



THE WEEK AHEAD

May 22-29, 2016

Upcoming Services & Events at the UU Fellowship of Corvallis

Today, Sunday, May 22, 2016

- **First Steps class**, 9:30 AM (LIB)
Orientation session for newcomers. No registration required.
- **Annual Clothing “Rumpus” Exchange**, 10:30 AM & 12:30 PM (SH)
Clothing exchange and fundraiser for the UUFC Women’s Retreat. Men’s, women’s and children’s clothes included.
- **UUFC Choir Concert: John Rutter’s Requiem**, 2:00 PM (SFH)
The UUFC choir and special guest musicians perform this great 20th century work. Come enjoy!
- **Environmental Reading Circle**, 3:00 PM (Off-site)
Discussion of The Sixth Extinction by Elizabeth Kolbert, at 3940 NW Lincoln Ave. in Corvallis.

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- **CAUSA Organizing Training**, Mon May 23, 7:00 PM (SFH)
Immigration justice training with CAUSA, Oregon’s immigrant rights organization. <http://causaoregon.org>
- **Weekly Potluck**, Wed May 25, 6:00 PM (SH)
Please bring a dish (with a list of ingredients) to share, and your own plate and utensils if possible. All are welcome.
- **Building an Interfaith Coalition for Climate Justice Work: An Evening with Rabbis Arthur Waskow and Phyllis Berman**, May 25, 6:30 PM (SHF)
Come hear Rabbis Arthur Waskow and Phyllis Berman, well-known and highly respected leaders of the movement for Jewish renewal, speak about strengthening our local inter-faith and community efforts to address climate change.
- **Memorial Service for Bill McKinney**, Thurs May 26, 1:30 PM (SFH)
If you can bring refreshments to share for the reception, please contact Sandy Piper.
- **Presentation on Reproductive Rights**, Thurs May 26, 7:00 PM (SFH)
A video from GA: the public witness process for female reproductive rights, a congregational study/action issue.
- **Insight Meditation**, Fri May 27, 10:30 AM (9)
Insight Meditation is a simple yet profound practice originally taught by the Buddha. No experience is required.
- **Kirtan and Meditation Circle**, Fri May 27, 7:00 PM (7)
Kirtan comes from ancient Hindu traditions of chanting as devotional practice, to calm minds and open hearts.

Plan Ahead

- **Summer services begin June 5: ONE service at 10:00 AM**
- **Celebration and Farewell to Ann Mbacke**, Sunday, June 19
Good-bye and celebration for Ann Mbacke, with strawberry shortcake!

Next Sunday: May 29, 9:30 AM & 11:00 AM

“Love costs all we are...”

Rev. Jill McAllister

These words of Maya Angelou begin with “We are weaned from our timidity... we dare to be brave.” Loss of those we love, and of what we love, call us to be both vulnerable and resilient, in ways that are so intertwined it is often confusing. But confusion is a place to start, and the world is calling us into this relationship, every day.

Our longing for the way things could be is also the power that sustains us in our work to build a better world for all. Let us live into the life we dream of.

UUFC Clothing Rumpus, TODAY

What's a Clothing Rumpus? It's a fundraising event for the Women's Retreat. A chance to clean out your closet. An opportunity to augment your wardrobe with fabulous, lightly used clothes. It's ecologically sound – reduce, reuse, recycle! Come shop after both services – men's, women's and children's clothing included.

Choir Concert: Rutter's *Requiem*, TODAY at 2:00 PM

The UUFC choir plus instrumentalists present one of the most well-known choral works of the 20th century—*Requiem* by John Rutter. Composed in 1985, it is a powerful and profound setting of the some of the text from the Requiem Mass (Mass for the Dead), and contains text in both English and Latin. Come enjoy!

Environmental Reading Circle, TODAY at 3:00 PM

The Environmental Reading Circle will meet next Sunday to begin discussing *The Sixth Extinction* by Elizabeth Kolbert, at 3940 NW Lincoln Ave. in Corvallis. For more information contact Elizabeth Waldorf (541 207-3613, dewaldorf@comcast.net).

CAUSA Immigration Justice Training

CAUSA, Oregon's immigrant justice organization, will be providing training on how to connect with people and discuss the proposed anti-immigration measures. This training is open to anyone that is interested in learning more about these measures and serving in this cause. Monday May 23, 7:00 PM, UUFC sanctuary. To learn about CAUSA go to <http://causaoregon.org/>.

GA Review: Female Reproductive Rights

Whether you attended GA or not this video, of the public witness process for female reproductive rights, is sure to ignite your sense of purpose and or curiosity about what it means to be a Unitarian Universalist. Reproductive Rights are a Congregational Study/Action Issue. Thursday, May 26, 7:00 PM, UUFC Sanctuary. For more information, contact Ann Mbacke (reassociate@uucorvallis.org).

Summer Services – interested to help plan and present one?

Jill McAllister is looking for a small group interested in working together to plan and present one summer service on a mutually agreeable topic. Let her know if you'd like to be part of such a group (minister@uucorvallis.org).

Conversational Spanish Group Forming at UUFC

Practice your Spanish, or express yourself in your preferred language, with other Spanish speakers at the Fellowship. We can share ideas and experiences related to UUism, religion and spirituality, and life in the world in general. If you are interested please contact Sylvia Geddes (479-684-1212, geddessylvia@yahoo.com).

Be a Religious Exploration guide with our children!

A beautiful way to serve our community, uphold our values, invest in the future, and grow in wisdom and understanding. To learn more, write your name and contact information on the easel in the foyer, next to the age group you'd like to work with. Michael Molk will contact you. Help is also needed for summer Sundays with children and youth – one Sunday at a time. Let Michael know if you'd like to help with one summer Sunday.

Compassionate Listening Practice Group

This drop-in group is open to anyone who has participated in a Compassionate Listening course at UUFC, or who has studied Andrea Cohen's book *Practicing the Art of Compassionate Listening*. Group meets Tuesday, June 7, 6:00-8:00 PM. For more information, contact Anna Coffman (978-760-0910, annabiz1@gmail.com).

Doctrine of Discovery Documentary Screening

The Doctrine of Discovery is the name given to a series of 15th century papal bulls (letters) instructing Christian explorers on the appropriate behavior and expectations upon encountering lands supporting non-Christian people. It continues to affect the lives of indigenous peoples. This long-awaited documentary by Dakota filmmaker/director Sheldon Wolfchild and Shawnee/Lenape historian and writer Steve Newcomb explains why. Screening on Wednesday, June 1, 5:30 PM, UUFC Room 7. Discussion to follow, led by Jesse Ford. (For more information, see <http://www.38plus2productions.com/>)