

FELLOWSHIP

WAYSIDE PULPIT

Faith is a place of mystery, where we find the courage to believe in what we cannot see and the strength to let go of our fear of uncertainty..

-Brene Brown



UUFC WEEKLY ANNOUNCEMENTS

February 18, 2018

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 18

9:30 AM Childcare available
Worship Service

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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 ORIENTATION TO MEMBER-
SHIP CLASS is April 7, 2018. Sign up at
the welcome table in the foyer for the
next class.

*Spirit of Life, give us the
courage to live with deep
faith..*

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

Feb. 18 "Faith as Yes-to-Life" Rev. Mark Gallagher, guest minister

Faith, and faithfulness, is an attitude toward the living of our lives – with a deep "yes" in our hearts. Rev. Mark Gallagher served as minister of the UU Church of Vancouver, WA for 21 years. He joins us this week to offer the the first of two sermons exploring an understanding and practice of faithful living.

Also today:

~Today is the final day to sign up for the Mark Gallagher workshop next Sunday. Visit the RE table in the foyer for more information or to register.

~Adult RE opportunity: 6 Sources Cafe discusses the Fourth Source, Jewish and Christian Teachings which call us to respond to God's love by loving our neighbors as ourselves, 12:30, LIB.

New Opportunity:

A listener from the Fellowship Care and Support Team will be available on Monday afternoons at the Fellowship, from 2-4 pm if anyone wants to talk.

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

Feb. 25 "The Heart of Faith"

Rev. Mark Gallagher, guest minister

Rev. Mark Gallagher returns for the second part of his exploration of the practice of faithful living, drawing from his 30+ years of studying and practicing Buddhism, and an even longer interest in the mystery of consciousness. His workshop "Cultivating a Faithful Heart" will be offered from 1-4 pm with lunch included.

THE SOCIAL JUSTICE/OUTREACH OFFERING THIS MONTH SUPPORTS Corvallis Men's Cold Weather Shelter

HAPPENING SOON

Mark your calendars! Town Hall on March 17 to discuss the new Bylaws.

Join us on Saturday, March 17 at 9:00 AM for important discussion regarding the UUFC Bylaws.

Local social justice opportunities open to all at the Episcopal Church of the Good Samaritan (333 NW 35th Street)

~Lenten Lectures: How the Old Testament Can Inform Social Justice Work Today. Five adult education lectures on Wednesdays, Feb. 21, 28, and March 7, 14, and 21. Each session will be start at 6:00 PM with a potluck supper in Simpson Hall and go until 8:30 or 9:00. We will have time for discussion and questions. This promises to be an informative and stimulating series, one that will clarify what we can do to reduce the suffering of the vulnerable among us. This year's Lenten Lectures will feature joint sessions by Dr. Sheldon Greaves and Dr. Melissa Bird. Sheldon is a scholar in Hebrew Bible and Melissa is a professor at Portland State University where she teaches Social Justice Advocacy. Together they will explore the ancient Hebrew roots of Christianity's mandate to care for the poor, and how it can inform and inspire today's efforts to mediate the effects of poverty and homelessness, especially in our local community.

~Spiritual Practices – Lent and Beyond: The Lenten program will be held at 9:15AM, in the Bishop Katharine Lounge, on Sundays, February 18 and 25. The first session will review two important spiritual practices: Silent Meditation (also known as "Centering Prayer"), and Lectio Divina (Divine Reading). Silent meditation, or "sitting still, doing nothing," is a practice common to many world religions, including Christianity. Lectio, or "listening with the ear of the heart," is also an ancient practice, dating at least to the time of Saint Benedict. Participants will be guided through both practices by experienced practitioners. The second session will offer a moderated opportunity for participants to hear about the spiritual experiences of others, and to share their own experiences.

~Walking with Grace: A 5 week class on Friday mornings, from 10 am – noon, starting Feb. 16. We'll meet in the Lounge. If you're planning to come, please call the Good Sam church office 541-757-6647 to pre-register or call if you have questions.

FELLOWSHIP CONNECTIONS

Connect UP

Sign up on February 25th to participate in or to host an activity in MARCH! Questions: contact Wendy Sutton at connect@uucorvallis.org. Visit Connect Up on the UUFC website http://uucorvallis.org/?page_id=3776. March events will be posted shortly after the Sign Up.

Save the date: Post-Sermon Response on Sunday, March 11

We will discuss Jill's sermon after the second service on March 11. Facilitated by Shika Ghosh-Gottfried.

Looking for help running the Services Auction on May 12

We still need someone to help lead this annual fundraiser if we are going to make the event happen! Please consider volunteering.

Sign Up To Be A Chalice Lighter

Children, adults, families -- all are invited to be Sunday chalice lighters. No reading required, OR, if you wish, you may volunteer to read the chalice lighting words in addition to lighting the chalice. Sign up on the schedule by Jill's office door, in the classroom wing.

THE WEEK AHEAD:

Feb 19 - Feb 24

FELLOWSHIP CONNECTIONS

Monday, Feb 19	Criminal Justice Action Group	6:30 PM LIB
	Shawl Ministry	7:00 PM Room 7
Tuesday, Feb 20	Life Raft Corvallis <i>Family members and friends dealing with a loved one's drug addiction are welcome to come share a confidential discussion. Questions? Contact Marcia Chapman (541-757-3809)</i>	6:30 PM Room 7
Wednesday, Feb 21	Women's Lunch Bunch <i>Friendly conversation with women of the Fellowship. Contact: Elizabeth Waldorf (dewaldorf@comcast.net).</i>	1:00 PM N. Co-op
	Weekly Potluck <i>Please bring a dish (with a list of ingredients) to share. All are welcome.</i>	6:00 PM SH/K
	Trans Support Craft Night	7:45 PM SH
Thursday, Feb 22	Spirit of Justice Community Forum	6:30 PM SFH
	Equity, Diversity, and Inclusion (EDI) Meeting	7:00 PM Room 7
Friday, Feb 23	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>	10:15 AM Room 7
	Kirtan Meditation Group	7:00 PM Room 7

Help us, help you! The Fellowship has created a new system for communicating about life transitions or emergencies, especially if help is needed. If you have an important transition (e.g. illness, death, birth, engagement, etc.) that you'd like us to know about or to announce, please email: transitions@uucorvallis.org.

Study Leave

Rev. Jill McAllister is taking a study leave during the month of February. The February newsletter included a list of who to contact, and for what, while she's gone. If you have questions about the study leave, or about Fellowship operations during this time, please talk to Jamie Petts.

Budgeting Process

This year the Fellowship is going to ask all teams, task forces, and committees to meet with their council to talk about their work and budget needs for next year. If you are a team or task force leader, begin thinking with your group about the work you want to accomplish in the coming year. Watch for an email from your council to schedule one or two meetings in early March: One meeting will be for discovery, discussion and suggested line items, and the second meeting will be to agree on budget proposals, by council.

Nothing that is worth doing can be achieved in our lifetime; therefore we must be saved by hope. Nothing which is true or beautiful or good makes complete sense in any immediate context of history; therefore we must be saved by faith. Nothing we do, however virtuous, can be accomplished alone; therefore we are saved by love.

-Reinhold Niebuhr

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Opening Words

Feb 18, 2018

This is why we come together:

To greet each other and to be thankful.

To remember that we are not alone, and that how we live affects others.

To rest from our busy schedules and our busy minds and our busy hearts.

To take some time to breathe, and to listen deeply to others and ourselves.

To encourage each other, and to be encouraged, to live in right relations.

To find strength and courage to live in love, and to let love live through us.

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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 noon Wednesday to office@uucorvallis.org with the subject line: weekly announcement.

NEED TO CONTACT US?

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Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday

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