

Unitarian Universalist Church in Eugene



April: Sustainable

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UUCE Weekly Church Calendar, April 29 – May 6, 2018

Sunday, 4/29

- 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.
11:30am-1:30pm **Getting Past Ouch! (Session 1)**, Rm 5. Peter P., 541-484-6705.
12:30-2:30pm **Challenging Racism**, Room 2. Steve Kuzma, 734-678-3732.

Monday, 4/30

No open UUCE events listed.

Tuesday, 5/1

- 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 F., 248-891-9890.

Wednesday, 5/2

- 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.
7:00-7:30pm **Mid-Week Worship Service (open)**, SE. Sarah Skochko.
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, 5/3

- 4:00-5:30pm **Communication Workshops: Conversations in Conflict**, S.

Friday, 5/4

- 9:00-10:30pm **Earth EqUUity Food Project Court Program**, K. Berry B.
10:00-11:30am **Mindful Parenting Group**, Rms 1 & 2. Kelsey K., 541-505-1193.
6:30-8:30pm **The Artist's Way (open)**, Chapel. Lynzie K., 541-228-1033.

Saturday, 5/5

- 11:30am **Church Women United Lunch**, off-site. Ruth D., 541-484-6145.
1:00-3:00pm **TeachOUT: Early Childhood (open)**, Rm 5. Julie Heffernan.

Sunday, 5/6

- 9:15-9:30am **Membership Book Signing**, MO. Erin Troberg, 541-870-2054.
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11:30am-12:30pm **UU Refugee Sanctuary Project**, Rm 7. Connie N., 541-543-1685.
11:30am-1:30pm **Getting Past Ouch! (Session 2)**, Rm 5. Peter P., 541-484-6705.
12:30-2:30pm **Challenging Racism**, Room 2. Steve Kuzma, 734-678-3732.
4:00-5:30pm **Ordination of Kimberly Wootan (open)**, Sanctuary.
5:30-6:00pm **Ordination Reception (open)**, Sanctuary, Social Hall, Kitchen.

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

“Sustainable”

Worship Associates: August Sabini, Dan Carrere,
Robin Schantz-Mulford, Kris Olsen, & Sam Rutledge

April 29, 2018

Gathering Music	<i>Cascada</i>	Christine Brown
Hymn Sing		
Blues Prelude		August Sabini/Dave Sufka
Welcome		
Introit	<i>April Showers</i>	Louis Silvers/B.G. De Silva
Call to Worship & Lighting of the Chalice		
Opening Hymn	<i>Love Will Guide Us</i>	131
Story for All Ages		
SpiritJam Recessional		
Reflection by August Sabini		
Offertory	<i>Surface Tension</i>	Neil Patton
Meditation		
Anthem	<i>Now O Now I Needs Must Part</i>	John Dowland
Reflection by Sam Rutledge		
Closing Hymn	<i>Just As Long As I Have Breath</i>	6
Closing Words & Extinguishing the Chalice		
Blues Postlude		Sabini/Sufka

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

Ministerial Intern: Sarah Skochko

Congregational Life Facilitator: Kimberly Wootan

Music Director: Brad Schultz

Pianist/Organist: Susanne Giordano

Guest Musicians: Jean Cottel, Valerie Elliott, Mary Marshall,
August Sabini & Dave Sufka

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. We wish to celebrate our youngest congregants. The presence of children is a gift to the Church and reminds us that our congregation is strong and growing! Please welcome our children and give a smile of encouragement to their parents. It is good to be together.

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 UU Challenge Jam and Meditation Jam with Kimberly Wootan and Connie Hirsch. The Middle School Meetup will consider this question: “How can we make a lasting difference in our communities and ensure that our efforts are sustainable?” 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. 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.

GETTING PAST OUCH! COVENANTAL REPAIR AND KEEPING – This topic will be the focus of the remaining two sets of a 2-session Adult Religious Education Program workshop, presented by the UUCE Board’s Covenantal Conversations Task Force. Learn how to Notice, Engage, and Transform non-covenantal behavior here and at home. Live our UUCE Mission: “Empowered by love, we transform ourselves and serve our world.” We recommend you take session 1 before session 2. If you miss one of the sessions from one set, you can take it when offered in a later set. Snacks and childcare will be available. Presenters will include Peter Powers, Dave DeCou, and Poppy Lochridge. Registration is recommended for the 2-session workshop sets today, April 29 (Session 1) and Sunday, May 6 (Session 2), as well as for Sunday, May 13 (Session 1) and Sunday May 20 (Session 2). You can register each Sunday outside of Room 5 or for questions and to register, contact Peter Powers, 541-484-6705.

CHALLENGING RACISM: PUTTING LOVE INTO ACTION – You are invited to join this new dynamic group. Unitarian Universalism is a covenantal faith, ever unfolding. Institutional racism has for too long been ignored and/or sidestepped, and the truth of the existence of racism within our own institution can no longer be ignored. As a people of faith, we must strive for justice, peace, and prosperity for all people. Together, we do this work to open hearts and minds to opportunities for justice, healing, and sustainable community. UUCE strives to be a sanctuary where all hands are truly held. We will meet today, April 29, from 12:30-2:30pm in Room 2 to discuss our budget and continue our “dry run” of the UUA’s Examining Whiteness curriculum. We will meet again on Sunday, May 6, from 12:30-2:30pm in Room 2. Steve Kuzma, kuzmaphoto@earthlink.net, 734-678-3732

WORSHIP



JOIN US FOR WORSHIP NEXT SUNDAY, MAY 6 – The worship theme for May will be “Centering.” You may have heard the word “decentering” used in conversations about privilege and justice, or in conversations about psychology and mindfulness. In either sense, decentering means looking at things from a different perspective than our ordinary one – which can be a useful spiritual practice. Decentering ourselves can give us a fresh look at the world. It can even help us become centered again, in positive ways. Ministerial Intern Sarah Skochko will be the speaker.

SPIRITJAM NEXT SUNDAY, MAY 6 – The topics will be announced.

MID-WEEK WORSHIP – All are welcome to attend this shorter, mid-week, intergenerational evening worship service on Wednesdays, from 7-7:30pm in the South Entry. This is another opportunity to worship for those who can't attend church on Sunday morning, as well as those in search of spiritual renewal during the week. The focus of the service will be sustaining our faith in everyday life, as we process current events through the lens of our religious movement. The service will include singing, storytelling, and a brief homily. Children are welcome! For more information, contact Ministerial Intern Sarah Skochko, intern@ueeugene.org, 541-686-2775x5.

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 May 1. For more information or to volunteer, visit the Earth EqUity table after the Sunday service or contact Berry Broadbent, EEFood@ueeugene.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, May 1 from 7-9pm. All are welcome. New attendees, please arrive at 6:30pm to be greeted. HCAO is a UUCE Justice Network sponsored volunteer organization. Kathy Filip, healthcare@uueugene.org, 248-891-9890.

EARTH EQUITY FOOD PROJECT COMMUNITY COURT JUSTICE PROGRAM – This month, we will meet on Friday, May 4, from 9-10:30am in the Kitchen to assemble lunches and then deliver them to the downtown Eugene Public Library, where the Community Court Justice Program is held. The recipients are very grateful for this service. In future months, we will meet on the second Friday. For questions or to volunteer, contact Berry Broadbent in the lobby at the Earth EqUuity Food Project table after the Sunday service, or at EEFood@uueugene.org, 541-344-9037 (call or text).

CHURCH WOMEN UNITED MAY FRIENDSHIP DAY LUNCH – All are invited to the May Friendship Day Lunch on Saturday, May 5, at 11:30am at First United Methodist Church, 1376 Olive Street, Eugene, 97401. The speaker will be Val Hoyle, former State Representative. Church Women United is an ecumenical movement that includes some UUCE folks. Ruth Duemler will distribute tickets in the Lobby after the UUCE Sunday service on April 29, or you can contact her at ruthduemler@gmail.com, 541-484-6145.

TEACHOUT: EARLY CHILDHOOD – This support group for parents and other family members of transgender and gender expansive children has three basic agreements: confidentiality, anonymity, and voluntary participation. The next meeting will be on Saturday, May 5, from 1-3pm in Room 5. Julie Heffernan, jheffern@uoregon.edu.

UU REFUGEE SANCTUARY PROJECT – All are welcome to our next meeting on Sunday, May 6, from 11:30am-12:30pm in Room 7. We will debrief the recent Bystander/Upstander Workshop and discuss plans for the June 8 reception for the "We are Neighbors" photo exhibition at the UUCE gallery. Connie Newman, refugees@uueugene.org, 541-543-1685.

ADMINISTRY

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 on Sunday, May 6 at 9:15am in Rev. Sydney's office. Membership Chair Erin Troberg, memb-chair@uueugene.org, 541-870-2054.

ORDINATION OF KIMBERLY WOOTAN – All are invited to celebrate the journey of Kimberly Wootan from Ministerial Intern to Ordained Minister. Come on Sunday, May 6 from 4-5:30pm for the Ordination Ceremony, and stay for the Reception at 5:30pm. Emmet Band, emmet.band@gmail.com, 707-327-9386.

AUCTION UPDATE – Thanks to all who made donations and purchases of services for the Summer of Love Services Auction and Dinner on April 7. We had fun and netted over \$13,000 for the church. It appears that the program that was used to send out statements has been blocked by some internet service providers. If you haven't yet received a statement for your donations or successful bids, please send an email to Dave DeCou, ddecou@comcast.net, to receive one. This step is important so that you will know what you purchased and the donor will know who to contact to complete the giving. Thank you.

REQUEST FOR INPUT ABOUT UUCE WEBSITE AND SOCIAL MEDIA – Recently, there has been some revision of the UUCE website, uueugene.org. We welcome your input regarding our website and our social media outlets (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, and YouTube). In particular, if you are connected with a church program, please review that web page for its content and for any updates that may be needed. Please send any comments to Business Manager Wayne Parker, bizmanager@uueugene.org. Thank you.

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 May 1 from 5:30-7:30pm, with Grace offered at 6pm. Lizzy Utterback, tuesdaypotluck@uueugene.org, 858-204-3938.

CONNECTING: LIFESPAN RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

COMMUNICION WORKSHOPS: CONVERSATIONS IN CONFLICT – Learn how to stay in dialogue with people you disagree with without retreating or dominating. All are welcome to attend this three-session series on Thursdays, May 3, 10, and 17 from 4-5:30pm in the Sanctuary. Katy Siepert, uucedre@gmail.com, 541-686-2775x2.

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 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 May 2. All are welcome. For more info, contact Debra Eichner, aceichner@msn.com, 541-731-5899.

MINDFUL PARENTING DISCUSSION GROUP – This group meets each week and provides community and support for those raising children. 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. We will be doing some mindful movement and/or yoga from 10-10:30am, so feel free to bring a mat and to wear yoga-friendly clothing. Of course, participation is optional and attendees are welcome to spend the time in meditation or reflection if they prefer. Fridays, from 10:00-11:30am in Room 2, with childcare in Room 1. Kelsey Khatter, mindfulparenting@uueugene.org, 541-505-1193.

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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: _____