We, the member congregations of the Unitarian Universalist Association, covenant to affirm and promote:

- The inherent worth and dignity of every person;
- Justice, equity, and compassion in human relations;
- Acceptance of one another and encouragement to spiritual growth in our congregations;
- A free and responsible search for truth and meaning;
- The right of conscience and the use of the democratic process within our congregations and in society at large;
- The goal of world community with peace, liberty, and justice for all;
- Respect for the interdependent web of all existence of which we are a part.

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Global Strike for the Climate

Sunday, September 15, 2019 10:15 am

REVEREND FLORENCE CAPLOW

Michele Grove, Interim Director of Religious Education Penne Beckett, Worship Associate and Reader Umeeta Sadarangani and Jerry Carden, Readers Matthew Gladden, Piano; We Wanna Woke Choir



We are a "Welcoming Congregation" for the LGBTQIA+ Community

ORDER OF SERVICE Sunday, September 15, 2019

Gathering Chime "Elegy for the Arctic" Ludovico Einaudi Prelude Welcome and Announcements Adam Davis, Board of Trustees Greeting Our Neighbors/Centering Chime **Opening Words and Land Acknowledgment** Rev. Florence Caplow **Unison Chalice Lighting** We light this chalice, the flame of our heritage, in solidarity with UUs and all the peoples of the world lighting candles of planetary hope. May it ignite a spirit of solidarity, and enthusiasm for the new world we can create, together. (Peggy Clark) A Call to Worship by Gretchen Haley "The Tide is Rising" Shoshana Freidman *Song "*The tide is rising** and so are we. This is where we are called to be" Michele Grove and Barbara Hudgings Story We hold you in our love as you grow, as you grow, Song May your heart be at peace as you grow. To nurture the spark of your precious life, We hold you in our love as you grow. (Kathleen Tracy) Offertory "Allegro in F minor" C.P.E. Bach Sharing Joys and Sorrows May the longtime sun, shine upon you, all love surround you, And the pure, pure light that's within you, guide your way home. (Sara Thomsen) "The Silence of Vanishing Things" Reading Rob Lewis *Hymn #1068 "Rising Green" Reflection "Why I'm Striking on September 20th" Rev. Florence Caplow Extinguishing the Chalice ***Hymn #1028** "Fire of Commitment" Led by CrUUners

Land Acknowledgment

We recognize, honor, and acknowledge that we are on the lands of the Peoria, Kaskaskia, Piankashaw, Wea, Miami, Mascoutin, Odawa, Sauk, Mesquaki, Kickapoo, Potawatomi, Ojibwe, and Chickasaw Nations.

LARGE PRINT ORDERS OF SERVICE ARE AVAILABLE FROM THE USHERS, AS WELL AS HEARING ASSISTANCE DEVICES

ARE YOU VISITING TODAY?

Meteome! Please stay after the service for coffee and snacks. Visit the Welcome Table in the lobby for name tags and to fill out a visitor's card to join our mailing list. Visit the Connections Hub Table for more information about this congregation and Unitarian Universalism, and to chat with welcoming members.

We're so pleased that you've visited us, and we hope you visit again soon.

Hospitable Parking. Please reserve spaces in the parking lot for guests and newcomers and for persons with limited mobility. You'll find a map of close-by parking areas at the Connections Hub table in Fellowship Hall.

Our intention is having a Fragrance-Free building. Please choose to be fragrance free out of respect for those who are affected by scents.

Rose Window Center: Silphium, Prairie Flower. Created in 1987 by the Herricks.

Banner on Chancel: The Sanskrit syllable Om represents Hinduism, the most ancient of the world's great religions.

eNews and quarterly Uniter. If you would like to receive our weekly eNews and quarterly Uniter, please sign up at the Welcome table or visit <u>https://goo.gl/xgv6Kk</u>.

Young Adult Table. Are you ages 18-35? Join us after service in Fellowship Hall for conversations important to young adults or young at heart.

For Your Information: Church events, including services, may be recorded and/or photographed. This is an AED equipped facility. The AED is located in the lobby, near the Green Street entry.

JOIN US NEXT SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 22

"GUARDIAN ANGELS"

GUEST SPEAKER: ELLYN BULLOCK

Upcoming Weekly Calendar

Sunday, September 15

Adult Discussion Group / 9:00 a.m. / Library Mindfulness Meditation Group / 9:00 a.m. / YRUU Classroom Nursery / 10:00 a.m. / Classroom #4 Religious Education / 10:15 a.m. / Children's Chapel, Classrooms #1, #2, #3, OWL Classroom, YRUU Classroom Sunday Service / 10:15 a.m. / Sanctuary Young Adult Group / 11:30 a.m. / Fellowship Hall Book and Magazine Exchange / 11:30 a.m. / Fellowship Hall OWL / 4:30 p.m. / Children's Chapel, Library, OWL Classroom

Monday, September 16

Bridge Group / 1:00 p.m. / Children's Chapel Caregiver's Chalice Circle / 7:00 p.m. / Library Book Reading: "Redemption Songs: A Year in the Life of a Community Prison Choir" / 7:00 p.m. / Sanctuary

Tuesday, September 17

(DSC Playgroup) / 8:30 a.m. / Classroom #4 UU Feminist Book Group / 7:00 p.m. / Library Social Action Committee Meeting / 7:00 p.m. / Fellowship Hall

Wednesday, September 18

Last day for content for eNews & Order of Service by noon, the latest. UU Playgroup / 9:00 a.m. / Classroom #4 CrUUners Rehearsal / 6:00 p.m. / Sanctuary (Smart Recovery) / 6:00 p.m. / Classroom #1 Dream Buffet / 6:30 p.m. / Fellowship Hall Choir Rehearsal / 7:00 p.m. / Sanctuary

Thursday, September 19

BAGAT Meeting / 11:30 a.m. / Fellowship Hall Buddhist Meditation Class / 4:30 p.m. / Channing Murray RJP: Analyzing Organizations for Structural Inequality / 6:00 p.m. / Children's Chapel (Many Paths: An Agnostic AA Group) / 6:00 p.m. / Classroom #1 Adult RE Working Group / 7:00 p.m. / OWL Classroom Reflective Writing Circle / 7:00 p.m. / Library

Friday, September 20 No Events

Saturday, September 21 Dream Buffet / 12:15 p.m. / Fellowship Hall (Many Paths: An Agnostic AA Group) / 4:30 p.m. / Classroom #1

For the most up-to-date calendar information, please visit <u>uucuc.org/uucuc-calendar</u>.

<u>Announcements</u>

Today's Hospitality Team A Volunteers! Bellringer: Todd Kinney; **Ushers**: Jenna Zeidler, Pam and Lan Richart; **Welcomers**: Anne Reeser, Joe Minarik and Alice Englebretsen; **Decorations:** Charlotte Brady Family; **Snacks**: Anne Reeser and Alice Englebretsen.

Our Shared Offering for September is the Channing-Murray Foundation. The mission of the Channing-Murray Foundation is to provide educational opportunities to explore Unitarian-Universalism spirituality, reflect our concern for social justice, and affirm diversity through outreach to the campus community of Urbana-Champaign.

Interfaith Vigil of Remembrance, Hope, and Action in Response to Local and National Gun Violence TODAY. The vigil will take place at 3:00 p.m. at the Randolph Street Community Garden, 1001 N. Randolph Street in Champaign. We will ring our bells 35 times at that time in memory of local victims of gun violence.

Our Monthly Book and Magazine Exchange happens TODAY in Fellowship Hall after the service!

Supporting Our Community Through Service. Interested in enjoying the camaraderie of working together to do dishes and tidy the kitchen after Fellowship Hour on Sundays, from approximately 11:45 a.m. to 12:30 pm? We will have a signup sheet outside the kitchen door beginning TODAY.

Dream Buffets - A Special Invitation! On behalf of your Dream Team, we would like to invite all members and friends to attend one of three Dream Buffets: **September 18, 6:30 to 8:30 p.m., Saturday, September 21, 12:15 to 2:30 p.m., or Sunday, September 22, 12:15 to 2:30 p.m.** While enjoying delectable snacks, small groups will have facilitated conversations around specific questions on our identity as a church. Childcare available. To RSVP: <u>tinyurl.com/yydnocdf</u>

Racial Justice Project: Analyzing Organizations for Structural Inequality. Join us on Thursday, September 19 at 6:00 p.m. in the Children's Chapel to introduce what the Racial Justice Project will begin looking at this year.

To support the Global Climate Strike taking place on Friday, September 20, the UUCUC office will be closed. Regular office hours of 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. will resume on Monday, September 23.

"UUs Gathering in the Grove" on Sunday, September 29, at 5:30 p.m. Join Rev. Caplow and James Engelhardt for an experimental, contemplative, poetry-based "pop-up worship service" in the Hosta Garden of the U of I Arboretum. Sit on the ground or bring a lawn chair. The theme will be "Turning Toward Autumn" so please bring favorite autumn poetry or quotes.

Are you interested in visiting The Holocaust Museum in Northbrook, Illinois? Gail Cohen is arranging a full-day trip that would take place on a September or October weekday. Please email Gail Cohen if interested: gailsquilt@gmail.com.

Religious Education News





Religious Education Gratitude!

Many people are working behind the scenes to make religious education happen.

A special thank you to five persons who spent numerous hours getting the classrooms ready for the upcoming religious education year:

- 1. <u>Carol Veit</u> who worked on organizing religious education supplies and resources.
- 2. <u>Andy Townsend</u> who re-designed some hillside landscaping and outside classroom space to make it inviting to those in classrooms #1, #2, #3 and #4.
- 3. <u>Pat McClard</u> who spent numerous hours putting together the new furniture for the nursery and preschool.
- 4. <u>Cindy Ingold</u> who worked on organizing religious education supplies and resources and is now the religious education resource coordinator.
- 5. <u>Karen Folk</u> who worked on organizing religious education supplies and resources.

Each of these person's work makes this coming year a better experience for religious education leadership and participants. Thank you!

Resolving Conflict, Finding Agreement *An Adult Religious Education Opportunity*

Please Note Date Changes.... Same Spectacular Program/New Date!

Virginia Brubaker and Gail Schiesser will host **Resolving Conflict, Finding Agreement, Part One on Saturday, September 28th and Part Two on Saturday, October 26th.** This learning experience is a must for everyone who encounters conflict in their daily lives. Is that not you? To register, reach out to Michele Grove at <u>re-director@uucuc.org</u> and she will send you the link. The links are also included in this week's eNews.



Soul Matters Covenant Groups offer the gift of spiritual connection. They are not a standalone program. They're designed as a companion program to our congregation's worship and religious education ministries. Spiritual exercises are a vital part of the program designed to satisfy our deep collective hunger for experiential engagement. Reflection questions are equally vital as they invite us into individual exploration and spiritual discernment.

Groups organizing now will continue through May 2020 and will meet once per month — with some groups opting to meet occasionally more often.

If you have additional questions or want to chat further, contact Membership Manager, Sherry Bohlen.

Look for Soul Matters Covenant Group Sign-Up Sheets near Hub Table! Act quickly. Space is limited.

Pathway to Membership Class on September 29

The class will take place on Sunday, September 29, from 1:00 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. in the Children's Chapel.

Learn about UUCUC governance, activities, opportunities and social action mission. Learn about benefits and responsibilities of membership. Meet others interested in UUCUC membership. At the end of the class, you'll have an opportunity to "sign the book" and become a member if you choose. Light snacks provided. Childcare available.

Sign-up sheet available at the Hub Table. Questions? See Membership Manager, Sherry Bohlen