

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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**Unitarian Universalist Church
of Urbana-Champaign**

*Build community. Seek inspiration. Promote justice.
Find peace.*



“Beginning with Pleasure...”

**Sunday, January 5, 2020
10:15 a.m.**

MEREDITH OLSON

**Kiri Fagen-Ulmschneider, Worship Associate
Matthew Gladden, Pianist**



We are a “Welcoming Congregation” for the LGBTQIA+ Community

ORDER OF SERVICE

You only have to let the soft animal of your body love what it loves. – Mary Oliver

Gathering Chime & Tower Bells

Prelude "Minnen" Valborg Aulin

Board Welcome & Greeting Our Neighbors Jenna Zeidler

Land Acknowledgment

Unison Chalice Lighting

Out of the darkness, light.

Out of the light, warmth.

Out of the warmth, joy.

Out of the joy, togetherness.

May this flame hold us

for the time we are here with one another.

by Ben Soule

Opening Words "We Arrive Here Together" Andy Pakula

***Hymn #38** "Morning Has Broken"

Reading Excerpt from "Civil Disobedience" Henry David Thoreau

Community Matters John Milano

Offertory "En rêve" Reinhold Glière

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.

***Hymn #347** "Gather the Spirit"

Reflection "Beginning with Pleasure..." Meredith Olson

***Hymn #131** "Love Will Guide Us"

*Closing Words & Chalice Extinguishing

"To Soulfully Survive the World's Mayhem"

by Heather Rion Starr

Postlude "Song for the Nations" arr. Mark Hayes

**Please rise in body or spirit*

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.

ARE YOU VISITING TODAY?

Welcome! 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: Snowflake. Created in 1987 by Kathy Szoke and Naomi Parkhurst.

Banner on Chancel: The Ying Yang is the Taoist symbol of the interplay of forces in the universe.

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 <https://tinyurl.com/y4pqk8lt>.

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.

Visit Us on the Web. For further information about our church and recent news and upcoming events, please visit us at <https://uucuc.org/>.

JOIN US NEXT SUNDAY, JANUARY 12

“MISSION POSSIBLE”

JENNY HUNT AND THE DREAM TEAM

Upcoming Weekly Calendar

Sunday, January 5

Adult Discussion Group / 9:00 a.m. / Fellowship Hall Small Meeting Room
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,
Library (Lower Level), YRUU Classroom
Sunday Service / 10:15 a.m. / Sanctuary
Young Adult Group / 11:30 a.m. / Fellowship Hall
Computer / Google Lab / 11:30 a.m. / Lower Level Library
Futures Group Meeting / 12:00 p.m. / Children's Chapel
OWL / 4:30 p.m. / Children's Chapel, Fellowship Hall Small Meeting Room,
Library (Lower Level)

Monday, January 6

Bridge Group / 1:00 p.m. / Children's Chapel

Tuesday, January 7

No events scheduled

Wednesday, January 8

Last day for content for eNews & Order of Service by noon, the latest.
(Smart Recovery) / 6:00 p.m. / Classroom #1
CrUUners Rehearsal / 6:00 p.m. / Sanctuary
Choir / 6:00 p.m. / Sanctuary

Thursday, January 9

Care Core / 2:30 p.m. / Fellowship Hall Small Meeting Room
(Many Paths: An Agnostic AA Group) / 6:00 p.m. / Classroom #1
Finance Task Force / 7:00 p.m. / Fireplace Room

Friday, January 10

No events scheduled.

Saturday, January 11

Loss of Life Partner Covenant Group / 11:30 a.m. / Fellowship Hall Small Meeting Room
(Many Paths: An Agnostic AA Group) / 4:30 p.m. / Classroom #1
The Hate U Give Movie / 6:30 p.m. / Fellowship Hall

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

Announcements

Today's service is led by Meredith Olson. Meredith Olson (she/her pronouns) is a health educator, massage therapist, and the Ministerial Intern for the UU Church of Bloomington-Normal. She formerly served congregations as an Interim Religious Educator and continues to enjoy training Our Whole Lives (OWL) facilitators.

Today's Hospitality Team F Volunteers! Bellringer: Not assigned; **Ushers:** Lynn Kelly, Herb Heistand, and John Sfondilias; **Welcomers:** Tamara Ducey, Barb Hudgings and Pat Nolan; **Decorations:** Laura Haber; **Snacks:** Heidi Richter, Herb Heistand, Deb Sperry and Pat Nolan.

Our Shared Offering for January is Champaign County Bailout Coalition.

Your donation today will help pay the bail amount of \$500 or less for people unable to afford it. Champaign County Bailout Coalition believes that no one should be in jail because they can't pay their bond. CCBC is a volunteer-run and nonprofit organization that relies on grassroots fundraising.

Rev. Caplow will be on study leave from December 27th to January 14th.

During that time, if you have a pastoral concern, please email pastoralcare@uucuc.org and one of the co-chairs of our Care Core will respond. For administrative questions, please email Brian Franklin at admin@uucuc.org.

Computer / Google Lab offered TODAY at 11:45 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. in the Library (Lower Level). This Sunday lab, offered the first and third Sunday following service, is designed for anyone working with a UUCUC committee or group who would like to know more about navigating programs we use to organize communication and materials. No registration needed, just drop by!

UU the Vote Official Launch on Sunday, January 12 at 2:30 p.m. – 4:30 p.m. in UUCUC Fellowship Hall. UU the Vote will support congregations and UU organizations through 2020 in mobilizing voters, countering voter suppression, and engaging in spiritually grounded, values-based issue conversations with voters in their communities.

Soul Matters and Innovation Intersect! We are pleased to announce the formation of a new Soul Matters group. Scheduled for its first meeting January 26, 2020, the meeting structure is purposely being designed to meet in a format that meets individual needs and ensures access to rich connections and self-exploration experiences. Members of this group can choose to meet in-person or connect virtually. To register or for more information, please contact Sherry Bohlen (membership@uucuc.org) or Becky Densmore (densmore03@gmail.com).

Sunday Dish Support Needed! The Board asked that we try volunteer Sunday dishwashers, in the spirit of service to one another. Can you help out? If you are interested in volunteering, please sign up for any Sunday on the orange signup sheet on the kitchen door.

For the most up-to-date news and announcements information, please visit uucuc.org.

Religious Education News

Movie and Pizza Party, Saturday, January 11, 2020 7:00 PM. UUCUC Fellowship Hall.

This is a great movie for youth and adults!

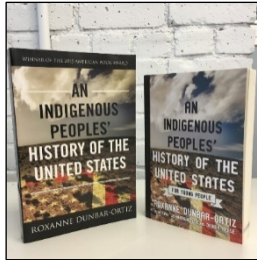
To register, use registration form at

<https://uucuc.org/learning/adults/>



Book Study: An Indigenous Peoples' History of the United States Join Jenny Hunt and Andy Townsend in a 3-session study. **This study begins on Monday, January 13th.**

To register, go to <https://uucuc.org/learning/adults/>



Wi\$dom Path: Money, Spirit, and Life. Join leaders Claudia and David Gross, Nancy Dietrich, Russ Rybicki and Florence Caplow for this 6-week session. **This study begins Sunday Afternoon, January 19th.**

To register, go to

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Our Whole Lives for Kindergarten and 1st Grade

Our Whole Lives is a UU program designed to guide children, youth and adults through an understanding of their identity and sexuality in a safe environment. Acceptance and community support are at the heart of this learning program. UUCUC has sponsored the Our Whole Lives (OWL) program for 7-9th graders for more than 20 years. In 2020, we will expand to offer the 8-week Kindergarten and 1st grade class. The class will be offered on Sunday afternoons from 4:00pm -5:15 beginning February 9th. A mandatory caregiver and child orientation is scheduled for February 2nd 3:00-5:30 pm. Watch for more information. This class is limited to 12 students so if you are interested, please email Michele Grove at re-director@uucuc.org so that we are sure to keep you on the interest list. We will email registration forms as soon as they are available.

Civil Rights Pilgrimage Early Registration Ends January 21!

Early registration form is now available, with a significant discount, and ends on January 21: <https://tinyurl.com/snxhhl4>. The registration form allows a person to pay more to cover scholarships for those from our congregation or community, or to request a scholarship. If you cannot pay the minimum \$50 fee for the scholarship rate, please contact Rev. Caplow. Our intention is that all who wish to go on this trip will be able to go, regardless of financial means. If you are not planning to go on the trip, you can still make a donation to the Living Legacy Project Future Fund and it will be used to cover scholarships.

We encourage all who are interested in going on the trip to register SOON (the trip will be cancelled if we do not have the minimum number by January 21), and please feel free to share this information with anyone in the community who may be interested in joining us!

If you have any questions about the event, please reach out to Rev. Florence Caplow at minister@uucuc.org.

Pathway to Membership Class Coming in January

Mark your calendar for our next

PATHWAY TO MEMBERSHIP CLASS

Sunday, January 19 2:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.

Meet others interested in UUCUC membership. Learn about UU and UUCUC history, governance, activities, opportunities and social action mission. Learn about benefits & responsibilities of membership. At the end of the class, you'll have an opportunity to "sign the book" and become a member of our church community and a vested partner. Childcare available with prior arrangement.

The class will be facilitated by Sherry Bohlen, Director of Congregational Engagement, and Rev Florence Caplow, UUCUC Minister.

Contact Sherry Bohlen, Director of Congregational Engagement, at membership@uucuc.org with questions or to request childcare. Sign up for the class at the Hub Table in Fellowship Hall.