

Unitarian Universalist Church in Eugene



March: Embracing Transformation

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UUCE Weekly Church Calendar, March 11 – 18, 2018

Sunday, 3/11

- 9:45am-12:15pm **Childcare: Infants and toddlers**, Rm 4; **preschool**, Rm 3.
10:00-11:30am **Church Service, Pledging Sunday**, Sanctuary, Social Hall.
10:00-11:30am **SpiritJam: Children's RE**, Rms 1, 2, 5, 6, 7.
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.
11:15am-12:15pm **Faith Forward: Beyond Inquirers**, MO. Rev. Dr. Morris.
11:30am-12:30pm **Justice Network**, Room 7. Barb Prentice, 541-302-8151.

Monday, 3/12 No open UUCE events listed.

Tuesday, 3/13

- 8:00-10:00am **UU Birders**, off-site. Mike Berg, 541-357-3145.
9:00am-noon **Open Church Building Work Party**. Eric Swegles, 414-339-8156.
9:00am-noon **Landscaping Gathering**, outside. Saro H., text 541-731-3366.

Wednesday, 3/14

- 10:00-11:00am **Moving Meditation (open)**, C (**Childcare** Rm 1). Barbara F.
5:00-8:30pm **Choir Childcare**, Rms 1 & 3. Katy Siepert, 541-686-2775x2.
5:15-6:45pm **Chamber Singers Rehearsal**, S. Brad Schultz, 541-686-2775x4.
7:00-8:30pm **Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal**, S. Brad Schultz, 541-686-2775x4.
7:00-9:00pm **Open Men's Group**, Room 7. Bob Coleman, 541-972-0370.

Thursday, 3/15

- 2:00-4:00pm **Spirited Sisters**, Chapel. Laramie Palmer, 541-343-6536.
5:30-7:00pm **TeachOUT**, Room 6. Julie Heffernan, jheffern@uoregon.edu.
5:30-7:30pm **UUCE Board (open)**, C. Lizzy Utterback, 858-204-3938.

Friday, 3/16

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

Saturday, 3/17

- 10:30am-12:30pm **Poetry Workshop #4, UUs**, Rm 1. Bob Coleman, 541-972-0370.
11:00am-2:00pm **That's My Farmer**, off-site. Sue Craig, 541-607-0204.

Sunday, 3/18

- 9:45am-11:15pm **Childcare: Infants and toddlers**, Rm 4; **preschool**, Rm 3.
10:00-11:00am **Church Service, Community Offering**, Sanctuary, Social Hall.
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11:30am-12:30pm **UU Refugee Sanctuary Project**, Rm 7. Connie Newman.
11:30am-1:00pm **Quarterly Conversations (open)**, S. Lizzy U., 858-204-3938.
12:30-1:30pm **Talk on Opal Whiteley, Nature Girl**, C. Thomas Romano.

Legend: C=Chapel; Cmte=Committee; EE=East Entrance; JN=Justice Network; K=Kitchen; Lo=Lobby;
MO=Minister's Office; P=Playground; RE=Religious Education; Rm=Room; S=Sanctuary; SE=South Entry;
SH=Social Hall.

ORDER OF SERVICE

“Embracing Transformation”

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

March 11, 2018

Gathering Music	<i>The Fire of Commitment</i>	Jason Shelton
Hymn Sing		
Lighting of the Chalice		
Story for all Ages		
SpiritJam Recessional		
Call to Worship		
Opening Hymn	<i>The Fire of Commitment</i>	1028
Stewardship Reflection		
Responsive Reading	<i>We Need One Another</i>	468
Meditation		
Anthem	<i>Don't Fence Me In</i>	Philip Hagemann
Sermon	<i>“The Sermon on the Amount”</i>	
Pledging Ceremony	<i>Providence</i>	Neil Patton
Postlude	<i>Theme for a Futuristic Movie</i>	Michael Roth, George Winston
Welcome Tables		

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

Ministerial Intern: Sarah Skochko

Worship Associate: Robin Schantz-Mulford

Stewardship Speaker: Wanda Kuenzli

Congregational Life Facilitator: Kimberly Wootan

Music Director: Brad Schultz

Choir: Low Voice Pick-Up Choir

Pianist: Susanne Giordano

Director of Lifespan Religious Education: Katy Siepert

HAPPENING TODAY

DAYLIGHT SAVINGS TIME SUNDAY, MARCH 11 – We hope you remembered to set your clocks ahead one hour at bedtime on Saturday, March 10.

WELCOME TO WORSHIP – Every Sunday in the Sanctuary, you will find a table where 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.

PLEDGING SUNDAY – Today, March 11, from 10-11:30am our gala celebration of the free church tradition will hear the low voice all-comers choir singing “Don’t Fence Me In.” As we rejoice in our spiritual rights, we will take this moment to insure our future. This is the moment to pledge your financial support for the next church year, which begins July 1. Fun, food, and finances – please come prepared to make your pledge and celebrate our Unitarian Universalist life!

SPIRITJAM – These sessions are open to people of all ages. Attendees start in the Sanctuary for the first part of the church service, then go to the classrooms when the children are sung out at about 10:15am. The sessions last until 11:30am. The topic for today is Recycle Town, USA Jam. Katy Siepert, uucedre@gmail.com, 541-686-2775x2.

INFORMATION AND FUNDRAISING TABLES – Earth EquUUity Food Project, Fair Trade Coffee Cart, Justice Network, Kindness Team Greeting Card Project, Services Auction Planning Team. 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 in the Chapel, we host a session 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 have missed. Please join us! Today’s topic is “Faith Development: Children and Adult Programs.” Rev. Dr. Sydney Morris, minister@ueueugene.org, 541-686-2775x1.

FAITH FORWARD: BEYOND INQUIRERS – This series takes place on a recurring basis each Sunday in the Minister’s Office from 11:15am-12:15pm. These classes empower new and long term UUs to explore answers to the question: “What Is Unitarian Universalism?” Subjects covered include history, spiritual practices, and theology. The topic of today’s session is “UU Theology 3: What Is Our Purpose?” Rev. Dr. Sydney Morris, minister@ueueugene.org, 541-686-2775x1.

JUSTICE NETWORK MEETING – We are expanding our efforts to collect items for Occupy Medical and Whitebird. We need your ideas and participation. Today, March 11, 11:30am-12:30pm in Room 7. Barb Prentice, barbprentice1@gmail.com, 541-302-8151.

OUTREACH

TEACHOUT – This parent and family support group for families with transgender and gender expansive children has three basic agreements: confidentiality, anonymity, and voluntary participation. Childcare is available. We meet on the 3rd Thursday of each month from 5:30-7:00pm. The next meeting will be on March 15 in Room 6. Julie Heffernan, jheffern@uoregon.edu.

THAT'S MY FARMER – All are invited to this fun event, which takes place on Saturday, March 17 from 11am-2pm at First United Methodist Church, 1376 Olive Street, Eugene 97401. There will be activities for the whole family, plus lots of scrumptious locally grown food. Suggested donations of \$5 per person or \$10 per family will support the Low-Income Fund, which supplies those in need with subsidized Community Supported Agriculture shares. Sue Craig, sueacraig@gmail.com, 541-607-0204.

COMMUNITY OFFERING SUNDAY, MARCH 18 – The Eugene Mission, our area's only full-service wellness center for the homeless, will be the recipient of our Community Offering on March 18. Supported by donations they receive from individuals and community organizations, the Eugene Mission provides safe and loving shelter, nutritious meals, free clothing, furnishings, and social services to men, women, and children. More information can be found at www.eugenemission.org. Tasha Ashworth, community-offering@uueugene.org.

UU REFUGEE SANCTUARY PROJECT – The UU Refugee Sanctuary Project will meet at 11:30am in Room 7 on Sunday, March 18. The agenda for this meeting will include: one-year anniversary celebration for Hussain and family, Bystander/Upstander Workshop, Ai Weiwei film "Human Flow," June Photography Exhibit reception at UUCE, and World Refugee Day updates. We welcome all interested UUs! Connie Newman, refugees@uueugene.org, 541-543-1685.

ADMINISTRY

REQUEST TO BE CLEAR ABOUT THE PURPOSE OF CHECKS WRITTEN TO UUCE – Thank you for your generous contributions to UUCE in support of our mission. To help us know where to direct contributions made by check, please indicate on the line on the left lower part of the check (usually labelled Memo or For) what the check is for. Possibilities include: PLEDGE (Annual Fund, General Fund, Pledge Payment); CAPCAM (Capital Campaign, Building Fund); OFFERING (Community Offering usually on 3rd Sunday); and GIFT (additional contributions outside of normal Pledge). If there is some other purpose for the check, please describe it as best you can. If a check is to be split among multiple accounts, please specify how much should go into each account (e.g., CapCam \$100, Pledge \$100). Thank you. David DeCou, pledges@uueugene.org, 541-513-5360.

QUARTERLY CONVERSATIONS WITH THE BOARD – Please join us for the latest on the search for a new developmental minister. Bring any questions you would like us to ask the candidates. What are the most important things you think we should be looking for in a new minister? Snacks will be served. Sunday, March 18, 11:30am-1:00pm in the Sanctuary. Barbara Kellogg, president@uueugene.org, 541-510-9795.

SEEKING LEADERS FOR UUCE – The Leadership Development Committee (LDC) works with members of the church community to help identify individuals interested in serving in leadership roles on the Board of Trustees, and on the Leadership Development Committee. Both groups carry a two-year commitment per term, and require a substantial amount of time from their members. You can find descriptions of the responsibilities associated with these roles on our website. We are beginning our process of identifying nominees for candidacy for the 2018/2019 year. If you are currently a member of UUCE and would like to explore whether one of these roles would be a good fit for you, or if you know of another member who you think would be a good candidate, please contact us for more information. LDC chair, Debra Eichner aceichner@msn.com or 541-731-5899 (phone or text).

PHOTO DIRECTORY – Add your picture to the Photo Directory! Take a selfie, get a formal portrait, or let someone catch you being beautiful: it doesn't matter. Only the name you designate will be attached to your photo. Perhaps your photo will allow you to stand up and be counted, help weave the fabric of community, or just plain let you have fun. The directory will be publicly available on the UUCE website. Send your photo to photodirectory@uueugene.org.

WORSHIP

JOIN US FOR WORSHIP NEXT SUNDAY, MARCH 18 – “Equinox Celebration.” Come and join in the celebration of the warming of the earth and our hearts. Kimberly Wootan, Congregational Life Facilitator.

SPIRITJAM NEXT SUNDAY, MARCH 18 – The topics will be Water Cycle Jam and Pokemon Jam. In addition, the Middle School group will meet and explore how self-acceptance helps us engage with our world.

UPCOMING HOLY DAYS – Watch for upcoming detailed information about the following events:

- Friday, March 30, 1st Day of Passover, Seder Dinner, 5:30-7:30pm.
- Saturday, March 31, Tenebrae meditative service, 8-9pm.
- Sunday, April 1, Easter.

ALL VOICE ALL-COMERS CHOIR – On Easter Sunday, April 1, all voice types are invited to meet in the Sanctuary at 9am, where we will rehearse one piece, and sing it at the beginning of worship. This is low stakes: no dress code, no additional practice, and you can sit where you like for the vast majority of the service. Brad Schultz, uueugenemusic@gmail.com, 541-686-2775x4.

STEWARDSHIP

SUMMER OF LOVE SERVICES AUCTION, DINNER, AND MORE – Come on Saturday, April 7 from 5-9pm for fun activities for all ages. Kids will enjoy a Mad Hatter's tea, while adults play the love bead game, buy raffle tickets, enjoy dinner and socializing, or even win "Best Dressed for the Summer of Love." There will be a live auction by The Love Doctor (Duana Welch) and Dr. Love (Erik Troberg). Registration for bidder numbers (free!) and dinner (\$15 apiece, free for kids in care) is now available online and at the auction table. For questions and to volunteer, contact auction@uueugene.org, Judy Shaw (541-359-6074), or Phyllis O'Neill (541-510-2739).

CONNECTING

COMMUNITY ART GALLERY – In March, we celebrate the 4th annual National Youth Art Month with a show of artwork from UUCE and other youth age 17 years old and younger. Scott Hovis, the curator of this show, taught art at Cottage Grove High School for 30 years. gallery@uueugene.org, 541-731-3412.

SPIRITED SISTERS – This ongoing discussion group is open to all women. We meet on the third Thursday each month from 2-4pm in the Chapel. The next meeting will be on March 15. Laramie Palmer, spiritedsisters@uueugene.org, 541-343-6536.

POETRY WORKSHOP #4 FOR UUS – This group is open to people who enjoy writing and sharing poetry. We meet from 10:30am to 12:30pm on the third Saturday each month in Room 1. The next meeting will be on March 17. Bob Coleman, bobbyland36@gmail.com, 541-972-0370.

CONNECTING: LIFESPAN RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

TALK ON OPAL WHITELEY, OREGON'S NATURE GIRL – Come hear the story of Opal Whiteley, a girl who grew up about 100 years ago and wrote a best-selling diary about her experiences as a child of nature growing up in Oregon's Willamette Valley. Sunday, March 18, 12:30-1:30pm in the Chapel. Thomas Romano, thomasromano3829@gmail.com.

THE ARTIST'S WAY – This 8-session series, based on the best-selling book *The Artist's Way: A Spiritual Path to Higher Creativity* by Julia Cameron, is designed to help participants tap into their natural creativity, curiosity, and artistry. The teacher is Linzie Kronheim, a life coach and artist. The initial one-time sampler session is on Sunday, March 25, from 1-3pm in the Chapel. The subsequent 8-session series will take place Fridays, April 6 through May 25 from 6:30-8:30pm in the Chapel. All materials are supplied. Cost is \$20 per session. For questions and to register, contact Linzie Kronheim, lifecoachlynzie@gmail.com, 541-228-1033.

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



REQUEST TO SUBSCRIBE TO THE UUCE WEEKLY eBULLETIN AND MONTHLY NEWSLETTER – Please tear off this form and deposit it in the wood request box near the Welcome Table in the Lobby.

Today's Date: _____

Name (s): _____

Email address (s): _____

Street address: _____