

Unitarian Universalist Church in Eugene



March: Embracing Transformation

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UUCE Weekly Church Calendar, March 18 – 25, 2018

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.
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 **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.

Monday, 3/19 No open UUCE events listed.

Tuesday, 3/20

- 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.
3:00-6:00pm **Earth EqUUity Food Project Produce Plus**, EE. Berry B.

Wednesday, 3/21

- 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.
5:30-7:00pm **Harry Potter, Sacred Text**, off-site. Debra E., 541-731-5899.
7:00-8:30pm **Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal**, S. Brad Schultz, 541-686-2775x4.
7:00-9:00pm **Men's Group (open)**, Room 7. Jim Kayser, 541-484-1840.

Thursday, 3/22

- 2:00-4:00pm **Quilting for a Cause**, Rm 6. Barbara Flitcroft, 503-704-4105.
6:30-8:30pm **Food for Lane Co. Volunteer**, off-site. Berry B., 541-344-9037.

Friday, 3/23

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

Saturday, 3/24 No open UUCE events listed.

Sunday, 3/25

- 9:45am-11:15pm **Childcare: Infants and toddlers**, Rm 4; **preschool**, Rm 3.
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1:00-3:00pm **The Artist's Way (open)**, C. Linzie Kronheim, 541-228-1033.

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

“Celebration of Hope”

Congregational Life Facilitator: Kimberly Wootan

March 18, 2018

Gathering Music	<i>Pastorale</i>	Carlo Monza
Hymn Sing		
Interlude	<i>Gigue, from Allemande</i>	Johann Mattheson
Welcome		
Prelude	<i>Menuet</i>	Leon Boëllman
Call to Worship		
Lighting the Chalice		
Opening Hymn	<i>Lo the Earth Awakes Again</i>	61
Story for All Ages	<i>Yellow Glove</i>	Naomi Shihab Nye
SpiritJam Recessional		
Responsive Reading		
Offertory	<i>Two Flute Pieces</i>	Thomas Thorley/William Hine
Hymn	<i>Winds Be Still</i>	83
Prayer		
Anthem	<i>The Divine Wave</i>	Dan Forrest
Sermon		
Closing Hymn	<i>Rising Green</i>	1068
Extinguishing the Chalice and Closing Words		
Postlude	<i>Toccatà in F, BWV 540</i>	J.S. Bach

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

Ministerial Intern: Sarah Skochko

Worship Associate: Robin Schantz-Mulford

Congregational Life Facilitator: Kimberly Wootan

Music Director: Brad Schultz

Choir: Chamber Singers

Pianist: Susanne Giordano

Guest Musician: Judy Shaw

Director of Lifespan Religious Education: Katy Siefert

HAPPENING TODAY



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.

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 topics for today are Water Cycle Jam and Pokemon Jam. The Middle School Meetup will explore how self-acceptance helps us engage with

our world. Katy Siepert, uucedre@gmail.com, 541-686-2775x2.

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. More information can be found at www.eugenemission.org. Tasha Ashworth, community-offering@uueugene.org.

INFORMATION AND FUNDRAISING TABLES – Earth EqUUity Food Project, Eugene Mission, 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 “Worship and Seasons of the Year.” Rev. Dr. Sydney Morris, minister@uueugene.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 4: Who Are We?” Rev. Dr. Sydney Morris, minister@uueugene.org, 541-686-2775x1.

UU REFUGEE SANCTUARY PROJECT – The UU Refugee Sanctuary Project will meet today, March 18, from 11:30am-12:30pm in Room 7. Discussion topics will include the Bystander/Upstander workshop on April 21, the anniversary party for Hussain and family on April 22, the reception for photo exhibit on June 8, and World Refugee Day on June 20. All are welcome! Connie Newman, refugees@uueugene.org, 541-543-1685.

QUARTERLY CONVERSATIONS WITH THE BOARD – Please join us today, March 18, from 11:30am-1:00pm in the Sanctuary 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. Barbara Kellogg, president@uueugene.org, 541-510-9795.

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. Today, March 18, 12:30-1:30pm in the Chapel. Thomas Romano, thomasromano3829@gmail.com.

ADMINISTRY

REQUEST TO BE CLEAR ABOUT THE PURPOSE OF CHECKS WRITTEN TO UUCE – To help us know where to direct the 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 (for annual budget drive), CAPCAM (for Capital Campaign), OFFERING (for Community Offering), 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.

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).

WORSHIP

JOIN US FOR WORSHIP NEXT SUNDAY, MARCH 25 – "New Formations Across Divides." Can we imagine the joyous, painful transformations required to re-form our philosophies and institutions toward whole and healthy lives for all peoples? What vision and what tiny step must we, can we, might we nurture? As UUs we say we've come this far by faith; what progress do we see, and what's next? Rev. Dr. Sydney Morris.

SPIRITJAM NEXT SUNDAY, MARCH 25 – The topics will be Tie-Dye Jam and Imbolc Jam.

UPCOMING HOLY DAYS –The previously announced First Day of Passover Seder Dinner on Friday, March 30, and the Tenebrae meditative service on Saturday, March 31 have been cancelled due to low enrollment. On Easter Sunday, April 1, we will have an intergenerational service with a fun for all ages celebration. Afterwards, hunt for Easter eggs, create fun Easter crafts, and revel in the coming of Spring!

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.

REQUEST FOR PEANUT BUTTER AND JELLY DONATIONS – Leading up to our Easter celebration on April 1, please bring donations of peanut butter and/or jelly to a basket by the door of the Director of Lifespan Religious Education for the annual "Jelly Roll." These donations ensure that we have enough sandwich makings for the coming year when making lunches during Lunch Sack Jam, and support the Earth EquUity initiative that provides food for homeless men and women in the local justice system.

OUTREACH

EARTH EQUUNITY FOOD PROJECT PRODUCE PLUS –This Food for Lane County program provides fresh produce and bread to income-eligible individuals and families. Produce Plus is open on the 1st and 3rd Tuesday each month from 3-6pm in the East Entrance of the church. The next session will be on March 20. For more information or to volunteer, visit the Earth EquUity table after the Sunday service or contact Berry Broadbent, EEFood@ueeugene.org, 541-344-9037.

QUILTING FOR A CAUSE – This group is open to everyone. Quilting experience is not required, just enthusiasm and willingness to be put to work. For our initial project, we'll be assembling quilts for the St. Vincent de Paul Homeless Teens Project. We meet on the 2nd and 4th Thursday each month in Room 6 from 2-4pm. The next session will be on March 22. Barbara Flitcroft, barwood13@earthlink.net, 503-704-4105 (texting is best).

FOOD FOR LANE COUNTY VOLUNTEER NIGHT –Thursday, March 22, 6:30-8:30pm, 770 Bailey Hill Road, Eugene. We meet on the fourth Thursday each month. Wear a hat or ponytail and closed toe shoes. Volunteers must be at least 14 years old, or 12-13 years old and accompanied by an adult. Contact Berry Broadbent, Justice Network, hunger@uueugene.org, 541-344-9037. Or just show up!

OREGON UU VOICES FOR JUSTICE (OUUVfJ) REQUEST FOR HELP – OUUVfJ has a matching grant through the end of March to support their work. You can donate online at www.uuvoicesoregon.org, or mail your donation to Oregon UU Voices for Justice, c/o David Delk, 112 NE 45th Ave., Portland, OR 97213. They are also looking for Board members and volunteers for next year. Thank you. For more information and questions, contact Sue Craig, sueacraig@gmail.com, 541-607-0204.

SEED TO SUPPER COURSE COMES TO UUCE – UUCE’s Earth EquUity Food Project, in conjunction with Food for Lane County, is offering Seed to Supper, a free, six-week course for beginning gardeners on a tight budget. Course instructors will be church members Barbara Dumesnil and Valerie Elliott, who are trained facilitators and Master Gardeners. Classes will be held at UUCE on Tuesdays, from April 3 through May 8, from 1-3pm in Room 6. To register, contact Jen Anonia, jen@foodforlanecounty.org, 541-343-2822, or register online at www.foodforlanecounty.org/gardens. Barbara Dumesnil, barbaradumesnil@gmail.com, 541-513-3972.

CONNECTING: LIFESPAN RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

HARRY POTTER AND THE SACRED TEXT – We read *Harry Potter*, not just as novels, but as instructive and inspirational texts that will teach us about our own lives. We meet every other Wednesday from 5:30-7:00pm in the upstairs tables area of Market of Choice, 67 West 29th Avenue, Eugene. Our next meeting will be on March 21. For more info, contact Debra Eichner, aceichner@msn.com, 541-731-5899.

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 Lynzie Kronheim, a life coach and artist. The initial free 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 Lynzie Kronheim, lifecoachlynzie@gmail.com, 541-228-1033.

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we transform ourselves and serve our world



STEWARDSHIP

REGISTER NOW FOR THE SUMMER OF LOVE SERVICES AUCTION AND DINNER – Come on Saturday, April 7 from 5-9pm for an evening of 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.” Visit the auction table after the Sunday service or go online to register for bidder numbers (free) and reserve dinner (\$15 apiece, free for kids in care). For questions and to volunteer, contact auction@uueugene.org, Judy Shaw (541-359-6074), or Phyllis O’Neill (541-510-2739).

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: _____