

**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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*“Effective transition ministry begins with a long look in the rearview mirror, where we must read the admonition: ‘Objects may be closer than they appear.’”*

**--David Keyes**

## Closer Than They Appear

Sunday, February 24, 2019, 10:15 am

Michele Townsend Grove and the members of the  
Religious Education Exploring the Future Team (REEF)

Karla Peterson, Worship Associate

Dana Antonelli, Children’s Choir Director

Matthew Gladden, Piano

The Mission of UUCUC

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

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



ORDER OF SERVICE  
Sunday, February 24, 2019

Gathering Chime & Tower Bell

Prelude “Magic Penny” Malvina Reynolds

Welcome & Announcements Randy Locke

Greeting Our Neighbors & Centering Chime

Opening Words Dave Sharpe

Chalice Lighting (Unison)

*We light this chalice celebrating Unitarian Universalism. This is the church of the open mind. This is the church of the loving hearts. This is the church of the helping hands. Together we care for our earth and work for peace and friendship in the world.*

\*Hymn #188 Come, Come, Whoever You Are

Story I Wonder Michele Grove

Song *We hold you in our love as you grow, as you grow  
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)*

Stewardship Testimonial Lara Breeze-Troyer

Offertory “Ashgrove” arr. by Matthew Gladden

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.*

Religious Education Memories Karla Peterson

Reading Gail Schiesser

Message “If These Walls Could Talk” Michele Grove

\*Hymn #290 Bring, O Past, Your Honor

Closing Words & Chalice Extinguishing

Postlude “Across the Stars” John Williams

*\*Please rise in body or in spirit*

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. Help us keep the air we share healthy and fragrance free.

**Sharing Joys and Sorrows.** As a caring congregation, sharing written joys and sorrows on Sundays is a part of how we connect. There are cards available in the pew in front of you and in the foyer.

**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://goo.gl/xgv6Kk>.

**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

“BACK TO THE FUTURE”

REV. FLORENCE CAPLOW

Religious Education Updates:

Upcoming Event for Middle High Youth (ages 11-14):

**Sunday  
March 3rd  
Noon - 2 PM**



**RSVP to Michele  
605-237-1319  
or  
re-director@uucuc.org**

Announcements

**Today's Hospitality Team A Volunteers!** Ushers: Jenna Zeidler; Welcomers: Joe Minarik and Pam Richart; Decorations: Melissa Minarik; Snacks: Jenna Zeidler, Melissa Minarik and Erik Chapman

**Our Shared Offering for February is Austin's Place (AP).** AP is the only winter emergency shelter for women in Champaign County, from 8pm to 7am, for women who would otherwise be out on the streets. This initiative operates solely on volunteer effort.

**Today's worship service is presented by REEF: The Religious Education Exploring the Future Team.** This team works with interim religious education director Michele Grove to explore the role and value of religious education in the life of UUCUC. Members include: Lara Breeze-Troyer, Kathleen Holden, Randy Locke, Karla Peterson, Dave Sharpe and Carol Veit. Thank you to this team for their vision, experience and passion!

**Thank you, Beth Cobb,** for sponsoring today's Children's Choir music. Beth chose the song, *Magic Penny*, by Malvina Reynolds as the recipient a service auction item entitled, "Yours For A Song". Thank you, Beth and the Children's Choir, for this special treat!

**UU Voices Book Group** will meet TODAY at noon in Classroom #1. This group is facilitated in Rev. Caplow. We are still exploring *Christian Voices in Unitarian Universalism*.

**LGBTQ 101 Terms and Pronouns Workshop is TODAY at 2 pm.** Taught by persons from the UP Center (Uniting Pride). Come learn why pronouns are important and how to create welcoming spaces for LGBTQ people in any organization or congregation.

**Our Call to Stewardship for our 2019/2020 church year started last Sunday.** Please pick up your personal pledge packet in Fellowship Hall TODAY. If you have never pledged before, but feel inspired and generous, please come and talk to us. We have extras!

**Stories Wanted: "A Moment When We Were at Our Best".** Please post your memory on UUCUC members and friends group Facebook page, write it in this form <https://bit.ly/2tb3mVT>, or look for cards and a collection basket on tables in Fellowship Hall. Our minister will write a reflection based on our responses for March 3rd service.

### Announcements - Continued

**Sanctuary Through an Anti-Racist Lens: A public event with Jennie Belle, a national Sanctuary Movement Organizer on Friday, March 1, 6:30pm to 8pm, Fellowship Hall.** Come to an interfaith workshop to explore sanctuary through an anti-racist lens, and to learn more about the logistics and practicalities of providing hospitality to those in danger (our building will be used as a case study).

**White Fragility Discussion Group.** Join us in a two-part discussion of Dr. Robin DiAngelo's *New York Times* best-selling book, *White Fragility: Why It's So Hard for White People to Talk About Racism*. We will meet on Thursday, March 7th and April 4th at 7 pm at the church. Contact [mona4shannon@gmail.com](mailto:mona4shannon@gmail.com) to borrow a book or RSVP.

**Sign up today at the Hub Table for next Pathway to Membership Class.** Sunday March 17 from noon to 3 pm. Questions: See Sherry Bohlen at the Hub Table!

**Please Save the Date for the UUCUC Service Auction: April 13th!** The theme will be Across the UUniverse. We will send out details soon and keep an eye on our website: <https://uucuc.org/auction>

**Coming Soon! A NEW church directory.** This will be a great tool for helping us put names with faces and connecting our families to one another. We have invited Lifetouch Church Directories and Portraits to photograph you from April 15th to the 20th. Watch for more information on scheduling your appointment. We look forward to seeing all of you in our new directory.

**Calling All AV Nerds!** If you enjoy working with audio and video technologies or think that you would but just haven't had the opportunity to learn about them, then we want you for our team! Please contact Chris Hannauer ([chris@hannauer.net](mailto:chris@hannauer.net)) if you would be interested in joining our merry band of nerds.

**Possible UUCUC Women's Retreat.** If you are interested in being a part of a women's retreat later this spring, email your interest, and any questions to Priscilla Kron at [priscilla.kron@gmail.com](mailto:priscilla.kron@gmail.com), or call 217-649-6632.

### UUCUC Upcoming Weekly Calendar

#### **Sunday, February 24**

Adult Discussion Group / 9:00 am / Library  
Mindfulness Meditation Group / 9:00 am / YRUU Classroom  
Children's Choir Practice / 9:15 am / Classroom #1  
Worship Service / 10:15 am / Sanctuary  
Young Adult Group / 11:30 am / Table in Fellowship Hall  
UU Voices Reading Group (Christian Voices) / Noon / Classroom #1  
LGBTQ 101: Terms and Pronouns / 2:00 pm / Fellowship Hall  
Nominating Committee Meeting / 5:00 pm / Library  
Hospitality Team Leaders Winter Meeting / 6:00 pm / Fellowship Hall

#### **Monday, February 25**

Bridge Group / 1:00 pm / Children's Chapel  
Racial Justice Project Meeting / 7:00 pm / Library

#### **Tuesday, February 26**

Board of Trustees Study Session / 7:00 pm / Classroom #1

#### **Wednesday, February 27**

*Last day for content for eNews & Order of Service by noon, the latest.*  
(Smart Recovery) / 6:00 pm / Classroom #1  
CrUUners Rehearsal / 6:00 pm / Sanctuary  
Choir Rehearsal / 7:00 pm / Sanctuary  
Welcoming Congregation Meeting / 7:00 pm / Library

#### **Thursday, February 28**

Wake Joy Class with Rev. Caplow / 4:30 pm / Channing Murray on Campus  
(Many Paths: An Agnostic AA Group) / 6:00 pm / Rm #1  
United Dream Team Meeting / 7:00 pm / Children's Chapel

#### **Friday, March 1**

Sanctuary Through an Anti-Racist Lens: A public event with Jennie / 6:30 pm / Fellowship Hall

#### **Saturday, March 2**

(Many Paths: An Agnostic AA Group) / 4:30 pm / Rm #1

*For the most up-to-date calendar information, please visit [uucuc.org/uucuc-calendar](https://uucuc.org/uucuc-calendar).*