

Weekly Church Calendar and Announcements

Unitarian Universalist Church in Eugene

May 26, 2019



Worship Theme for May: Curiosity

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ORDER OF SERVICE

Sunday, May 26, 2019

Prelude	<i>Allemande</i> , Henri Dumont; Pianist Susanne Giordano
Welcome & Call to Worship	Intern Minister Sarah Skochko
Chalice Lighting	Worship Associate Taylor Rutledge
Opening Hymn	#361 <i>Enter, Rejoice, and Come in</i>
The Story	Sarah Skochko
SpiritJam Recessional	
Meditation	
Meditation Response	#1013 <i>Open My Heart</i>
Reading	From <i>The Life and Times of the Thunderbolt Kid</i> , Bill Bryson
Homily	<i>Curiosity as Survival</i> ; Sarah Skochko
Hymn	#338 <i>I Seek the Spirit of a Child</i>
Reading	<i>Worm Day</i> , Raquel Alderete
Homily	<i>Curiosity as Love</i> ; Dir. of Lifespan Religious Ed. Katy Siepert
Musical Response	
Offering	Taylor Rutledge
Offertory	<i>Basse de Trompette & Musette</i> , Michel Corrette; Susanne Giordano
Words of Gratitude	
Closing Hymn	#1057 <i>Go Lifted Up</i>
Closing Words & Chalice Extinguishing	
Postlude	<i>La Gaillarde</i> , Christoph Nichelmann; Susanne Giordano

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.

SPIRITJAM: RELIGIOUS EDUCATION FOR PEOPLE OF ALL AGES – 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.

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

ACCESSIBILITY MEETING – This is an open meeting time for folks in our congregation with disabilities to meet up, socialize, share concerns and hopes, and collaborate to make our congregation even more accessible and welcoming to all. Sunday, May 26, 11:15-11:45am in the South Foyer. Jones David Hollister, jo@robarthq.net, 541-999-2957.

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! The topic on Sunday, May 26 will be “Social Action and Community Service.” Rev. Lois Van Leer, Ivanleer@uuma.org, 541-686-2775x1.

UU EARTH ACTION – All are welcome to attend the next meeting of this multigenerational group as we seek to address the important issues impacting our planet. Sunday, May 26 from 11:30am-12:30pm in Room 5. Sue Craig, sueacraig@gmail.com, 541-607-0204.

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 that are 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. Sunday, May 26, from 11:30am-12:30pm in Room 2. The topic will be “Curiosity.” Katy Siepert, uucedre@gmail.com, 541-686-2775x2.

HAPPENING TODAY (CONT.)

REQUEST FOR HOST FAMILIES FOR INTERNATIONAL EXCHANGE STUDENTS – For the past 27 years, American Discovery has been bringing French and Spanish high-school aged students to stay with families in Eugene for just a few weeks in the summer. The program is currently looking for short-term host families. It's a great way to make cultural connections, foster global understanding, and make a friend from another country. Many families keep in touch with their students far after the short stay is over, and many students invite their host families to come visit them in France and Spain. The dates currently available are: Spanish 6/29 – 7/24, French 7/13 – 7/31, French 7/12 – 8/1, and French 7/30 – 8/16. To learn more, come to an information session on Sunday, May 26 from 11:30am-12:30pm in the Sanctuary. You can also contact Ashley Franckowiak, 971-930-0603 (text or call), ashley@americandiscovery.net, or visit www.americandiscovery.net.

WORSHIP

JOIN US FOR WORSHIP NEXT SUNDAY, JUNE 2 – “Finding Beauty in a Broken World.” If we are to talk about beauty, we need to also talk about brokenness for that beauty to have any basis in reality. Rev. Lois Van Leer.

CALLING ALL MUSICIANS FOR SUMMER WORSHIP SERVICES – We need your musical talents to enhance the worship services during the months of June, July, and August when the choirs are not in session. If you sing or play an instrument and would like to offer up your talents in worship this summer, we would love to hear from you. See Director of Music Brad Schultz or a member of the Music Committee. ueugenemusic@gmail.com, 541-686-2775x4.

CONNECTING: LIFESPAN RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

HARRY POTTER AND THE SACRED TEXT – We read and discuss the books we love, looking deeper into the texts for their sacred meaning. We meet off-site every two weeks on Wednesday evenings from 5:30-7pm, with the next meeting on May 29. Contact Debra Eichner for the meeting location and topic: aceichner@msn.com, 541-731-5899.

MOVING MEDITATION – This class is a fusion of tai chi and Qigong. The purpose is to create a space of rest and relaxation by incorporating actions with breath, and thus, energy through our bodies. Seated relaxation activities and scenarios are also utilized. There are no memorizing or sequencing movements. Each class is unique. A chair is utilized at the beginning and end of each class. One can stay in the chair as much as desired. We will not be getting on the floor. No special equipment is necessary, just comfortable clothes. Shoes are optional. The class is open, free, and occurs every Wednesday, from 10-11am in the Chapel. Barbara Flitcroft, barwood13@earthlink.net, 503-704-4105.

ADMINISTRY

PROGRESS REPORT FROM REV. LO – Rev. Lo had knee replacement surgery recently and will be on medical leave until an expected return to the church office on Monday, June 3. She is recuperating well and appreciates the care, support, and well wishes that she has received.

REQUEST FOR PHOTOS – If you have photos of this year's church activities that you are willing to share, please forward them as soon as possible (no later than May 31) to Barbara Kellogg, president@uueugene.org, for potential showing during the Annual Meeting on Sunday, June 2.

UUCE ANNUAL MEETING SUNDAY, JUNE 2 – All congregants are encouraged to attend the Annual Meeting on Sunday, June 2 from 11:30am-1:30pm in the Sanctuary. A quorum is needed to vote on the 2019-2020 budget, proposed bylaws changes, and for candidates for the Board of Trustees and the Leadership Development Committee. View the budget, and proposed changes on our website at uueugene.org, under the ADMINISTRY tab. To vote, a member must have made a financial contribution of record in the previous 12 months. Snacks and childcare will be provided. Barbara Kellogg, kellogg89@gmail.com, 541-510-9795.

PLEASE NOTIFY OFFICE OF ANY CHANGE IN MEETING SCHEDULE OVER THE SUMMER – If your group will have any change in the web calendar listing of its usual meeting schedule during the summer, please send an email to describe the changes. Jody Monegan, office@uueugene.org, 541-686-2775x3.

SCAM ALERT – The Unitarian Universalist Association has learned that a number of congregations have been hit with an email scam, which involves making a fake Gmail account in the minister's name and then sending an email allegedly from the minister with a request for gift cards or to click a link or open an attachment that can trigger a malicious code. If you send the gift card, it gets cashed by the scammer. Your staff at UUCE will never send you unexpected requests for gift cards! When in doubt, check with us directly by phone or in person. Thank you.

STEWARDSHIP

GOOD NEWS ON THE BUDGET – We made up the \$60,000 deficit for the 2019-2020 budget! Generous donors said "Yes" to creating a matching donation of \$30,000. Then you all reached deep down and matched the \$30,000 with incredible generosity. Thank you! Rev. Lois Van Leer.

CONNECTING

UUCE ALL COMERS CRAFT CIRCLE – We welcome all members and friends of the church and all community people of any age and ability to bring their portable craft style to share space while creating and learning from each other. No need to register or commit to coming regularly. Snacks to share are welcome, but not required. This group meets on the 2nd and 4th Tuesdays each month from 6-8pm in the Social Hall. Our next gathering will be on May 28. Hosted by Megan Dorrah and Molly mae Culligan. Questions to mollymaec@gmail.com, 541-517-5710.

NEW SISTER CIRCLES FORMING – To all church attendees who self-identify as women and who would like to be part of a sister circle, we will now have continuous opportunities for establishing new groups, which will form according to schedule needs and interests. If interested, call Sister Circle Coordinator Katie Clay, 541-338-2960. And/or, you can attend already existing open sister circles: Sister Circle meets on the first Tuesday of each month from 2-4pm in the Chapel; Spirited Sisters meets on the third Thursday of each month from 2-4pm in the Chapel. Details are on the web calendar and in periodic announcements.

UUCE MEN'S GROUPS – Two men's groups meet at UUCE and both are open to all who identify as men. Meetings occur Wednesday evenings from 7-9pm in Room 7. Men's Group 1 meets on the 1st and 3rd Wednesday and is coordinated by Jim Kayser. Men's Group 2 meets on the 2nd and 4th Wednesday and is coordinated by Emmet Band. Come by and be part of open discussions on topics that change each week. More information is available on our website (LEARN & CONNECT > Support Groups). Jim Kayser, 541-484-1840; Emmet Band, 707-327-9386. men@uueugene.org.

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.

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 May 28. Barbara Flitcroft, barwood13@earthlink.net, 503-704-4105.

HEARING LOOP AVAILABLE IN SANCTUARY AND SOCIAL HALL – To access the hearing loop, switch your hearing aid to telecoil. www.hearingloop.org.

DONATION CART FOR OCCUPY MEDICAL, FIRST PLACE FAMILY CENTER, AND WHITEBIRD CLINIC – Lists of needed items are on the cart in the south hall Lobby. Thank you. Ruth Duemler, ruthduemler@gmail.com, 541-484-6145. John Roy Wilson, jrw45@comcast.net, 541-687-6728.

UUCE Weekly Church Calendar, May 26 – June 2, 2019

Sunday, 5/26

- 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 2, 5, 6.
11:00am-noon **Information and Fundraising Tables**, Lobby, Social Hall.
11:00am-1:00pm **Sunday Social**, Social Hall.
11:00am-1:00pm **Library Open**, Library.
11:15-11:45am **Accessibility Meeting**, SF. Jones Hollister, 541-999-2957.
11:15am-12:15pm **Faith Forward: Inquirers**, Chapel. Rev. Lois Van Leer.
11:30am-12:30pm **Soul Matters**, Rm 2. Katy Siepert, 541-686-2775x2.
11:30am-12:30pm **UU Earth Action**, Room 5. Sue Craig, 541-607-0204.
11:30am-12:30pm **International Student Exchange Info**, S. Ashley Franckowiak.
11:30am-1:00pm **Middle School Group**, Room 1. Ezra Black, 541-686-2775x2.
11:30am-1:00pm **High School Youth Group**, Rm 7. Katy Siepert, 541-686-2775x2.

Monday, 5/27 No open UUCE events listed.

Tuesday, 5/28

- 8:00-10:00am **UU Birders**, Off-site. Mike Berg, 541-357-3145.
9:00am-noon **Church Building Work Party**. Eric Swegles, 414-339-8156.
9:00am-noon **Landscaping Gathering**, O. Saro Hendrickson, 541-953-0708.
2:00-4:00pm **Quilting for a Cause**, Rm 6. Barbara Flitcroft, 503-704-4105.
6:00-8:00pm **UUCE All Comers Craft Circle**, SH. Molly mae C., 541-517-5710.

Wednesday, 5/29

- 10:00-11:00am **Moving Meditation**, Chapel. Barbara Flitcroft, 503-704-4105.
5:30-7:00pm **Harry Potter & Sacred Text**, Off-site. Debra E., 541-731-5899.

Thursday, 5/30 No open UUCE events listed.

Friday, 5/31 No open UUCE events listed.

Saturday, 6/1 No open UUCE events listed.

Sunday, 6/2

- 9:45-11:15am **Childcare: Infants and toddlers**, Room 4; **Preschool**, Room 3.
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11:30am-1:30pm **UUCE Annual Meeting**, S. Lizzy Utterback, 858-204-3938.

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