

FELLOWSHIP

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"The important thing is to never stop questioning."

—Albert Einstein



UUFC WEEKLY ANNOUNCEMENTS

August 27, 2017

SUNDAY, AUGUST 27

10:00 AM Childcare available
Summer childrens classes
10:00 AM Worship Service
First Steps Class (LIB)

Sign up today after the service for Connect Up activities in September!

Join us after the service on the Social Hall Deck (just today) 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? JOIN OUR FIRST STEPS COORDINATOR, ELONA MEYER TODAY IN THE LIBRARY. (elonameyer@msn.com)

BECOME A MEMBER OF THE UUFC!
Our next MEMBERSHIP CLASS meets in OCTOBER. Sign up at the welcome table in the foyer.

Let us question, be curious, and contemplate the world we live in.

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

www.uucorvallis.org/?page_id=239

Summer Worship | One Service at 10:00 AM

Aug. 27 QUESTION BOX SUNDAY

Rev. Jill McAllister

What have you learned this year about courage? Or about UUism, or your religious life? What are you curious about? Are there religious or theological questions that interest you or bother you? The "sermon" this Sunday is a chance to ask any and all questions – Jill will do her best to respond.

Next week: Sept. 3

Sept. 3 THE WORLD WE HAVE

Rev. Jill McAllister, Elizabeth Sollie

As the new church year approaches, we take time to ground ourselves, and to breathe deeply, in this service of meditations, music, prayers and readings.

Upcoming Services

Two worship services, at 9:30 and 11AM, begin again on September 10, our Homecoming Sunday.

Sept. 10 HOMECOMING SUNDAY

Rev. Jill McAllister and All

Two services, at 9:30 and 11:00 AM begin today, our Homecoming Sunday. Both services will include the Joining of the Waters Ceremony. All are invited to bring a SMALL amount of water from a place important to you, to pour into the common bowl, as we remember that Water is Life. We'll also be introducing and commissioning our RE Guides for this year.

Sept. 17 "Gonna Keep on Moving Forward"

Rev. Jill McAllister

Last year we struck out boldly to be brave in hard times. This year we must keep going! What will we need to stay on this road, to embrace the whole journey? I think faithfulness will be very important. (And I don't mean believing in things that aren't true.)

THE SOCIAL JUSTICE/OUTREACH OFFERING THIS MONTH WILL GO TO MCKINNEY HOMELESS EDUCATION PROGRAM

HAPPENING SOON

ANNUAL LABOR DAY TUNA ROAST Sept. 4

Monday, Sept 4, is the 21st UUFC Labor Day party, and with over 200 people of all ages attending, we need help with the set-up, clean-up, barbequeing, corn shucking/ cooking, and lemonade. How about you volunteer to be the leader of one of those activities? We need someone with a truck and a strong helper to pick up five of the long tables on the back deck of UUFC, and return them afterwards. Contact: Rich Brainerd, 541-740- 2961 to volunteer to help.

~ANNUAL CARPET CLEANING Monday, August 28
Plan ahead! The carpets will be getting their annual cleaning on Monday, August 28. The Fellowship will be closed that day so the carpet cleaners can do their work.

~CONNECT UP: Sign-Ups for September on August 27
The Connect Up committee coordinates opportunities for us to gather in a variety of interest based small groups to better get to know one another.
SIGN UP today, Sunday, August 27th, to participate in or to host an activity in September! In August, our Connect Up opportunities included a potluck, hiking, playing croquet, the book club, a musical jam session, a show at the Majestic Theater, and playing board games. What are your interests? Questions: contact Wendy Sutton (connect@uucorvallis.org). Visit Connect Up on the UUFC website http://uucorvallis.org/?page_id=3776. September events will be posted shortly after the Sign Up.

~ JOIN UUFC JUSTICE WORK IN THE NEW CHURCH YEAR
The new church year approaches, and with it opportunities to join in the many ways the UUFC works for justice in our wider communities. Do you want to be more involved in climate justice work, or anti-racism work, immigration and refugee issues, homelessness and access to housing, or health care for all? Would you like to help provide direct care and support for others in the Fellowship during times of crisis and transition? Connect with UU's around the world? Sundays in September will bring more information and a chance to join in. Stay tuned!

FELLOWSHIP CONNECTIONS

WOMEN'S RETREAT

The UU Women's Retreat is just around the corner on the 6th, 7th, and 8th of October. We are at a new venue, the HJ Andrews Experimental Forest Research Station Conference Center on the MacKenzie River east of Eugene. Our theme of "Playful Resilience" promises to be fun and relevant to the times in which we are living. We only have a few beds left so, if you are thinking about coming, sign up soon. Sign up this Sunday morning, before and after the service. Or, you may sign up online: http://uucorvallis.org/?page_id=2237. Questions? Contact Dianne Roth, dkayr@cmug.com or 541.740.9540

HELP FOR THE TORRES FAMILY

Thank you so much to everyone who has volunteered to help with cleaning the building during our custodian's bereavement. Thanks also for all who have contributed to the fund which is helping Felisa and her family pay for funeral costs for her daughter. You can still make a contribution, if you're interested, either at the Fellowship, or online at <https://www.gofundme.com/adriana-madrigal>

UUFC TO HELP MAKE WINTER SHELTER POSSIBLE THIS YEAR!

Last week, the Board of Trustees approved a proposal for the Fellowship to become the fiscal agent for the Men's Emergency Winter Shelter for the coming winter season. The details of our involvement are still being worked out, and the board was very diligent in their attention to the details of liability and risk this work might pose to the Fellowship. Members of our Homelessness and Access to Housing Task Force will be helping to staff the shelter with volunteers. Your participation will be welcome. Contact Jill McA or Roz Keeney if you're interested.

THE WEEK AHEAD: AUG 28 - SEPT 2

FELLOWSHIP CONNECTIONS

M, W, F Exercise/Aerobics, 8:00 AM, SH

Monday, Aug 28

8:30 AM	U UFC	U UFC Closed for annual carpet cleaning
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Wednesday, Aug 30

1:00 PM	N. Coop	Women's Lunch Bunch <i>Friendly conversation with women of the Fellowship. Contact: Elizabeth Waldorf (dewaldorf@comcast.net).</i>
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6:00 PM	SH	Weekly Potluck <i>Please bring a dish (with a list of ingredients) to share, and your own plate and utensils if possible. All are welcome.</i>
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7:00 PM	SFH	Laughing Labyrinth Yoga
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Thursday, Aug 31

6:00 PM	SH	Capoeira Angola
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Friday, Sept 1

10:15 AM	7	Insight Meditation <i>This is a simple yet profound practice originally taught by the Buddha. No experience is required. Contact: Mary Leigh Burke (maryleigh.burke@gmail.com).</i>
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SHARING THE HARVEST

Do you have extra garden produce to share? Bring it on Sundays, to the bench outside the Firwood Drive entrance to the U UFC, for sharing and exchange. Leftovers will be delivered to a food bank.

CONNECTION CIRCLES

Join a Connection Circle Series at noon, on Wednesdays, September 13, 20, and 27, focusing on our church year theme, Faithfulness. Related topics include commitment, trust, perseverance, and doubt, to name a few. How do we stick to a brave new path, once chosen? RSVP to Elona Meyer at elonameyer@msn.com.

HELP WANTED! GREETERS NEEDED!

Here's an opportunity to practice inclusivity, warmth, open arms, and smiles, lots of smiles. Become a U UFC Greeter, extending hospitality to all who enter our doors. You will find that this is an immensely satisfying experience. It's more important than ever! Contact Chris at Lchrisbentley@gmail.com or 541-602-0966.

U UFC MEN'S RETREAT

Fri – Sun October 20 - 22.

For information and registration, visit the U UFC website (http://uucorvallis.org/?page_id=2660) or contact Lloyd Wagenschutz, 541-753-9071.

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 UUCF Website
www.uucorvallis.org

 FACEBOOK
facebook.com/uucorvallis

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twitter.com/uucorvallis

JUSTICE WORK: A CALL TO ACTION

The NY Times has posted the extensive new U.S. Climate Science Special Report (final 2017 draft). Scientists fear that the report is in danger of rejection or distortion by the U.S. government, further hindering critical action on climate change. See the report:

<https://www.nytimes.com/interactive/2017/08/07/climate/document-Draft-of-the-Climate-Science-Special-Report.html>

ACTION: There's still time! Call or fax your senators and representatives to support the report. Phone / free fax numbers here (on the Climate Portal): <http://climate.uu-uno.org/>.

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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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SUMMER HOURS
Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday
10:00 AM - 2:00 PM

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