

Unitarian Universalist Church in Eugene



March: Embracing Transformation

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UUCE Weekly Church Calendar, March 4 – 11, 2018

Sunday, 3/4

- 9:15-9:30am **Membership Book Signing**, MO. Erin Troberg, 541-870-2054.
9:45-11:15am **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.
1:00-3:00pm **Blessing Books**, Chapel. Katy Siepert, 541-686-2775x2.

Monday, 3/5

No open UUCE events listed.

Tuesday, 3/6

- 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.
5:30-7:30pm **Touchstone Tuesday Potluck**, SH, K. Lizzy U., 858-204-3938.
7:00-9:00pm **Health Care for All Oregon**, off-site. Kathy Filip, 248-891-9890.

Wednesday, 3/7

- 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, 3/8

- 2:00-4:00pm **Quilting for a Cause**, Rm 6. Barbara Flitcroft, 503-704-4105.
5:30-7:30pm **Exec Committee UUCE Board (closed)**, Rm 5. Lizzy U.
7:00-9:00pm **Fiber Love**, Rm 2. Taylor Rutledge, taylorjrutledge@gmail.com.

Friday, 3/9

- 9:00-10:30am **Earth EqUUity Food Project Court Program**, K. Berry Broadbent.
10:00-11:30am **Mindful Parenting Group**, Rms 1 & 2. Kelsey K., 541-505-1193.

Saturday, 3/10

- 9:00am-noon **Membership Orientation**, Chapel. Erin Troberg, 541-870-2054.
9:00am-noon **Membership Orientation Childcare**, Rm 3. Erin T., 541-870-2054.

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.
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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.

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”

Ministerial Intern Sarah Skochko

March 4, 2018

Gathering Music	<i>Aurora’s Bed</i>	Gary Girouard
Hymn Sing		
Welcome		
Prelude	<i>Do Not Leave Your Cares at the Door</i>	Elizabeth Alexander
Call to Worship		
Lighting of the Chalice		
Opening Hymn	<i>I Am That Great and Fiery Force</i>	27
SpiritJam Recessional		
Reflection		
Anthem	<i>Across the Vast Eternal Sky</i>	Ola Gjeilo
Reading		
Meditation		
Hymn	<i>Find a Stillness</i>	352
Sermon	<i>Our Many Selves</i>	
Offertory	<i>Out of the Dark</i>	Gary Girouard
Closing Hymn	<i>My Life Flows on in Endless Song</i>	108
Extinguishing the Chalice & Closing Words		
Postlude	<i>Rhosymedre</i>	J.D. Edwards/Ralph Vaughan Williams

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

Ministerial Intern: Sarah Skochko

Worship Associate: August Sabini

Congregational Life Facilitator: Kimberly Wootan

Music Director: Brad Schultz

Choir: Sanctuary Choir

Pianist: Susanne Giordano

Director of Lifespan Religious Education: Katy Siepert

HAPPENING TODAY



MEMBERSHIP BOOK SIGNING – Are you ready to become a member of UUCE? Opportunities to sign the membership book are now available on the 1st Sunday of each month. If you are ready to sign, please meet today, March 4 at 9:15am in Rev. Morris' office. Membership Chair Erin Troberg, memb-chair@uueugene.org, 541-870-2054.

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 will be announced. In addition, the Middle School group will meet. Katy Siepert, uucedre@gmail.com, 541-686-2775x2.

INFORMATION AND FUNDRAISING TABLES – 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 "UUCE History and Campus Tour." 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 2 – Is Anyone Out There? – Questions of Divinity." Rev. Dr. Sydney Morris, minister@uueugene.org, 541-686-2775x1.

SUMMER OF LOVE SERVICES AUCTION AND DINNER – Now's the time! **Today, March 4**, is the last day for submitting donations to UUCE's Services Auction, which will occur on Saturday, April 7, from 5-9pm. Join in creating a Summer of Love full of good times together by donating your favorite fun activities, outings, skills or meals. **Donate online at www.uueugene.org/stewardship/services-auction/ by 8pm today, or come by the Auction table after the Sunday service.** Watch for more details about this event in the near future. For questions, contact auction@uueugene.org, Judy Shaw (541-359-6074), or Phyllis O'Neill (541-510-2739).

BLESSING BOOKS – Today, March 4, from 1-3pm in the Chapel, the Rev. Laurie Bushbaum will facilitate the creative process of making blessing books. Create a simple hand-bound, pop-up book to serve as a meditation tool. All ages welcome. Children under 10 should bring their own adult. Additional information is available in the Religious Education for Adults Winter 2018 pamphlet and on the UUCE website. Katy Siepert, uucedre@gmail.com, 541-686-2775x2.

ADMINISTRY

MEMBERSHIP ORIENTATION SATURDAY, MARCH 10 – We invite all those interested in finding out more about our congregation and what it means to be a member to attend an orientation session on Saturday, March 10 from 9am-12pm in the Chapel. Food and childcare will be provided. Membership chair Erin Troberg, memb-chair@uueugene.org, 541-870-2054.

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.

QUARTERLY CONVERSATIONS SUNDAY, MARCH 18 – Please join us for the latest information 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, Board President, president@uueugene.org, 541-510-9795.

OUTREACH

EARTH EQUITY 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 6. For more information or to volunteer, visit the Earth EqUuity table after the Sunday service or contact Berry Broadbent, EEFood@uueugene.org, 541-344-9037.

HEALTH CARE FOR ALL OREGON (HCAO) – HCAO's monthly meeting will be at First United Methodist Church, 1376 Olive St., Eugene, on Tuesday, March 6 from 7-9pm. All are welcome. HCAO is a UUCE Justice Network sponsored volunteer organization. Kathy Filip, healthcare@uueugene.org, 248-891-9890.

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 8. Barbara Flitcroft, barwood13@earthlink.net, 503-704-4105 (texting is best).

EARTH EQUITY FOOD PROJECT COMMUNITY COURT JUSTICE PROGRAM – We meet on the second Friday each month to assemble lunches and then deliver them to the downtown Eugene Public Library, where the Community Court Justice Program is held. Our next session will be on March 9, from 9-10:30am in the Kitchen. For questions or to volunteer, contact Berry Broadbent in the lobby after the Sunday service, or at EEFood@uueugene.org, 541-344-9037 (call or text).

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

THAT'S MY FARMER EVENT MARCH 17, REQUEST FOR HELP – UUCE Justice Network, via Interfaith Earthkeepers, is asking for volunteers to help with the That's My Farmer Community Supported Agriculture (CSA) Share Fair first annual fundraiser on Saturday, March 17 from 11am-2pm at First United Methodist Church, 1376 Olive Street, Eugene 97401. There will be fun activities for the whole family, including baby animals, face painting, a veggie costume contest, a magician, and sampling tasty farm snacks. Suggested donations of \$5 per person or \$10 per family will support the Low-Income Fund, which supplies those in need with subsidized CSA shares. Volunteer opportunities include: greeters, cashiers, helpers with door prize tickets, and help for a farmer. Sign up with Sue Craig at the Justice Network table in the lobby after the Sunday service or contact Sue Craig, sueacraig@gmail.com, 541-607-0204.

CONNECTING: LIFESPAN RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

HARRY POTTER AND THE SACRED TEXT – Based on the podcast hosted by Vanessa Zoltan and Casper ter Kuile (www.harrypottersacredtext.com), we are hosting our very own Harry Potter and the Sacred Text group. 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 Ave., Eugene. Our next meeting will be on March 7. For more info, contact Debra Eichner, aceichner@msn.com, 541-731-5899.

WORSHIP

JOIN US FOR WORSHIP NEXT SUNDAY, MARCH 11, PLEDGING SUNDAY – Our gala celebration of the free church tradition will hear the 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! We will meet from 10-11:30am. Rev. Dr. Sydney Morris, minister@ueeugene.org, 541-686-2775x1.

SPIRITJAM NEXT SUNDAY, MARCH 11 – The topics will be announced.

LOW VOICE ALL-COMERS CHOIR SUNDAY, MARCH 11; ALL VOICE ALL-COMERS CHOIR SUNDAY, APRIL 1 – On Sunday, March 11, tenors, basses, and other low 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. We will do a similar plan for all voice types on Easter Sunday, April 1, meeting at 9am. Brad Schultz, ueeugenemusic@gmail.com, 541-686-2775x4.

BRAD SCHULTZ ORGAN RECITAL SATURDAY, MARCH 17 – Our Music Director Brad Schultz will play an organ recital on Saturday, March 17 at 4pm at Episcopal Church of the Resurrection, 3925 Hilyard Street, Eugene 97405. This presentation is part of the Eugene Chapter of the American Guild of Organists Lenten recital series. Saturday recitals will occur each week through March 24. The organ at UUCE is taking shape in the Sanctuary, and you will hear its first sounds soon. Brad Schultz, ueeugenemusic@gmail.com, 541-686-2775x4.

CONNECTING



TOUCHSTONE TUESDAY POTLUCK – On the first Tuesday of each month, you are invited to bring a kid or a dish to a church-wide potluck in the Social Hall. The next potluck will be on March 6, 5:30-7:30 pm, with Grace offered at 6pm. For more information, contact Lizzy Utterback, tuesdaypotluck@ueeugene.org, 858-204-3938.

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

CONNECTING (cont.)

FIBER LOVE – Come knit, crochet, or finger-knit as part of a knitting circle. We'll come together, talk, and enjoy one another's company and expertise. Bring your own projects, we'll supply the company! This open group meets on the second Thursday each month from 7-9pm in Room 2. The next meeting will be on March 8. Taylor Rutledge, taylorjrutledge@gmail.com.

COMMUNITY ART GALLERY – In March, we honor 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.

STEWARDSHIP

PLEDGING SUNDAY – This is an important year in the life of UUCE. Come enjoy Food, Fun, and Finance at our Annual Appeal on Sunday, March 11 from 10-11:30am in the Sanctuary and Social Hall. Your financial support for the next church year feeds the fire of commitment. It will see us through the transition into a new and exciting time with our next Developmental Minister. Thank you for your support, which empowers the church to speak to the world; our voice of faithful commitment to integrity, education, justice, and compassion will keep the flame ablaze.

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: _____