto:mindfulparenting@uueugene.org), 541-505-1193.

## ADMINISTRY

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CHAPEL HAS LIVE STREAMING OF SUNDAY SERVICE – Do you have fidgety kids or just need a quiet place to watch the church service? A live stream is now available in the Chapel.

CHURCH VIDEOS – The church now has more than 100 videos of services, introductions, music performances and more. These are available on the church website in the drop-down menu under WORSHIP or by selecting the YouTube symbol at the top of the home page. Wayne Parker, [bizmanager@uueugene.org](mailto:bizmanager@uueugene.org).

MORE INFORMATION ABOUT EVENTS AVAILABLE BY CLICKING TITLE ON WEB CALENDAR – You often can get further details about events by clicking the title of the event on the web calendar (click “CALENDAR” near the top of the website pages), which may be helpful if you do not have an announcement to refer to.

PARKING TIPS – Please show your Disabled Permit when parking in the spots reserved for you. If you don’t have a legal placard but need to park closer to a door for any reason, please arrive early enough to find a non-Disabled parking spot. Thank you.

## STEWARDSHIP

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OPEN CHURCH WORK PARTY – Please join us each Tuesday morning from 9am to noon for continued work on our beautiful church. There is a whole list of things that need attention. Tools are provided. Sponsored by the Building and Grounds committee. Eric Swegles, [bag@uueugene.org](mailto:bag@uueugene.org), 414-339-8156.

SCENTS: A GENTLE REMINDER – We invite your courtesy in refraining from wearing scents at church. Some attendees are highly sensitive and even allergic to them. Thank you for helping to increase access to our space.

## OUTREACH

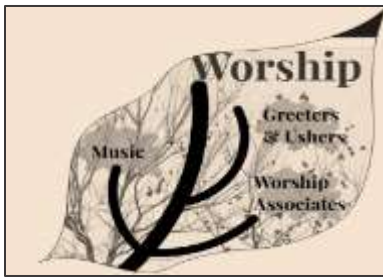
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OCCUPY MEDICAL AND FIRST PLACE FAMILY CENTER – Both appreciate your donations of summer clothes, over-the-counter medical supplies, and tooth care items. Please place donations in the bin by the kitchen. Thank you. Ruth Duemler, [ruthduemler@gmail.com](mailto:ruthduemler@gmail.com), 541-484-6145; John Roy Wilson, [jrw45@comcast.net](mailto:jrw45@comcast.net), 541-687-6728.

## WORSHIP

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JOIN US NEXT SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 3 – We will have an abbreviated half-hour service for celebration led by Rev. Sydney and Katy Siepert, followed by our annual Labor of Love Church Cleaning Party for the inside and outside of the building from 10:30am to noonish. Dress casually. Tools and gloves provided, or bring your favorites. Light lunch will be provided and potluck offerings are welcome. There will be many fun projects for people of all ages and abilities. Connect with new and old friends as we beautify the space for our beloved community.

FROM BRAD SCHULTZ, UUCE'S NEW DIRECTOR OF MUSIC – Matt and I are so appreciative of the warm welcome we received. From the bottom of our hearts, THANK YOU for helping us feel at home! Now, let's get singing! To those who have sung in our choirs in the past, I'm looking forward to making music with you soon. To those who have not, I hope you'll consider joining one of our choirs this year for music making and fellowship. Please see the choir rehearsal schedule in the next announcement. Additionally, I'm VERY interested to hear of other musicians in our midst. Are you looking for a place to play? There is room for you here! Stop by the music office to introduce yourself, or contact me at [music@uueugene.org](mailto:music@uueugene.org) or 541-686-2775x4 with questions. Brad Schultz, Director of Music.

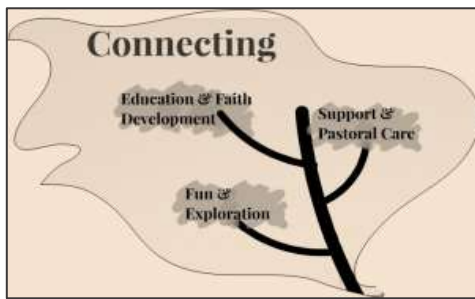
CHOIR REHEARSALS – Join us for a kick-off potluck on Wednesday, September 6 from 6:30-8:30pm, which will include a rehearsal for the following Sunday, as well as a brief audition for new singers interested in the Chamber Singers. New singers interested in the Chamber Singers can also have a brief informal audition with Brad Schultz in the music office after the Sunday service on August 27 or September 3. No preparation is necessary. Please email Brad at [music@uueugene.org](mailto:music@uueugene.org) if none of those dates work for you. Those who sang with the Chamber Singers in the previous church year do not need to complete an audition. Rehearsals for the choirs in the weeks that follow will use the same schedule as in the past:

- Mondays from 7-8:30pm (beginning Sept. 11): Chalice Choir (women)
- Wednesdays from 5:15-6:45pm (beginning Sept. 13): Chamber Singers (mixed voices, by audition)
- Wednesdays from 7-8:30pm (beginning Sept. 13): Sanctuary Choir (mixed voices)

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## CONNECTING

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COMMUNITY ART GALLERY – In August, the gallery features works by family members Scott Hovis, Robby Hovis, Craig Hovis, and Blythe Hovis Harrington. We hope you enjoy the variety. **In September, we will have our 3rd annual all-comers photography show.** This year’s theme is “Cityscapes.” Everyone is welcome to submit one ready-to-hang photo, or bring your work to UUCE on Tuesday, September 5, 10am-noon. Scott Hovis, [gallery@uueugene.org](mailto:gallery@uueugene.org), 541-731-3412.

SPROUTS CHILD CARE CENTER AT UUCE – Now enrolling! Did you know we have a full-time, licensed childcare center on site, renting space at UUCE? Care is available Monday-Friday from 7am-6pm. 20% off your first month! View their website at [www.oregonsprouts.com](http://www.oregonsprouts.com) or contact Director Hunter Solt, [childcare@oregonsprouts.com](mailto:childcare@oregonsprouts.com), 541-600-6186.

LAY PASTORAL ASSOCIATES – Lay Pastoral Associates (LPA) are available to visit people who would benefit from a caring presence to listen to concerns, or from a friendly visit due to being housebound. If you or someone you know would benefit from this service, please talk to a Lay Pastoral Associate any Sunday at church; they’ll be wearing name tags with green ribbons. Or visit the LPA webpage at [uueugene.org](http://uueugene.org) (click CONNECT > Support Groups > Lay Pastoral Programs) and fill out and submit a request form.  
Contact: [laypastoralassociates@uueugene.org](mailto:laypastoralassociates@uueugene.org).

KINDNESS TEAM GREETING CARD PROJECT – Condolence, get-well, blank, and other kinds of cards are available at the table in the Lobby after the service each Sunday. Often there are cards for the whole congregation to sign. The Kindness Team also wants to hear from friends and family if a person is ill or in need of an encouraging word so we can send a card. You may leave a message with Charlotte Writer, [kindnessteam@uueugene.org](mailto:kindnessteam@uueugene.org), 541-935-1170, or with Frankie Hill and Jean Marie Stine, [jmstine@aol.com](mailto:jmstine@aol.com), 510-604-4000.

UUCE BIRDERS – We meet on Tuesday mornings from 8-10am for birdwatching and breakfast. Please join us! Contact Mike Berg, [forthebirds@uueugene.org](mailto:forthebirds@uueugene.org), 541-357-3145 to learn where we will meet each week.