



THE WEEK AHEAD Nov 20-Nov 26, 2016

Upcoming Services & Events at the UU Fellowship of Corvallis

Today, Sunday, Nov 20, 2016

~Please join us after the service in the Social Hall for coffee. Introduce yourself to someone you don't know.

*~**Special Congregational Meeting**, after each service: authorizing sale of a small additional piece of land to the Corvallis Zen Circle. Meeting begins at 10:30 am, recesses for 2nd service, resumes at 12:15 PM. Voting members please sign in beginning at 9:00 AM, through 12:30 PM, and stay briefly after each service to vote. Information and discussion of the motion are available from 11:00 – 12:15 in the Library.*

The Week Ahead: Nov 21-Nov 27, 2016

Office hours: Mon & Wed, 10:30 AM-1:30PM and Tues & Thur, 9:00 AM-2:00 PM.

- **Exercise/Aerobics**, Mon, Wed, Fri, 4:00 PM (SH)
- **Potluck for Families with Kids** Mon Nov. 21, 5:45 PM (SH)
- **Intern Minister Committee** Mon Nov 21, 6 PM
- **Shawl Ministry** Mon Nov 21 7 PM (LIB) Knitting, crocheting, and other crafts, for shawls for those in need.
- **UUA Common Read Book Group**, Tue Nov 22, 7:00 PM (9)

The Third Reconstruction: Moral Mondays, Fusion Politics, and Rise of a New Justice Movement book group.

Contact: Susan Breckenridge (sbreck@peak.org).

- **Women's Lunch Bunch**, Wed Nov 23, 1:00 PM (North Co-op)

Friendly conversation with women of the Fellowship. Contact: Elizabeth Waldorf (dewaldorf@comcast.net).

- **Weekly Potluck Supper**, Wed Nov 23, 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.

- **UUFC Choir Rehearsal**, Wed Nov 23, 7:00 PM (SFH & 6B)

- **Thanksgiving Day Soccer Game for all ages** Thursday, Nov. 24, 1:00 PM Garfield School

An intergenerational pick-up soccer game – rain or shine! Plenty of time to clean up afterward for dinner.

- **FestEvent Thanksgiving Gathering**, Thur Nov 24, 4:30 PM Social Hour, 5:30 PM Dinner

Annual Thanksgiving meal at the UUFC. We cook four turkeys, mashed potatoes, gravy, and a vegan and gluten free tofu turkey and gravy. You bring a potluck dish. PLEASE RSVP by Sun. Nov. 20. Sign-up sheets are in the foyer after Sunday services. Call Rich Brainerd (541-740-2961) with questions or to be a volunteer.

- **Insight Meditation**, Fri Nov 25, 10:15 AM (9)

Insight Meditation is a simple yet profound practice originally taught by the Buddha. No experience is required.

Contact: Mary Leigh Burke (maryleigh.burke@gmail.com).

- **Kirtan Meditation**, Fri Nov 25, 7:00 PM (7)

Kirtan comes from ancient Hindu traditions of chanting as devotional practice, to calm minds and open hearts.

Plan Ahead

Winter Lights UUFC Open House, Fri Dec 2, 4 – 8:30 PM (SH/K, Foyer, Gallery, 6BC) *A cozy evening of Fellowship artists, specialty foods, café, music, and more. Sign up sheets available on Sundays Nov. 20 and 27.*

Dec. 15 7:00 PM Vespers Service, with Elizabeth Sollie

Dec. 18 3:00 PM Wheel of the Year Yule (Winter Solstice) Ceremony

Dec. 20 5:00 PM Annual Christmas Carol Sing-a-long

Dec. 24, Christmas Eve – 2 services, at 5:00 PM (family centered), and 9:00 PM (meditation and music)

Dec. 25, Sunday, Christmas Day – one service only, 11:00 AM, followed by a potluck brunch, for all ages

Next Sunday: November 27

9:30 AM "Courage Along the Way" Jill McAllister

There are many examples of courage and bravery among us, through the years of U-U movements around the world. Some of the bravest may be in our midst.

11:00 AM "What Are UU Brave For? Our Rainbow Of Principles" UUFC Children and Youth

A worship service presented by all the children and youth in our RE program, and their adult guides. We'll hear about some famous, and not so famous, UUs, past and present, who acted on our 7 UU principles.

*May our grounding in Life help us to understand the work we are called to do,
within and beyond ourselves, to make the world whole.*

Special Congregational Meeting TODAY, Sunday Nov. 20 (All voting members needed)

The congregation voted overwhelmingly in May to sell the house next door to the Corvallis Zen Circle for their use as a worship space (temple). To accommodate CZC's plan for their worship hall (zendo), we have offered to sell a small addition to the house's lot. Voting takes place immediately after each service. Please see <http://uucorvallis.org/wp-content/uploads/2014/03/Congregation-Vote-on-Land-Sale.pdf> for more information. You can join Kyle Jansson for an information session in the UUFC Library, 11:00 AM-12:15 PM.

Winter Lights UUFC Open House, Friday, Dec. 2, 4:00 – 8:30 PM Come out, and come in to a cozy winter evening at the Fellowship. Enjoy the café, Fellowship vendors, specialty foods for sale, music from Fellowship musicians, children's holiday craft-making, and more. Sign up to donate food and goods, or to help with the event, in the foyer today and next week, or call the church office. Do you have stacks of fabric at home? We'll be making and selling pillowcases at the Open House. If you have flannel, cotton, or cotton mix that you would like to donate, we would love to have it. You can leave it in the office or give it to Elizabeth Sollie (intern@uucorvallis.org). Thanks!

Needed: Volunteers to help with young children during 9:30 AM worship

We're seeing more children, ages 4-5-6, coming to the Fellowship with their parents during Sunday 9:30 AM worship. We need to add a play session for these children, separate from the infant/toddler care already provided at that time. You can still attend 11:00 AM worship while helping with this much-needed service. To volunteer, speak with DLRE Michael Molk or RE Associate Rachel Kohler or email molk@uucorvallis.org

Building Workparty

Saturday, December 3 from 9:00 AM-12:00 PM, the Building Maintenance Committee will host a workparty to tend to our building as winter begins. Watch for an email announcement to sign up.

Coming of Age (COA) for 7th/8th Grade Youth

Registration deadline for participation is December 18th. Contact DLRE Michael Molk for more information and to sign up: molk@uucorvallis.org, 541-752-5218 x225.

Holiday Religious Exploration Recess

No RE sessions for children and youth on December 25th and January 1st. RE will resume on January 8th, 2017. All children, youth, infants and toddlers, are invited to attend the worship services on those days.

Post-Election Readings Available on the UUFC Web Site: http://uucorvallis.org/?page_id=862

Many beautiful and inspirational readings have been shared between us, and continue to be gathered.

Holiday Singing

All are invited to the Fourth Annual Christmas Carol Sing-a-long, Tuesday, December 20 at 5:00 PM. And children and youth (and their parents!) are invited to join in a Children and Youth Choir for Christmas Eve, with rehearsals after the sing-a-long on December 20 and before the service on December 24.

Adult RE Class Proposals Needed

Do you have an idea for an adult Religious Education or Spiritual Growth class you would like to teach or lead this winter? Please fill out a proposal form. You can find them on the UUFC website under *Religious Exploration*>*Adult RE*>[Adult Religious Exploration Programs Proposal Form](#). Once you fill it out you can put it in the intern mailbox or give it to Elizabeth Sollie. Elizabeth, or anyone on the steering committee can answer questions and/or help with the form.

New to the Fellowship? Welcome!

Once a month we offer a one-hour First Steps orientation session. If you are new to UUFC, exploring Unitarian Universalism for the first time, and trying to find your way around the Fellowship, this is for you. At our First Steps class, you'll find out more about us, how we connect, and get a tour of the building. This First Steps class is offered every 4th Sunday during the school year at the new time of 11:10 AM. For more information, contact the First Steps coordinator, Elona Meyer (elonameyer@msn.com). Each quarter, we also offer two classes as part of the formal membership exploration process – UU Path and Membership. Register at the Welcome Table on Sundays.