

Weekly Church Calendar and Announcements

Unitarian Universalist Church in Eugene

November 25, 2018



Worship Theme for November: Memory

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ORDER OF SERVICE
Sunday, November 25, 2018

Gathering Song	<i>Snowfall</i> by Liz Story; Susanne Giordano
Welcome	August Sabini
Musical Invocation	<i>Morning Has Broken</i> by Cat Stevens; All-Comers Choir, Music Director Brad Schultz
Call to Worship	
Chalice Lighting	Sarah Skochko
Opening Hymn	#361 <i>Enter, Rejoice and Come In</i>
Story for All Ages	
SpiritJam Recessional	
Reading	
Hymn	#336 <i>All My Memories of Love</i>
Sermon	<i>The Sacredness of Memory</i>
Hymn	#1011 <i>Return Again</i>
Meditation	
Musical Interlude	<i>Memory</i> , from <i>CATS</i> by Andrew Lloyd Webber
Offering	
Offertory	<i>Remembering</i> by Carson Cooman
Words of Gratitude	
Closing Hymn	#356 <i>Will You Seek In Far-Off Places?</i>
Chalice Extinguishing & Benediction	
Postlude	<i>The Homecoming</i> by John Tesh

UUCE Weekly Church Calendar, Nov. 25 – Dec. 2, 2018

Sunday, 11/25

9:00-10:00am **All-Comer's Choir (Open)**, Choir Loft. Brad Schultz.
9:45-11:15am **Childcare: Infants and toddlers**, Room 4; **Preschool**, Room 3.
10:00-11:00am **Church Service**, Sanctuary, Social Hall.
10:00-11:30am **SpiritJam: RE for People of All Ages**, S, Rms 1, 2, 5, 6, 7.
11:00am-noon **Information and Fundraising Tables**, Lobby, Social Hall.
11:00am-1:00pm **Sunday Social**, Social Hall.
11:15am-12:15pm **Faith Forward: Inquirers**, Chapel. Rev. Lois Van Leer.
11:30am-1:00pm **Middle School Group**, Room 1. Katy Siepert. 541-686-2775x2.
11:30am-1:00pm **High School Youth Group**, Rm 7. Katy Siepert.

Monday, 11/26

Noon-1:30pm **Book Group: *Tears We Cannot Stop***, Room 2. Steve Kuzma.

Tuesday, 11/27

10:00am **UU Birders**, Off-site. Mike Berg, 541-357-3145. 8:00-
9:00am-noon **Open Church Building Work Party**. Eric Swegles, 414-339-8156.
2:00-4:00pm **Quilting for a Cause**, Room 6. Barbara Flitcroft, 503-704-4105.
6:00-8:00pm **UUCE Board (Open)**, SH. Lizzy Utterback, 858-204-3938.

Wednesday, 11/28

5:00-8:30pm **Choir Childcare**, Rooms 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.
7:00-9:00pm **Open Men's Group**, Room 7. Emmet Band, 707-327-9386.

Thursday, 11/29 No open UUCE events listed.

Friday, 11/30 No open UUCE events listed.

Saturday, 12/1

9:00am-4:00pm **Holiday Bazaar**, S, SH, C, K, Rms 6, 7. Judy Shaw.

Sunday, 12/2

9:45-11:15am **Childcare: Infants and toddlers**, Room 4; **Preschool**, Room 3.
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11:30am-12:30pm **UU Refugee Sanctuary Project**, Rm 6. Connie Newman.
11:30am-1:00pm **Middle School Group**, Room 1. Katy Siepert.
11:30am-1:00pm **High School Youth Group**, Rm 7. Katy Siepert, 541-686-2775x2.
11:30am-1:00pm **Soul Matters**, Room 5. Katy Siepert.

Legend: C=Chapel; Cmte=Committee; EE=East Entrance; JN=Justice Network; K=Kitchen; Lib=Library; Lo=Lobby; MO=Minister's Office; O=Outside; P=Playground; RE=Religious Education; Rm=Room; S=Sanctuary; SE=South Entry; SH=Social Hall

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.

ALL-COMERS CHOIR – Today, Nov. 25, come to the choir loft at 9am and learn an easy anthem for this morning's service. This is a great "low stakes" opportunity to sing together. No dress code, no extra rehearsals, and you can sit where you like for most of the service. Brad Schultz, ueugenemusic@gmail.com, 541-686-2775x4.

SPIRITJAM: RELIGIOUS EDUCATION FOR PEOPLE OF ALL AGES – The topics today will be announced. We start in the Sanctuary at 10am, then leave for the classrooms when the children are sung out at about 10:15am. Parents, please pick up your children at 11:15am. Katy Siepert, Director of Lifespan Religious Education, uucedre@gmail.com, 541-686-2775x2.

INFORMATION AND FUNDRAISING TABLES – Earth EquUity Food Project, Fair Trade Coffee Cart, Holiday Bazaar, Interfaith Shelter Week Committee, Justice Network, Kindness Team Greeting Card Project, Soul Matters Discussion Group Registration. 11am-noon, Lobby and Social Hall.

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 and Unitarian Universalist principles. The series 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 will be "Faith Development: Adult and Children's Programs." Rev. Lois Van Leer, Ivanleer@uuma.org, 541-686-2775x1.

OUTREACH

QUILTING FOR A CAUSE – This group is open to everyone. Quilting experience is not required, just enthusiasm and willingness to be put to work. We meet on the 2nd and 4th Tuesday of each month in Room 6 from 2-4pm. The next session will be on November 27. Barbara Flitcroft, barwood13@earthlink.net, 503-704-4105.

UU REFUGEE SANCTUARY PROJECT – At our next meeting we will discuss our ongoing work on behalf of refugees, asylees, and immigrants in our community, across the state, and beyond. All are welcome. Sunday, Dec. 2, from 11:30am-12:30pm in Room 6. Connie Newman, refugees@ueugene.org, 541-543-1685.

OUTREACH (CONT.)

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL HOLIDAY FOOD DRIVE – Look for the holiday barrel in the hallway through Sunday, December 16. Requested items include broth, gravy, canned olives, canned vegetables, canned yams/sweet potatoes, canned pumpkin, protein such as tuna and peanut butter, soups with protein, and treats/desserts. No glass containers, please. Berry Broadbent, EEFood@uueugene.org, 541-344-9037.

SIGN UP FOR INTERFAITH SHELTER WEEK – This year we'll be serving up to 20 families in need at St. Vincent de Paul's night shelter, which is now located at 4060 West Amazon, Drive, Eugene. Our dates of service will be Monday, January 7 through Monday, January 14, 2019. See Nov. *Connections* newsletter for more info.

1) Please use <http://signup.com/go/KrVdazw> to sign up to bring food and/or volunteer onsite. You can also sign up at church on Sundays at our table.

2) **Please complete a volunteer application ASAP** if you plan to volunteer onsite at the shelter in any capacity (food service, kitchen help, hospitality). Applications can be picked up at the Interfaith Shelter Week table in the Lobby or downloaded at www.svdp.us/get-involved/volunteer/, via the link "First Place Night Shelter (Annex Building) Volunteers." Return completed applications to our table or to any UUCE Annex Team member, identified by red "Ask Me" ribbons.

3) We will need one person each shift with a Food Handler's Certificate. Please consider getting one of these certificates, which lasts for three years, at www.orfoodhandlers.com/eMain.aspx?State=Oregon.

Thank you! Barb Prentice, barbprentice1@gmail.com, 541-302-8151.

CHALLENGING RACISM COMMITTEE PRESENTS EXAMINING WHITENESS: A UUA ANTI-RACISM CURRICULUM – This eight-part curriculum explores: Racism and white supremacy throughout American history; Race "science" and white supremacy; The racial identity journey of the UUA; White power and privilege; Racial identity development; The emotional lives of white people; The anatomy of white guilt; Developing a positive white identity. See www.uua.org/racial-justice/curricula/whiteness for more info. Join us for this learning experience, with trained facilitators leading discussions about this course material from the UUA. We will form two small groups: One on a weekday evening and one on a weekday afternoon. Each group will meet twice a month for four months beginning in January 2019. Please fill out a registration form available at church. Steve Kuzma, skuzmaphoto@icloud.com, 734-678-3732.

FAIR TRADE COFFEE CART GIFT SUGGESTIONS – Holiday shopping suggestion: Help UUCE and Help the World. Fair Trade organic coffees, teas, chocolates and cocoa make the perfect gift for your socially conscious friends. UUCE receives part of the sales price and your gift helps support small farm growers around the world through direct trade via Equal Exchange. Visit the UUCE Fair Trade Coffee Cart every Sunday after the service to make your purchase. Free gift wrap provided. Look for us at our new location near the north entrance. Laramie Palmer, coffeecart@uueugene.org, 541-343-6536.

STEWARDSHIP

HARVEST ONLINE AUCTION – Our auction is in full swing through December 2, and so many items are waiting for your bid. Shout out to families: there are a few items especially made for you. Be sure to check them out! To register to bid, send a message to auction@uueugene.org. If you do not have a computer, you can get help with bidding after church at the Harvest Holidays Events table.

HARVEST HOLIDAYS BAZAAR – The Harvest Holidays Bazaar is just around the corner on Saturday, December 1 from 9am-4pm. All of those wonderful handmade crafts, home-made foods and items for “regifting” can be brought to church up through today, Sunday, November 25. Place them in the collection box outside of Sarah Skochko’s office. We are still in need of volunteers: invite a friend to join you and stick around for the fun after your shift! Thank you. Sign-up link: www.signupgenius.com/go/508094fada628a1fb6-holiday. Please send questions to bazaar@uueugene.org.

PLEDGE FOR OUR FUTURE – Hello, I am Dave DeCou, Pledge Secretary for UUCE. I am enjoying our new church, our great services, and our thriving and growing community. I have noticed that there have been few new pledges since the church year started in July 2018. Pledging is the largest source of funds to keep our church functioning. If anyone new to our church or recently returned would like to pledge for the current fiscal year 2018-19, there are always pledge forms available on the wall near the North (Main) Entrance on the right as you come in. Just fill one out, sign it, and place it in the drop box to the left of the office door. For questions, please contact me at pledges@uueugene.org or 541-513-5360. Thank you.

HELP US GROW, GIVE ELECTRONICALLY – There are now two new ways to give. Electronic gifts are fast and secure, and they reduce administrative costs, allowing more of every dollar to fund the important work we are called to do. Give anytime, anywhere. Schedule and manage recurring donations, make one-time donations, or pay for events, programs and activities. Make donations using a debit/credit card or checking/savings account.

If you would like to give electronically, visit our website, download the GivePlus Church App, or simply text 541-625-1452 with a dollar amount to get started. For any questions, contact Jen Dondero, accounting@uueugene.org, 541-686-2775x6.

WORSHIP

JOIN US FOR WORSHIP NEXT SUNDAY, DECEMBER 2 – The speaker and topic will be announced.

JOIN US FOR SPIRITJAM NEXT SUNDAY, DECEMBER 2 – The topics will be announced.

CONNECTING

KINDNESS TEAM REQUEST: OPPORTUNITY TO SERVE –The Kindness team is looking for a few new members. We are here to offer a helping hand in times of medical and social need. We go into homes as companions, offer transportation to appointments and companions for short-stay surgery, do light housekeeping, and arrange for meals in times of stress, illness, or disability. People joining our team need to be members of UUCE for one year, willing to have a security clearance, and able to attend the orientation and update session on Thursday, December 13 from 6-9pm in Room 2. Current members, please bring your folders for updated materials. Charlotte Writer, cd_writer@msn.com, 541-935-1170.

NAME TAGS – Name tags on the kiosk have been rearranged roughly in alphabetical order by last names. We (your Lay Pastoral Associates) are trying to keep track of all our wonderful members and friends, and hope to notice when someone disappears for a period of time. We want to be there for you in difficult times, but we don't always know when you are in need. Name tags also help us get to know each other and help our new minister know us. Please wear your name tags and return them to the basket on the Welcome Table rather than putting them back on the kiosk. The tags will be returned to the kiosk during the week. If you don't have a name tag, please request one at the welcome table. Thank you. Sally DeCou, Lay Pastoral Associate, sdecou@comcast.net, 541-514-3944.

COMMUNITY ART GALLERY – In November, we feature the artwork of local artist Larena Cornell. More info is in the November *Connections* newsletter. Her artwork is for sale. Scott Hovis, gallery@uueugene.org, 541-731-3412.

YOUNG ADULTS OF UUCE – The young adults of UUCE have formed a group for people age 18-30ish! We hope to hang out together, do fun things, talk about interesting theology, possibly make crafts, and potentially go camping. You can join the Young Adults of UUCE group on Facebook, or email Intern@uueugene.org.

CONNECTING: LIFESPAN RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

SOUL MATTERS – Join us in small group discussions that are designed to help you engage more deeply with the sermons, readings, and other thematic material being discussed in our church throughout each month. A skilled facilitator will lead the group, giving you space and time to “dig more deeply.” Bring your curiosity, your questions, and your open mind. November's theme: “Memory” (meeting on Sunday, December 2 from 11:30am-1pm in Room 5). December's theme: “Mystery” (meeting on Sunday, December 16 from 11:30am-1pm in Room 5). Sign up in the Lobby or online, <https://goo.gl/forms/N2HkUieQGkRX5tSN2>. Drop-in attendance is also welcome. Katy Siefert, uucedre@gmail.com, 541-686-2775x2.

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