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serve our world.*

Unitarian Universalist Church in Eugene

STEWARDSHIP

UUCE BOOK SALE STORAGE NEEDED – The UUCE Book Sale will occur on October 6 and 7, 2018. We need spaces to store books, music, CDs, DVDs, and videos until then. Please contact Judy Sawyer if you have space to store these items or need them picked up for storage. Thank you. Judy Sawyer, jsawyer712@comcast.net, 541-556-7776.

OPEN CHURCH WORK PARTY – Please join us each Tuesday morning from 9am to noon for continued work on our beautiful church. There is a whole list of things that need attention. Tools are provided. Sponsored by the Building and Grounds committee. Eric Swegles, bag@uueugene.org, 414-339-8156.

LANDSCAPING GATHERING – The gardening segment of the Building and Grounds Committee invites you to join us each Tuesday from 9am-noon to design, beautify, weed, and water our beloved church grounds. Tools and gloves are provided, or bring your favorites. Opportunities are available for all abilities. Saro Hendrickson, landscaping@uueugene.org, text 541-731-3366 or call 541-953-0708.

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.

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Worship Theme for July: Sacred Text

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UUCE Weekly Church Calendar, July 8 – 15, 2018

Sunday, 7/8

9:45-11:15am **Childcare: Infants and toddlers**, Room 4; **Preschool**, Room 3.
10:00-11:00am **Church Service**, Sanctuary, Social Hall.
10:00-11:15am **Summer Religious Education**, Sanctuary, Rm 3, Playground.
11:00am-noon **Information and Fundraising Tables**, Lo, SE.
11:00am-1:00pm **Sunday Social**, Social Hall.
11:15am-12:30pm **Disaster Preparedness Organizational Meeting**, Rm 1. Bob F.
11:30am-12:30pm **UU Refugee Sanctuary Project**, Rm 7. Connie Newman.
11:30am-1:30pm **Challenging Racism**, Rm 2. Steve Kuzma, 734-678-3732.

Monday, 7/9

6:00-7:30pm **Tears We Cannot Stop Book Group (Open)**, Rm 5. J M Stine.

Tuesday, 7/10

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, 7/11

10:00-11:00am **Moving Meditation**, C. **Childcare**, Rm 1. Barbara, 503-704-4105.
7:00-9:00pm **Open Men's Group**, Room 7. Emmet Band, 707-327-9386.

Thursday, 7/12

No open UUCE events listed.

Friday, 7/13

9:00-10:30am **Earth EqUUity Food Project Court Program**, K. Berry B.
6:30-8:30pm **The Artist's Way (Open)**, Rm 6. Lynzie Kronheim, 541-228-1033.

Saturday, 7/14

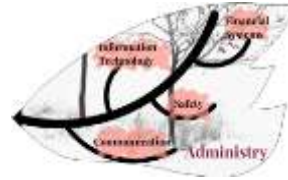
4:00pm **Memorial Service for Robin Thornton**, Off-site. Sue Craig.

Sunday, 7/15

9:45-11:15am **Childcare: Infants and toddlers**, Room 4; **Preschool**, Room 3.
10:00-11:00am **Church Service, Community Offering**, Sanctuary, Social Hall.
10:00-11:15am **Summer Religious Education**, Sanctuary, Rm 3, Playground.
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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



REV. KIMBERLY WOOTAN IS OUR TRANSITIONAL MINISTER THIS SUMMER – We are pleased that Rev. Kimberly Wootan is our transitional minister in July and August, covering the time from the leaving of Rev. Dr. Sydney Morris at the end of June and the arrival of Rev. Lois Van Leer, who officially starts in September. Rev.

Lois will have a two-week orientation with Rev. Kimberly at the end of August. Rev. Kimberly was the Ministerial Intern at UUCE in church year 2015-2016 and the Congregational Life Facilitator during church year 2017-2018. She was ordained here on May 6, 2018.

REV. LOIS VAN LEER WILL BE THE NEXT DEVELOPMENTAL MINISTER FOR UUCE –

The Board was delighted to make this announcement on May 27. She will arrive at UUCE on August 15 and have a two week overlap with our summer transitional minister, Rev. Kimberly Wootan. Information about Rev. Van Leer is available on her website, revlolo.com, and in the June newsletter. Barbara Kellogg, president@uueugene.org, 541-510-9795.

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES FOR NEWSLETTER EDITOR AND WEBSITE SUPPORT – We are seeking church volunteers who have the interest, skill set, and availability to participate collaboratively in the following opportunities to serve: 1. Content Editor for the UUCE Monthly *Connections* newsletter. 2. Helping with website support. If you or someone you know are interested, please contact Communications Task Force Chair Dick Loescher, communications@uueugene.org, 541-485-1157.

CONNECTING: LIFESPAN RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

MOVING MEDITATION – Moving Meditation (tai chi and chi gong fusion) will be continuing through the summer months. No experience or commitment is necessary. Come whenever it works for you. Each class is unique and designed to bring rest, relaxation and mindfulness. All people age twelve years old and up are invited. We meet every Wednesday in the Chapel from 10-11am. Childcare is available in Room 1. Barbara Flitcroft, barwood13@earthlink.net, 503-704-4105.

OUTREACH

EARTH EQUITY FOOD PROJECT COMMUNITY COURT LUNCH PROGRAM REQUEST – The Community Court Lunch Program received almost 200 donated bottles of water following last month’s request! Thank you all. We are currently in need of individual BAGS of CHIPS to be included in the lunches. Please leave your donations at the Earth EQUity Food table in the Lobby after the church service. Our next lunch making date is Friday, July 13, from 9-10:30am in the UUCE Kitchen. Berry Broadbent, EEFood@uueugene.org, at 541-344-9037 (call or text).

COMMUNITY OFFERING – The recipient of our Community Offering on Sunday, July 15 will be Imagination Library. The Eugene Chapter, sponsored by the Eugene Public Library Foundation, was formed in 2014, to help local children become “reading ready” by the time they start kindergarten. More information is available at imagination.eplfoundation.org. Phyllis O’Neill, community-offering@uueugene.org.

SEEKING UUS INTERESTED IN ADDRESSING GIRL TRAFFICKING – Kristina Jones is a UUCE member, life-long UU, music professional, and meditation teacher. She is seeking other UUs who might be interested in working with her on addressing girl trafficking in Eugene. Kristina has been working as a volunteer in the field for 25 years, beginning in Kathmandu, Nepal, where she co-founded the first 501c3 organization in the country and built a safe house. Since then she has worked in Portland, Oregon with various agencies and First Unitarian Church of Portland on this issue. She has been in Eugene for the past 2 ½ years and now wants to find others to work with her locally to combat this terrible tragedy. If you are interested or have questions, please contact Kristina Jones, bkristinajones22@gmail.com, 503-880-5086.

DONATION CART FOR OCCUPY MEDICAL, FIRST PLACE FAMILY CENTER, AND WHITEBIRD CLINIC – Warm weather does not solve the problems of people living on the street. Lists of needed items are on the cart near the Kitchen. Thank you. Ruth Duemler, ruthduemler@gmail.com, 541-484-6145. John Roy Wilson, jrw45@comcast.net, 541-687-6728.

WORSHIP

JOIN US FOR WORSHIP NEXT SUNDAY, JULY 15 – The worship theme for July is “Sacred Text.” The UUCE Worship Associates will conduct the service.

ORDER OF SERVICE

Rev. Kimberly Wootan
July 8, 2018

Gathering Music	<i>Butterfly</i>	Edvard Grieg
Hymn Sing		
Interlude	<i>Firefly</i>	Rob Colley
Welcome		
Introit/Prelude	<i>Brother Sun, Sister Moon</i>	Donovan
Call to Worship & Lighting of the Chalice		
Opening Hymn	<i>We Give Thanks</i>	1010
Community of All Ages		
Children’s Recessional		
Offertory	<i>Deep River</i>	Bradley Sowash
Prayer		
Hymn	<i>There is More Love Somewhere</i>	95
Reading		
Anthem	<i>Make Me an Instrument</i>	Temple
Sermon	<i>Parable of the Sower</i>	
Closing Hymn	<i>When the Spirit Says Do</i>	1024
Closing Words & Extinguishing the Chalice		
Postlude	<i>Siyahamba</i>	Mark Sedio

Minister: Rev. Kimberly Wootan
Ministerial Intern: Sarah Skochko
Worship Associate: Robin Schantz-Mulford
Music Director/Pianist: Brad Schultz
Guest Musician: Nancy Willard
Director of Lifespan Religious Education: Katy Siepert, CLRE

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.

SUMMER RELIGIOUS EDUCATION (RE) – This summer, the RE program will focus on inclusiveness and outdoor games, as much as the weather will allow. Children of kindergarten age and older will start in the Sanctuary for the first part of the church service, then go to Room 3 when the children are sung out about 10:15am for time in Room 3 and on the Playground. Please pick them up after the church service by 11:15am. Infants and toddlers will still be in Room 4 as usual. Ezra Black, UUCE Religious Education Assistant, uucere.assist@uueugene.org, 541-686-2775x2.

INFORMATION AND FUNDRAISING TABLES – Earth EquUity Food Project, Fair Trade Coffee Cart, Justice Network, Kindness Team Greeting Card Project, UU Refugee Sanctuary 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.

UUCE DISASTER PREPAREDNESS GROUP – This group is being formed to prepare the UUCE building and congregation for surviving a disaster such as an earthquake. We need supplies for people trapped in the building and a network of support from the community and disaster organizations. We also need plans for how to become a community shelter for those whose houses are not habitable. All are welcome to attend an organizational meeting today, July 8, or next Sunday, July 15, from 11:15am-12:30pm in Room 1. We will discuss plans for organizing, building networks, arranging for speakers, and educating the congregation. Bob Fraley, fraley@acm.org, 650-387-7289.

UU REFUGEE SANCTUARY PROJECT – All are welcome to meet with us today, July 8, from 11:30am-12:30pm in Room 7. The agenda will include action against ICE practices and detainment in Oregon, the migrant family separation policy, and the proposed repeal of Oregon's Sanctuary laws through measure IP22. Connie Newman, refugees@uueugene.org, 541-543-1685.

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. Together, we do this work to open hearts and minds to opportunities for justice, healing, and sustainable community. At our meeting today, July 8, from 11:30am-1:30pm in Room 2, we will discuss any needed updates to our current work and, if time allows and in preparation for a Small Group Ministry program in the fall, go over Topic 5 (“White Power and Privilege”) of the UUA's anti-racism curriculum. See uua.org/racial-justice/curricula/whiteness/facilitators to access the materials. Steve Kuzma, kuzmaphoto@earthlink.net, 734-678-3732.

CONNECTING

MEMORIAL SERVICE FOR ROBIN THORNTON – The memorial service for former UUCE member Robin Thornton will be on Saturday, July 14, at 4pm at the graveside, Mount Calvary Cemetery, 220 Crest Drive, Eugene, OR 97405. Sue Craig, sueacraig@gmail.com, 541-407-0204.

CELEBRATION OF LIFE FOR CANDEE COLE SUNDAY, JULY 29 – Candee Cole previously served as the Director of Religious Education at UUCE for many years. We will host a Celebration of Life for her on her birthday with a service, potluck dinner, and party with a Halloween theme to honor her playful spirit and favorite holiday! Please bring a potluck dish, wear a costume if desired, and let us know if you will need child care. Sunday, July 29, 4-9pm in the Sanctuary, Social Hall, Kitchen, and Chapel. Charlotte Writer, cd_writer@msn.com, 541-935-1170.

COMMUNITY ART GALLERY – In July, we are hosting the artwork of UUCE member Megan Dorrah. Megan is a local artist who works with oil paint, pastels, photography, and fiber art. This month she is presenting her series of paintings, *Meditating Ladies*. Megan prefers a hands-on approach to create these paintings, often using her fingers to blend oil paint sticks, oil pastels, soft pastels, pastel pencils, and lacquers. The women depicted in the paintings are holding positive thoughts and good intentions, and are especially wishing to provide a calming strength for those who are suffering from loss or fear. Scott Hovis, gallery@uueugene.org, 541-359-9890.

FOURTH ANNUAL ALL-COMERS SHOW FOR COMMUNITY ART GALLERY – This event will take place in September 2018. Everyone is invited to submit one ready-to-hang photo for display. This year's theme is “Motion/Movement.” Scott Hovis, gallery@uueugene.org, 541-731-3412.

UUCE BIRDERS – We meet on Tuesday mornings from 8-10am for birdwatching and breakfast. Please join us! Contact Mike Berg, forthebirds@uueugene.org, 541-357-3145 to learn where we will meet each week.