

Empowered by love,
we transform ourselves and serve our world

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.

“SERVANT OF THE FRONTIER” OPEN MIC EVENT – The leadership development committee is trying something new, and therefore entering a new frontier. You are invited to be a servant of the frontier with us. Everyone who is interested can participate in an open mic event, either as a performer or an audience member, as a way of getting to know each other. A light meal will be served and attendees are asked to bring an item for a dessert potluck. Saturday, April 21, 5-7pm at UUCE. If you would like to perform for a 5-minute segment (such as playing an instrument, singing, telling stories, doing magic, and other possibilities), please contact Christine Santoro, cms1969@gmail.com, 541-357-0930.

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 (click CONNECT > Support Groups > Lay Pastoral Programs) and fill out and submit a request form. Contact: Kimberly Wootan, laypastoralassociates@uueugene.org.

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: _____



March: Embracing Transformation

UUCE Weekly Church Calendar, March 25 – April 1, 2018

Sunday, 3/25

9:45am-11:15pm **Childcare: Infants and toddlers**, Rm 4; **preschool**, Rm 3.
10:00-11:00am **Church Service**, 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.
12:30-2:30pm **Challenging Racism**, Room 2. Katy Siepert, 541-686-2775x2.
1:00-2:00pm **Traveling With UU**, Minister's Office. Rev. Dr. Sydney Morris.
1:00-3:00pm **The Artist's Way (open)**, C. Linzie Kronheim, 541-228-1033.

Monday, 3/26

No open UUCE events listed.

Tuesday, 3/27

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, 3/28

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, 3/29

No open UUCE events Listed.

Friday, 3/30

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

Saturday, 3/31

No open UUCE events listed.

Sunday, 4/1

9:15-9:30am **Membership Book Signing**, MO. Erin Troberg, 541-870-2054.
9:45am-11:15pm **Childcare: Infants and toddlers**, Rm 4; **preschool**, Rm 3.
10:00-11:00am **Church Service (First Half Intergenerational)**, S, SH.
10:30-11:00am **SpiritJam: Children's RE**, Rms 1, 2, 5, 6, 7.
11:00am-noon **Easter Egg Hunt, Jelly Roll, Crafts**, Rms 5, 6, C, Playground.
11:00am-noon **Information and Fundraising Tables**, Lo, SE.
11:00am-1:00pm **Sunday Social**, Social Hall.
11:15am-12:15pm **Faith Forward: Inquirers**, Room 2. Rev. Dr. Sydney Morris.
11:15am-12:15pm **Faith Forward: Beyond Inquirers**, MO. Rev. Dr. Morris.

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.

ADMINISTRY

MEMBERSHIP BOOK SIGNING – Are you ready to become a member of UUCE?

Opportunities to sign the membership book are now available on the first Sunday of each month. If you are ready to sign, please meet on Sunday, April 1 at 9:15am in Rev. Sydney's office. Membership Chair Erin Troberg, memb-chair@uueugene.org, 541-870-2054.

REQUEST TO BE CLEAR ABOUT THE PURPOSE OF CHECKS WRITTEN TO UUCE – 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 (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).

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

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 majority of the service. Brad Schultz, uueugenemusic@gmail.com, 541-686-2775x4.

JOIN US FOR WORSHIP NEXT SUNDAY, APRIL 1 – The first half of this service will be intergenerational, then the SpiritJam folks will go to their classrooms. The topic of the sermon will be “Jesus as the Holy Fool.” On this intersection of April Fool’s Day and Easter, we will explore how Jesus and Mary embody the ancient archetypes of the holy fools found in ancient religions. Kimberly Wootan, Congregational Life Facilitator.

SPIRITJAM NEXT SUNDAY, APRIL 1 – SpiritJam participants will be part of the intergenerational Easter Sunday service from 10-10:30am, and will then go to the classrooms from 10:30-11am. The topics will be announced.

EASTER EGG HUNT, JELLY ROLL, AND EASTER CRAFTS – Enjoy these fun activities on Sunday, April 1, from 11am-noon in Rooms 5, 6, Chapel, and the Playground.

REQUEST FOR CREAMY PEANUT BUTTER AND JELLY DONATIONS – Leading up to our Easter celebration on April 1, please bring donations of creamy 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 will provide 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.

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).

ORDER OF SERVICE

“Embracing Transformation”

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

March 25, 2018

Gathering Music	<i>Movement I from Sonata in G No. 2</i>	Giovanni Platti
Hymn Sing		
Prelude	<i>Movement III</i>	Giovanni Platti
Welcome & Call to Worship		
Opening Hymn	<i>Answering the Call of Love</i>	1014
Lighting of the Chalice		
Responsive Reading	<i>Connections Are Made Slowly</i>	568
Reading		
Offertory	<i>Movement IV</i>	Giovanni Platti
Meditation Hymn	<i>When Our Heart Is in a Holy Place</i>	1008
Meditation		
Responsive Reading	<i>The Limits of Tyrants</i>	579
Anthem	<i>Movement II</i>	Giovanni Platti
Sermon	<i>“Poor People’s Campaign”</i>	
Closing Hymn	<i>Come and Go with Me</i>	1018
Extinguishing the Chalice and Closing Words		
Postlude	<i>“Presto” from Sonata No. 2</i>	George Frideric Handel

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

Ministerial Intern: Sarah Skochko

Worship Associate: Sam Rutledge

Congregational Life Facilitator: Kimberly Wootan

Music Director: Brad Schultz

Pianist: Susanne Giordano

Guest Musician: Judy Shaw

Director of Lifespan Religious Education: Katy Siepert

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 Tie-Dye Tying Jam and Imbolc Jam. Katy Siepert, uucedre@gmail.com, 541-686-2775x2.

INFORMATION AND FUNDRAISING TABLES – The Artist’s Way, Earth EquUity 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 “Social Action and Community Service.” 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 5: What Is Truth?” Rev. Dr. Sydney Morris, minister@uueugene.org, 541-686-2775x1.

CHALLENGING RACISM: PUTTING LOVE INTO ACTION – As a people of faith, grounded in our principles, we have created this group to put love into action by first transforming ourselves through deeper recognition that we live in a racist world. All participants are involved to engage in anti-racism work in themselves, the church, and the world. White participants are encouraged to educate themselves through reading and discussion groups to learn how white supremacy manifests on the large and small scales. We will work to uproot learned, oppressive behaviors, address the cultural disease of racism, and acknowledge the trauma white people visit upon people of color. We do this in an effort to strengthen UUCE’s ability to be a sanctuary where all hands are truly held. All are welcome today, March 25, from 12:30-2:30pm in Room 2. Katy Siepert, uucedre@gmail.com, 541-686-2775x2.

TRAVELING WITH UU – Many in our congregation have traveled to fascinating places all over the globe. Come chat with them about their experiences. Our next installation will be with Rev. Sydney who will discuss her recent visit to Beijing, China. Today, March 25, from 1-2pm in the Minister’s Office.

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 free one-time sampler session is today, 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.

OUTREACH

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.

LEARN TO GROW YOUR OWN VEGGIES – If you’re a beginning gardener on a tight budget, you’ll learn how you, too, can grow your own healthy food. This free, six-week SEED TO SUPPER course will meet on Tuesdays, beginning April 3, from 1-3pm in Room 6 at UUCE. Offered by UUCE’s Earth EquUity Food Project in conjunction with Food for Lane County, the classes will be taught by church members Barbara Dumesnil and Valerie Elliott, who are trained facilitators and Master Gardeners. To register, contact Jen Anonia, jen@foodforlanecounty.org, 541-343-2822, or register online at www.foodforlanecounty.org/gardens. Valerie Elliott, homelliott@gmail.com, 541-505-7183.

OCCUPY MEDICAL AND FIRST PLACE FAMILY CENTER – Warm clothes, including clothing for children, are especially appreciated. Please place donations in the bin near the kitchen. Thank you. Ruth Duemler, ruthduemler@gmail.com, 541-484-6145; John Roy Wilson, jrw45@comcast.net, 541-687-6728.