

FELLOWSHIP

WAYSIDE PULPIT

"The biggest risk a person can take is to do nothing."

-Robert T. Kiyosaki



UUFC WEEKLY ANNOUNCEMENTS

November 12, 2017

SUNDAY, November 12

9:30 AM Childcare available
Worship Service

11:00 AM Childcare available
Worship Service
RE Classes

Join us after the services in the Social Hall for coffee and conversation. Introduce yourself to someone you don't know.

The Fellowship Care and Support team listeners are available for anyone looking for support. Ask at the greeter desk.

NEW TO THE FELLOWSHIP? CONTACT
OUR FIRST STEPS COORDINATOR,
ELONA MEYER
(elonameyer@icloud.com).

BECOME A MEMBER
OF THE UUFC!
Our next MEMBERSHIP CLASS is Jan 27,
2018. Sign up at the welcome table in
the foyer for the next class.

*Let us examine the gifts in
our lives, and risk doing the
difficult things that must be
done, so others may benefit
from our example.*

Visit the UUFC website to WATCH
recordings of previous
SUNDAY SERVICES!

www.uucorvallis.org/?page_id=239

Worship | Two worship services at 9:30 and 11:00 AM

Nov. 12 **"Risky Behavior"** Elizabeth Sollie

We live in a world full of risk and benefit. Who takes the risks and pays the costs? Who benefits? Why does it matter?

The drop-in choir returns today - anyone interested in singing is invited to come practice beginning at 8:45 AM.

Next Week | Two worship services at 9:30 and 11:00 AM

Nov. 19 **"Still Counting Blessings"** Rev. Jill McAllister

The season of gratitude and thanksgiving approaches, in a year when so much is in danger, from access to health care to the state of the earth, and so much in between. And yet, and always, we are blessed. Let us join to help each other remember and give thanks for the innumerable blessings in our lives.

Upcoming Worship | Two worship services at 9:30 and 11:00 AM

Nov. 26 **"The Examined Life"** Rev. Jill McAllister

James Luther Adams wrote that an unexamined life is not worth living. We spend plenty of time examining our lives, it seems, but what is it we are looking for and looking at? Are we trying to justify our opinions and preferences? Look for comfort we feel entitled to? What about faithfulness?

Don Alan Hall (donhall@peak.org) has stunning photographs for sale in the Sanctuary. If purchased, he will donate all income from sales to the Fellowship.

HAPPENING SOON

New Prison Ministry Group is Forming

Interested in finding out about opportunities to support individuals during and after incarceration? Want to understand more about the realities of the criminal justice system and its effects on people's lives? A new prison ministry group is forming. Our next meeting is on Monday, November 13 at 6pm at the Fellowship (room TBA). All welcome. For more information, contact Lynn Scott at 541-908-8178 or lynns cottoregon@gmail.com.

Thanksgiving Food Box Delivery - only 10 days away!

For several years the UUFC has assisted the Linn-Benton Food Share by delivering Thanksgiving food boxes to area families on the Sunday before the holiday. This year we're looking for at least 50 delivery teams to spend an hour or two between 12:30 pm and 4 pm delivering boxes to three to five families each on Sunday Nov. 19. Teams will pick up their boxes including names, addresses and a map showing where those deliveries need to be made at the Benton County Fairgrounds. Delivering the makings of a delicious Thanksgiving meal is a wonderful way to feel connected to our larger community and many folks have said it's become part of their giving thanks tradition. We invite you to make it part of yours too. For more information or to sign up contact Wendy Sutton at connect@uucorvallis.org. There will also be a sign up sheet this Sunday, November 12.

Join us this week for the next Town Hall: Nov. 16 7PM

Forty enthusiastic discussers kicked-off our town hall series on Oct. 22, delving into the hows and whys of Fellowship stewardship and finance practices. This discussion will continue by survey, with the hope that a few hundred of us will weigh in.

The next town hall will be this Thursday evening, Nov. 16. The topic will be racism and our anti-racism work. We are at many different levels of understanding of racism and white supremacy as individuals, and it's clear that there's much more to learn. Therefore, what goals should the Board develop in order to support this work, and to make progress in relation to the anti-racism goals of the UUA? Come be part of this discussion.

Remember, though the questions are timely and important, just as timely and important are the ways we are engaging them, trying several different formats for communication, sharing, and discussion. Please come! Childcare and light refreshments will be available.

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Thanksgiving FestEvent at the Fellowship

Need a place to celebrate Thanksgiving? Come to the UUFC on Thursday, November 23, for a large communal dinner for members and friends of UUFC, their families, and their guests. [Last year we had about 120 people, of all ages.] Being a communal event, each person/family does a little of the work and brings a potluck dish to share. We need volunteers to: cook four turkeys; work in the kitchen to make mashed potatoes and gravy, and to carve the turkeys; set up tables; decorate tables; host the social hour; clean up; etc. Sign up after Sunday service on 11/12 and 11/19, or do it on-line, or call Rich Brainerd 541-740-2961. More details will be coming out on UUAnnounce.

UUFC Building Enhancement Project Blog is now live!

This blog will allow you to follow the progress of building and site changes at the Unitarian Universalist Fellowship of Corvallis. Thus far, the soils engineering report and the boundary and topographic survey have been completed. A seismic evaluation of our existing building will be undertaken within the next few weeks, and a report produced. Our architects, Di Loreto Architects, are in the process of developing schematic designs, which will be presented to the entire congregation at a future date, to be determined. You can follow along here: <https://oursharedfutureuufc.wordpress.com/>.

THE WEEK AHEAD: NOV 13 - NOV 18

Monday, Wednesday, Friday Exercise/Aerobics 4:00 PM SH
Monday, Nov 13

7:00 PM | Room 7 | UUFC Board of Trustees Meeting

Tuesday, Nov 14

9:30 AM | 9 | Fellowship Care & Support Team Meeting

Wednesday, Nov 15

1:00 PM | N. Coop | Women's Lunch Bunch
Friendly conversation with women of the Fellowship. Contact: Elizabeth Waldorf (dewaldorf@comcast.net).

6:00 PM | SH/K | Weekly Potluck
Please bring a dish (with a list of ingredients) to share, and your own plate and utensils if possible. All are welcome.

Thursday, Nov 16

7:00 PM | SH | Town Hall. Topic: Racism and our Anti-Racism work. Please join us!

Friday, Nov 17

10:15 AM | Room 7 | Insight Meditation
This is a simple yet profound practice originally taught by the Buddha. No experience is required. Contact: Mary Leigh Burke (maryleigh.burke@gmail.com).

7:00 PM | Room 7 | Kirtan Meditation

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HOLIDAY FAIR NEEDS YOUR HELP

Saturday, Dec. 2, 9:00 AM - 3:00 PM

Thanks to those who have already volunteered to help! Please remember that you can sign up to volunteer two ways:

~In the lobby at church on Sundays, between services, and after the second service.

~Online, by signing up on this site: <http://signup.com/go/aEDKuyI>

Thanks also to those who have already donated items to the Silent Auction and to the Recycled Gifts tables. We appreciate you dropping off these items in the bin outside the office on Sundays or during times when the office is open. Please box and label your contributions.

Donations to the Bake Sale should be brought to the church between 4:00-7:00 on Friday evening, when Andrea Dailey and volunteers will be there.

Donations of special decorative additions to the swags should be made either the Sunday before the Fair, or at least before 10:00 on Friday, when volunteers will be starting to construct them.

You do not need to sign up online to donate items to the Silent Auction, Recycled Gifts table, Bake Sale, or special decoration additions to the swags.

One final note: we are beginning to hear from volunteers who want to provide live music during the Fair. In between these folks, we need someone to be in charge of the sound system to broadcast recorded seasonal music. If anyone is willing to record music in advance and turn the recorded music on and off please contact Judy Westlake, 541-740-9457, or judywestlake@comcast.net.

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Words for Reflection

Nov 12, 2017

Who shall ascend into the hill of the Lord? or who shall stand in his holy place? There is no one but us. There is no one to send, nor a clean hand, nor a pure heart on the face of the earth, nor in the earth, but only us, a generation comforting ourselves with the notion that we have come at an awkward time, that our innocent fathers are all dead—as if innocence had ever been—and our children busy and troubled, and we ourselves unfit, not yet ready, having each of us chosen wrongly, made a false start, failed, yielded to impulse and the tangled comfort of pleasures, and grown exhausted, unable to seek the thread, weak, and involved. But there is no one but us. There never has been.

Annie Dillard, from *Holy the Firm*

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WANT TO INCLUDE AN ANNOUNCEMENT IN THE WEEKLY ANNOUNCEMENTS?

If you would like to include an announcement for your group, please email them by Wednesday to office@uucorvallis.org with the subject line: weekly announcement.

NEED TO CONTACT US?

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FALL HOURS
Monday 10:00 AM - 2:00 PM
Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday
9:00 AM - 2:00 PM

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