



# THE WEEK AHEAD

June 26-July 3, 2016  
Upcoming Services & Events at the UU Fellowship of Corvallis

## Today, Sunday, June 26, 2016

Please join us after the service in the Social Hall for coffee. Introduce yourself to someone if you can.

- **Rummage Sale Collections** Room 8 is now available for items for the August rummage sale
- **First Steps Class**, 10:00 AM (LIB)  
*This class offers an introduction to Unitarian Universalism and the UUFC, and includes a tour of the building. No need to sign up ahead of time. Contact Elona Meyer ([elonameyer@msn.com](mailto:elonameyer@msn.com)) if you have questions.*

## The Week Ahead: June 27-July 3, 2016

- **June office hours – Tuesdays and Thursdays, 9:30 AM-1:30 PM**
- **Weekly Potluck**, Wed June 29, 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.*
- **Laughter Yoga Labyrinth**, Wed June 29, 7:00 PM (SFH)  
*Laughter Yoga Labyrinths are meditations that focus on peace and growing our inner joy. For more information, contact facilitator Tracy Merritt ([tmcmeritt@comcast.net](mailto:tmcmeritt@comcast.net)).*
- **Capoeira Angola**, Thurs June 30, 5:00 PM (SH)  
*A movement practice to build physical balance, strength and endurance.*
- **Insight Meditation**, Fri July 1, 10:15 AM (9)  
*Insight Meditation is a simple yet profound practice originally taught by the Buddha. No experience is required.*
- **Kirtan & Meditation Circle**, Fri July 1, 7:00 PM (7)  
*Kirtan comes from ancient Hindu traditions of chanting as devotional practice, to calm minds and open hearts.*

## Plan Ahead

- **Walking Meditation**, Fri July 8, 7:00 AM-8:00 AM (Chip Ross Park)  
*Join Jill McAllister for an early morning walking meditation with chanting. Meet at the Chip Ross Park parking lot. Let Jill know if you are interested and planning to come ([minister@uucorvallis.org](mailto:minister@uucorvallis.org)).*
- **UUFC Summer Picnic and Concert**, Sat July 16, 2:00 PM (Off-site)  
*Join in for outdoor play time, a potluck picnic and a concert by The Flow. See [http://uucorvallis.org/?page\\_id=3508](http://uucorvallis.org/?page_id=3508) for details or to RSVP.*
- **UUFC Camping Trip**, Sept 2-4 (Cascadia State Park)  
*Join other UUFC members & friends for an all-ages camping trip! Space is limited to 25 people on the group site. Contact Roberta Smith with questions or to register ([robertasmith2@peak.org](mailto:robertasmith2@peak.org)).*
- **Labor Day Tuna Roast**, Sept 5, 3:00 PM (Avery Park Lions Shelter)  
*A UUFC tradition for 20 years now: the Labor Day potluck and tuna roast! Bring a side dish or dessert to share and choose a volunteer job. For more information, contact Rich Brainerd (541-752-2930).*

**Next Sunday: July 3, 10:00 AM**  
"Allegiances"

Rev. Jill McAllister

Independence Day: is there anything about it that can help us strengthen the fabric of community life and civil society? Or on this Independence Day, with the results of Brexit rippling out, and our national elections looming, have we arrived in a dystopian future?

*Let us learn to place our trust in the unfolding of life,  
that we may make ourselves a home in whatever happens.*

## **Connect Up Sign-ups TODAY**

Sign up on June 26th (today!) to participate in or to host an activity in JULY! To Connect Up, either invite others to join you for a specific event or activity (coffee, supper, fly-fishing, painting, walking, yard work – etc, etc.) or just sign up to join someone who is offering. All are welcome. Look at the lists in the foyer today. For more information about Connect Up, contact Wendy Sutton ([connect@uucorvallis.org](mailto:connect@uucorvallis.org)).

## **Office Changes at UUFC**

New staffing begins this month at the Fellowship. Jean Gilbert finishes as the interim office administrator, and will now be able to focus solely on her new responsibilities as UUFC Business Manager. Her summer schedule will be variable; her office hours will be announced at the beginning of the regular church year in September. Jamie Petts will begin office hours in the church office after July 10 – her office hours will be announced that week. Office hours this week are Tuesday and Thursday (June 28 and 30), 9:30 until 1:30. Office hours next week, Tuesday and Thursday July 5 and 7, are also 9:30 until 1:30.

## **Religious Exploration Associate Position Opening**

Announcing the opening of a half-time position, with benefits, in the UUFC Religious Exploration Program. The RE Associate will focus primarily on RE for children and youth, and be responsible for volunteer recruitment and support; support in curriculum development and lesson planning/implementation; and networking with families and between families, staff and volunteers. For a copy of the job description, or with questions, contact Michael Molk at [molk@uucorvallis.org](mailto:molk@uucorvallis.org), or view the posting, which includes application instructions, on the UUFC website at [http://uucorvallis.org/?page\\_id=2724](http://uucorvallis.org/?page_id=2724). **Applications are due by Monday, June 27.** We hope to find someone who will be able to begin in this position by mid-August.

## **UUFC Summer Picnic**

Come join the UUFC summer picnic potluck out on a beautiful “farm” near Philomath. Everyone is welcome – but please RSVP! There will be a potluck dinner and then two glorious hours of music provided by “The Flow” (which includes UUFC member Jed Irvine among its musicians). There are trails through the woods for walking, a pond for swimming, and 35 acres for exploring. For details, directions, and to RVSP, see [http://uucorvallis.org/?page\\_id=3508](http://uucorvallis.org/?page_id=3508)

## **A Few More Teachers Needed for Summer Sundays With Children at UUFC**

Do you have a favorite story to share, or a hobby to show, or a lesson to share? Though regular classes are in summer recess, we still offer guided activities for children during our summer services. Can you spare one Sunday morning to be with the children? Even if you don't have a lesson in mind, if you are able and willing to be there, the RE staff can help make a plan. Please sign up on the easel in the foyer, or contact Michael Molk ([molk@uucorvallis.org](mailto:molk@uucorvallis.org)).

## **Rummage Sale Storage Available Now**

Items for the annual rummage sale may now be brought to room 8 for donation. Items will be collected throughout the summer, and in August the sale will offer a chance to live our values as we re-use things donated by others and support the UUFC financially with the proceeds of the sale. You can start now to sort out and bring your clean, usable donations: from hats to shoes to housewares, to furniture, musical instruments, jewelry, giftware, tools, books, lamps, craft materials, kitchen stuff, stationery, gardening and camping gear, tools, bicycles, art, toys, baby gear, children's clothes, linens, collectibles, and more, many things can be sold. *(Sorry, we do not sell big exercise machines, old software, older computers/monitors/TVs, paint, poisons, tires, halogen lamps, or broken items – those must be recycled elsewhere. Save adult clothing for the Women's Retreat fundraiser.)* Help the workers by labeling electrical and mechanical items with a note on their working condition.

Please remember that donated items in room 8 are for sale in August – make a note of what you'd like to buy, but don't remove them prematurely!

## **Staff members attending UUA General Assembly**

Michael Molk and Jill McAllister, along with Susan Christie, are attending the UUA General Assembly in Columbus, Ohio, which finishes today. Thanks to Jesse Ford and Patricia Parcells, off-site delegates, who have facilitated live-streaming of the GA from the Fellowship this week. Jill will return to Corvallis on Wednesday.