

Explore. Love. Act.

We gather as an inclusive religious community to search for meaning, build deep connections, and inspire action toward a better world for all.

ORDER OF SERVICE

9:30 and 11:00 a.m.

THE GATHERING OF THE COMMUNITY

(COMING FROM GRATITUDE)

MUSIC FOR GATHERING

WELCOME Jill McAllister

INTROIT *“Here Together”* *David Glasgow*
We are here, here together in this holy moment, and we’re grateful for the winding road that brought us to this place.” (repeat)

OPENING WORDS

LIGHTING OF THE CHALICE

WISDOM FROM THE WORLD’S TRADITIONS

TIME FOR ALL AGES

SHARED SINGING #131 “Love Will Guide Us”

AFFIRMING OUR CONNECTIONS

(HONORING THE PAIN OF THE WORLD)

SHARING OF SORROWS AND JOYS

SHARED SINGING #86 “Blessed Spirit of My Life”

SPOKEN MEDITATION AND SHARING OF SILENCE

MUSIC FOR REFLECTION

SEARCHING FOR WISDOM AND INSPIRATION

(SEEING WITH NEW EYES)

READING

SERMON *“Ghafflah: The Greatest Sin”*

THE OFFERING

If you are visiting today, we do not expect you to contribute. If, however, you feel moved to help support our shared work, we welcome your contribution.

MUSIC FOR REFLECTION *“Ta tiki te”* Choir

GIVING THANKS FOR ALL THAT SUSTAINS US

From the countless gifts we each have been given, gifts of life and love and sustenance, we bring these small portions, to share in the works of love which none of us can accomplish alone.

STEWARDSHIP *“Tending Our Flame”*

RETURNING TO THE WORLD

(GOING FORTH)

ANNOUNCEMENTS

CLOSING SONG *“Here Together”* *David Glasgow*
We have spent time together, and these holy moments give us strength to go down the winding road until we meet again. (repeat)
And my prayer for you is a peace that’s true (pause) until we meet again.

CLOSING WORDS

WORDS FOR REFLECTION

We have forgotten who we are.
We have alienated ourselves from the unfolding of the cosmos.
We have become estranged from the movements of the earth.
We have turned our backs on the cycles of life.

We have sought only our own security, we have exploited simply for our own ends, we have distorted our knowledge, we have abused our power.

Now the land is barren and the waters are poisoned and the air is polluted. Now the forests are dying and the creatures are disappearing and the humans are despairing.

We ask forgiveness.
We ask for the gift of remembering.
We ask for the strength to change.

UN Environmental Sabbath Program

House Manager: *Chris Daly*
Flowers: *Roberta Smith*

This month our Social Concerns Collection and after-service bake sales will support the Partner Church Committee’s work with our partner congregation in Korispatak, Transylvania, Romania, especially for scholarships for high-school students.

We are a UUA Green Sanctuary congregation and an endorser of the Earth Charter.
We welcome and celebrate the presence and participation of transgender, gay, lesbian, heterosexual and bisexual people.
We are an official Welcoming Congregation of the UUA.



Please turn your hearing aid switch to the “T” setting to receive an enhanced signal from our hearing aid loop system.

We respectfully request that you not wear scented products to church in consideration of those with allergies.

MEETINGS, EVENTS AND ACTIVITIES

Today, March 15, 2015

- ~ Please join us after services in the Social Hall for refreshments and conversation. Introduce yourself to someone you don't know.
- ~Copies of Monthly Readings to Share with Family and Friends are available today in the foyer.
- ~Tickets for Emma's Revolution concert at UUFC April 11, on sale today. \$17 advance / \$20 at the door.
- ~ 12:30 Future Structures Task Force – open discussion, Gallery

Our **annual stewardship pledge drive** continues today. The goal is that all UUFC members and friends participate, by returning your pledge form before April 5. Stewardship committee members can help you find out how to access the materials and make your pledge online.

This week at the UUFC:

Tues. Mar. 17 7 pm World Religions Discussion with Patti White. This month – Islam. All are welcome.

~7 p.m. Living with Loss UUFC Library *A meeting for any and all who are working through illness, grief, loss of loved ones, and life transitions, with Jill McAllister.*

Wed, Mar. 18 6 pm Potluck Supper, Social Hall

~7 pm UUFC Choir *New singers always welcome*

~7 pm Leading from Spiritual Depth *Adult leadership class.*

Thurs. Mar. 19 Noon –

~6:45 pm Session Six: Pastoral Care Training

Fri. Mar. 20 10:30 am Insight Meditation, Room 9

A practice taught by the Buddha - no experience needed.

~ 7 p.m. Kirtan Chanting and Meditation Circle, Rm 7

An opportunity for kirtan chanting and meditation.

~7 p.m. Wheel of the Year Worship: Ostara (Spring Equinox) *celebrating the return of the light and the balance between day and night*

Next Sunday, March 22, 2015

~9:30 "Ummah: The Islamic World Today" Jill McAllister

11 a.m. "Ummah: The Islamic World Today" Leslie Chartier

~7 p.m. Monthly Vespers Service

Plan Ahead

March 28 – UUFC Dance for all comers, with *Flow!*

Apr. 5 – All stewardship pledge forms turned in

Apr. 11 UUFC Grounds work party

Apr. 11 Emma's Revolution in concert at UUFC

NEWCOMERS AND VISITORS: Welcome! Please stop at the Greeter Desk in the foyer to sign a Connection Card and obtain information. *If you are interested in joining the UUFC at this time, please stop at the Greeter Desk, or contact the minister, Jill McAllister, at minister@uucorvallis.org*

RELIGIOUS EXPLORATION (RE) For Children and Youth:

Childcare is available for babies and toddlers during the 9:30 and 11:00 AM worship services. Religious Exploration classes are offered for all children pre-school through high school during the Sunday 11:00 AM worship services, finishing at 12:15 p.m. *Newcomers, please register your children at the RE registration table in the foyer.*

PASTORAL CARE: The Caring Connection is our shared ministry of congregational care and concern. If you or someone you know needs help in time of illness, crisis, or transition, please contact our minister, or Nancy Lindsey, Caring Connection Chair.

UUFC depends on the contributions of its members and friends for support—thank you for your help! Those wishing to make a donation may do so during the offering, or leave it in the donation box on the wall by the bulletin board in the foyer.

Unitarian Universalist Fellowship of Corvallis

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Minister: **Jill K. McAllister**

Director of Life Span Religious Exploration:

Michael Molk

Religious Exploration Associate: **Ann Mbacke**

Office Administrator: **Yaney LA MacIver**

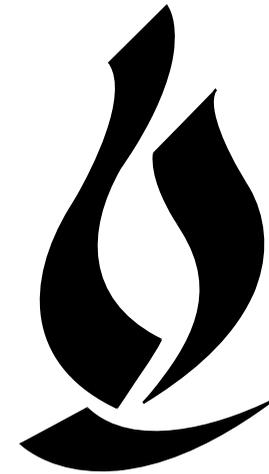
Music Director: **David Servias**

Pianist: **Lauren Servias**

Board of Trustees President: **Kyle Jansson**

Childcare Coordinator: **Barb Holmes**

Unitarian Universalist Fellowship of Corvallis



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“Ghaflah: The Greatest Sin”

The Rev. Jill K. McAllister

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