

Unitarian Universalist Fellowship of Corvallis

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Weekly Announcements

Sunday, Feb 16 – Saturday, Feb 22

Sunday Worship 9:30 & 11 AM

“To Live With Not Knowing” Rev. Jill McAllister
There is ignorance, and there is not knowing, and we live with far more of both than we like to admit, even though both are sources of courage and strength toward ethical living.

Childcare for infants and toddlers is available at both services RE Sessions for older children and youth are offered at 11 AM.

The justice/outreach offerings and after-service refreshment donations on February Sundays support We Care, a local interfaith network which provides emergency aid for

families and individuals. Your contributions are appreciated.

Other Sunday Events

~ Refreshments in the Social Hall after each service. All are invited! Introduce yourself to someone you don't know.

~7 Principles Café, 12:30 PM, LIB

~Adult RE: Deep Time Perspective, 12:30 PM, SFH

~ “Our Shared Future” – UUFC's capital campaign. Would you like to join this campaign for our building, or do you have questions about it? You're invited to attend a meeting after the second service to learn more. Hosted by Herky Gottfried and Russ Karow.

The Week Ahead

Monday, Feb 17	Shawl Ministry	7:00 PM Room 7
	Living with Depression: Yours or Someone Else's <i>Final meeting for this season.</i>	7:00 PM Room 10
Tuesday, Feb 18	Elder Circle: A Conversation Café <i>First meeting of this group – all elders are welcome</i>	10:00 AM SH
	Chronic Illness Support <i>First meeting of this group – all are welcome</i>	11:30 AM Room 7
	Transgender/Non-Binary Meetup	11:30 AM SH/K
Wednesday, Feb 19	Women's Lunch Bunch	1:00 PM N. Coop
	Weekly Potluck <i>Bring a dish to share</i>	6:00 PM SH/K
Friday, Feb 21	Insight Meditation <i>A simple yet profound practice originally taught by the Buddha. No experience needed. Contact Mary Leigh Burke: maryleigh.burke@gmail.com</i>	10:15 AM Room 7
	Live Kirtan with Johanna Beekman	7:00 PM SFH
Saturday, Feb 22	Russian Dinner Fundraiser <i>Please purchase tickets ahead of time. See info below.</i>	5:00 PM SFH/SHK

Happening Soon

Our Whole Lives (OWL) for grades K-1: Registration is still open for Our Whole Lives (OWL), sexuality education program for our kindergarten-first grade group. Registration numbers for K-1 OWL are currently low, and we will need more participants to register in order to be able to offer the program this spring. If you are interested in registering your child, please contact Rev. Israel Buffardi, Assistant Minister for Religious Exploration: assistantminister@uucorvallis.org.

The Adult Religious Exploration Team hosts a series of Elders Circle discussion groups: The Elders Circle is for anyone who identifies as an elder and would like to join in meaningful discussion with others about living fully and seeking connection in elderhood. The first circle will be held on Tuesday, February 18, from 10-11:30 AM, in the social hall, with a focus on the importance of community and connection in elderhood. Contact Israel at assistantminister@uucorvallis.org.

Living with Chronic Health Problems: Many of us have had our daily functioning compromised by a chronic illness. These might include stroke, Parkinson's Disease, rheumatoid arthritis, fibromyalgia, chronic fatigue syndrome, and other conditions. We often feel overwhelmed, and sometimes hopeless. We wonder if we will ever feel "normal" again, able to do the things we used to do so easily. Once again, several Fellowship members would like to gather a peer support group for folks with chronic illness, and their families and friends. We'll share support, information, and discuss coping strategies, resources, and options. The first meeting will be Tuesday, February 18 at 11:30 AM. If you have questions, please e-mail Jill McAllister at minister@uucorvallis.org.

LAST CHANCE for the Russian Dinner Fundraiser (at the Fellowship): A reminder that the Russian Dinner Fundraiser on Feb. 22 at 5:00 PM still has seats available. The donation is \$20.00 per person and if you need to write a check, please make it payable to UUFC. We will be serving in the Social Hall at the Fellowship. Ernest Cardona will have a table set up in the foyer to reserve your spot in person on Sunday (or cardonalaw3@gmail.com, 541-753-0423).

UUFC Justice Theater presents: The Vagina Monologues, February 28 & 29 at 7:30 PM: a fabulous group of community performers (including several from our Fellowship!) will be presenting Eve Ensler's, *The Vagina Monologues*, directed by Kimberly Gifford Olbrich right here in our sanctuary. This production will benefit the Center Against Rape and Domestic Violence and the Mid-Willamette Trans Support Network, so not only can you experience an amazing piece of theatre, you can also support two local organizations that do crucial work in our community. The performance is pay-what-you-can: \$20, \$5, \$1, ten cents, nothing. Everyone should have a chance to experience theatre! Tickets can be purchased for your preferred price online, and we will also be accepting cash donations on the night of the performance, but interest in this performance has been high, so it's possible we could hit our seating capacity. For this reason, we recommend reserving your ticket ahead of time! You can do so at the following link: <https://corvallisvday.brownpapertickets.com/>. Questions about the performances may be directed to producer Rachel Kohler at reassociate@uucorvallis.org. *PLEASE NOTE: Due to content and language, this performance may not be appropriate for children. Parents may use their discretion.*

Coalition Building Workshop with Linda Jamarillo: Saturday, March 8, 9 AM - 1:30 PM. For leaders of **Justice Action Teams** and their guests. Ann Pemberton (annpmbtrn126@gmail.com) or Larry Roper (larry.roper@oregonstate.edu)

Quiet in the Heart: Living in Alignment - A joint retreat – Corvallis Zen Center and UUFC, Friday evening and Saturday, **March 13 and March 14**. All are welcome to join in this shared retreat focusing on practice to help align us with our highest values in these challenging times. Beginning Friday evening, and continuing Saturday, the 10-hour program will include meditation (seated and walking), teaching, journaling, shared silence, and discussion. A children's practice may be included. Led by Mushin Abby Terris and Rev. Jill McAllister. Registration available beginning Sunday, Feb. 16.

Fellowship Connections

UUFC Room Reservation Requests – New Process! Please send all new UUFC room reservation requests to roomreservations@uucorvallis.org. Room reservation requests are processed on Mondays and Wednesdays.

UUFC Directories

~InstantChurchDirectory.com is always available (online or download the app). This online directory is the most recent, up-to-date directory we have available. You can even submit a photo if you'd like. Sign up using your email and a password that you create.

~Paper directories: With nearly 400 members and friends, this is a large, resource-intensive directory, so we only print them a couple of times each year.

~Coming soon! Lifetouch Photo Directory. Stay tuned for an announcement of when these photo directories will be available.

Thank-You! Thank-you! Thank you to Chris Kastella and Kathy Johnson for replacing lightbulbs at the Fellowship with LEDs. (You can thank others in the Fellowship by posting thank-you notes on the bulletin board in the foyer.)

Upcoming Sundays

Feb. 23 9:30 and 11 AM Rev. Israel Buffardi

Mar. 1 9:30 and 11 AM Rev. Jill McAllister

Words For Reflection

American Heartbreak

I am the American heartbreak—

Rock on which Freedom

Stumps its toe—

The great mistake

That Jamestown

Made long ago.

Langston Hughes

Pledge Reports and Updates

Statements of annual giving (pledges) are were recently mailed Thank you to all who make pledges of financial support to the Fellowship – we wouldn't exist without this support!

If you have questions about your pledge record, or anything else related to your financial support, please contact our business manager, Jean Gilbert at businessmgr@uucorvallis.org.

Reports of capital campaign pledges were also recently mailed (the “Our Shared Future” campaign, for our building enhancement project, which is now in its third and final year.) We are making progress toward our goals, and making beautiful future possibilities begin to become realities.

Thanks to all who are part of this work! It's not too late to join in, if you haven't. Look for information about how to join in the letters, *or attend a meeting on Sunday, Feb. 16, after the second service.*

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Office Hours

Monday & Wednesday 10 AM – 2 PM

Tuesday & Thursday 8 AM – 12 PM

*The UUFC Office is closed on all federal holidays.

Fellowship Care and Support Team listeners are available on Sundays for anyone looking for support. Ask at the welcome desk in the foyer.