

# UUCE Connections

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# UUCE Minister



As I start my second and last month as your minister, I am so happy to see how much we have accomplished together. Organizing the kitchen and figuring out some of the IT glitches are just some of the ways we are getting ready for your new minister. As we move deeper into the latest transition for this community, I know that each group will be thinking of ways to say “Hello” that are meaningful and fun. So, if you have a good idea, drop me a line.....

Our August worship theme is humor. No one likes to have pie throw in their face, but humor is an important element of being human. I remember the first time each of my children laughed, and it still warms my heart when I see it emerge in other babies.

As summer moves to its fruition, let us explore how humor plays a part in our spiritual lives.

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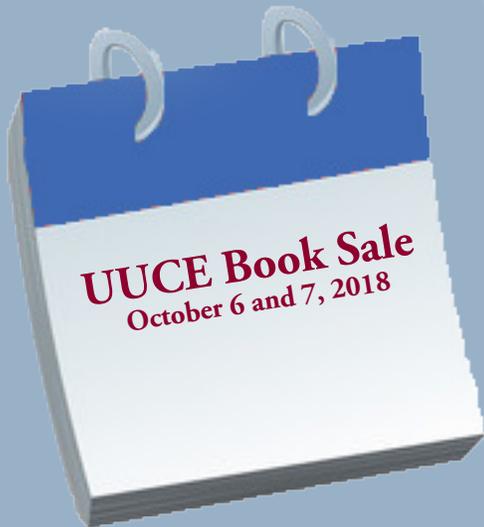
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# UUUCE Calendar



# UUCE Worship



I started out playing violin and loving Mozart. My teacher was Ed Simons, and you can learn all you need to know about him Googling or YouTubing “Ed Simons, the world’s oldest conductor.” My older cousin Tony came to live with us when I was 13 and would play jazz stations on our new FM radio.

I was fortunate to have the ear to appreciate Monk, Miles, Horace Silver, Paul Desmond et al. Being in the throws puberty, I was also in the thrall of Rachmaninov.

Thanks to Motown, the popular music of the time was heavily influenced by blues and gospel, and it moved me. When my friend asked me to play bass in his blues band, I got turned on to the Memphis and Chicago blues people and the funk of James Brown. Jazz was always there too.

When I was living in a Dorm for state hospital workers. I was living in a Black neighbourhood. Loving the soul music of Aretha Franklin and the funky jazz of Horace Silver helped to form the friendships I had there. Experiencing the American justice system with my friends was a shock to my already shaky mental health, but in my pain and confusion, it was the widening harmonic and tonal study and spiritual searching of saxophone players like John Coltrane and Pharaoh Sanders that induced me to buy a saxophone. Sax worked for me then, because I could pour all that pain and confusion through it. It was a little hard for my neighbours to handle that, but it was going to be hard for them to handle my craziness one way or the other.

I have come to believe that folk music evolves into classical music. Mozart played a lot of dances in his day, and so did Duke Ellington, but their ears and their technique demanded more of them. So European classical music developed and American classical music is finally getting the respect it deserves. I haven’t developed the technique of Classical players, but I can play soul music, rhythm and blues, and blues okay, and if I can play in church for You all, that’s even better.

August Sabini



The minister and Harry Potter (Holy Scripture)

# UUCE Worship



performed at UUCE  
Worship on July 11



First Methodist Church Bells  
performed July 29

# UUCE Outreach

## Garden at UUCE Needs Volunteers



Have you ever strolled around the lovely grounds at UUCE? There's everything from fruit and flowers to vegetables for the Conestoga residents and Indian corn for decorations for our sanctuary.

Starting in mid-August, the garden can use your help with watering and weeding, pruning and design. We have regular Tuesday morning work parties with opportunities for all physical abilities, and we are happy to work with you at the time of your choice!

Please volunteer whether just once or on a regular basis. Contact Saro Hendrickson and Gretchen Miller, [landscaping@uueugene.org](mailto:landscaping@uueugene.org). Or text Saro at 541-731-3366.

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# UUUCE Outreach

Oregon Voices for Justice –2018 Annual Meeting  
 September 15, Saturday, in Oregon City  
 UU Congregation at Willamette Falls



- 9:30 am Register** –\$30, \$20 for youth,  
 Scholarships available  
 Coffee/Tea, Fruit/Pastry
- 10:00 am Welcome and Chalice Lighting**  
 Reverend Marcia Stanard
- 10:15 am Update on Oregon UU Voices for Justice**  
 Kathleen McKinney, Board Chair
- 10:30 am Panel, Our Children Our Future**  
**Our Children's Trust --Climate**  
 (Environmental Justice)  
**DACA --Immigration**  
 (Economic Inequality, Human Rights)  
**Gun Safety/School Safety --**  
**March for our Lives**  
 (Human Rights)  
 How did you focus on this justice issue? Why do  
 you keep doing it? What renews and inspires you?  
 What challenges and successes have you had? What  
 do you see as the future? How may OUUVfj  
 Participate and bring synergy to this justice mission.
- 11:50 am Sing, Come, Come Whoever You Are**
- 11:45 am Lunch**—Gluten Free, Vegetarian
- 12:30 pm Session Break Outs with facilitator  
 and panel presenters**  
 Environmental Justice  
 Economic Inequality  
 Human Rights
- 2:45 pm Break**
- 3:00 pm Reports from Break Out Sessions**
- 3:40 pm Sing, Blue Boat Home**
- 3:45 pm How OUUVfj will continue to support  
 UU Congregations, UUs!**
- 4:00 pm Closing Words – OUUVfj Board Members**

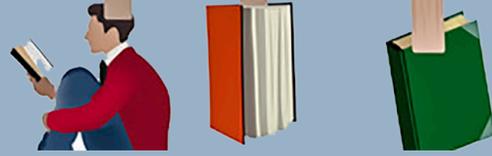


# UUUCE Outreach

## Attention All Book Sale Fans

October 6 and 7, 2018.

If you have books, sheet music, CDs, DVDs and videos for the sale that you cannot store until then, OR if you have space to store them, please contact Judy Sawyer at [jsawyer712@comcast.net](mailto:jsawyer712@comcast.net), or 541-556-7776. ALSO let her or Sue Craig ([sueacraig@gmail.com](mailto:sueacraig@gmail.com)) know if you will be able to help set up or work during the sale. It's fun!



## Oregon State New, Leased & Used Electric Car Tax Credits 2018



Now is the time if you were thinking about turning that second family car into a new, leased or used electric vehicle. Here on the west coast we are surrounded with electric car options in the new, leased and used market.

**Oregon is offering up to a \$2,500 tax credit**



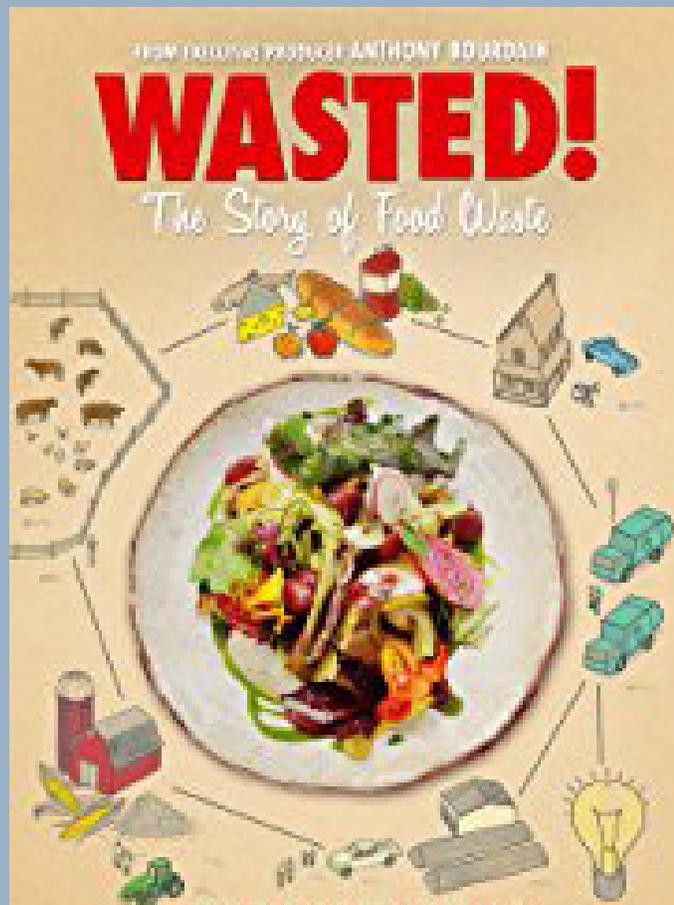
## Oregon Tax Credit info

[www.oregon.gov/deq/aq/programs/Pages/ZEV-Rebate.apx](http://www.oregon.gov/deq/aq/programs/Pages/ZEV-Rebate.apx)

Or Google

## Oregon 2018 Tax Credit for EV Cars

# UUCE Outreach



## Film Wasted

August 10, 7:00 pm  
Central Lutheran Church  
1857 Potter Street  
Eugene, OR 97403

Paul Hawken's book **Drawdown** presents solutions to reverse the global warming trend. These solutions are ranked by the "total amount of greenhouse gases they can potentially avoid or remove from the atmosphere." Number three is food waste, something that we all can work on.

"A third of the food raised or prepared does not make it from farm or factory to fork....The food we waste contributes 4.4 gigatons of carbon dioxide into the atmosphere each year." So what does this number really mean? "Ranked with countries, food would be the third-largest emitter of greenhouse gases globally, just behind the United States and China." (Quotes from the book **Drawdown**)

Some things to consider. Grocery stores throw away imperfect, but still edible produce. Restaurant meal servings are often too large. Sell by and Best by labels are unregulated designations and relate mostly to taste rather than the safety of eating the food.

Think about your food buying and using practices. Are there areas you could change? Could you order differently in restaurants or make sure you get a take-home box? Do you need help in learning how to cut down on your food waste?

Help is on the way! Come view the film **Wasted** on August 10. See more information below. And thanks to you as you begin to reduce food waste and in turn reduce carbon dioxide emissions.

The film **Wasted**, sponsored by Eugene Interfaith Earthkeepers, will be shown at Central Lutheran Church. The film features several chefs including the late Anthony Bourdain, and shows new ways to buy, cook, eat and recycle food that will help create a more secure food system and help reduce carbon dioxide emissions. The film will be shown at 7:00 with popcorn served starting at 6:30. Enter by the east parking lot door. Admission is free, but donations for the That's My Farmer low income fund will be accepted.

Eugene Interfaith Earthkeeper

# UUCE Outreach

## Third Sunday Community Offering for August



The recipient of our Community Offering on August 19th is Shelter Animal Resource Alliance (S.A.R.A.), a local organization dedicated to removing animals from shelters where they might otherwise face euthanasia. While in care at S.A.R.A., sheltered cats and dogs are provided with a safe and comfortable living space, all necessary medical treatment, high-quality food, and ample love and attention until they can be adopted. To carry out their life-saving mission, Shelter Animal Resource Alliance relies on volunteers, community donations, and sales from their thrift store, Sara's Treasures, where you can find gently used clothes, jewelry, furniture, and collectibles. S.A.R.A. greatly appreciates our support!

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### Food for Lane County Food Rescue Night Thursday August 23th, 6:30-8:30 pm Food for Lane County facility at 770 Bailey Hill Rd

Did you know that 36% of food box recipients water down their food or drinks to make them last longer? Here's one way you can help. We meet to repackage food donated to those in our community who are experiencing food insecurity. Volunteers must be at least 14 years old OR 12-13 if accompanied by an adult. Wear a hat/ponytail and closed toe shoes. Contact Berry Broadbent, Justice Network, at 541-344-9037 or hunger@uueugene.org OR JUST SHOW UP!

Don't forget our FFLC donation barrel at church, which is now located across from room #1 at UUCE.



# UUCE Outreach



UUCE Kindness Team

## Greeting Card Project

Do you know someone who is housebound, sick, in the hospital, or suffering a personal loss, who you know would welcome a supportive card signed by our congregational members? If so, let one of our team (Charlotte Writer, Jean Marie Stine or Frankie Hill) know.

In kindness, please sign the card/s below to help cheer UUCE congregants going through times of difficulty or distress.

You're also welcome to send a supportive or celebratory card of your own to a member of the congregation and/or staff. If you add the recipient's name to the envelope and leave it in the basket, we can address and send it to them.

—Greeting Card Team

# UUCE Outreach

## Art Gallery Welcomes David Ivan Piccioni

I use leaves and flowers, because, without them, photosynthesis wouldn't be carried out and we'd have no air to breathe. I choose to use natural objects that are already in existence and which's shape I don't need to change. My input, however, is seen in the positioning and overlapping of the plant parts.

[davidivanpiccioni.wordpress.com](http://davidivanpiccioni.wordpress.com)



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