Weekly Announcements

Unitarian Universalist Fellowship of Corvallis

FEBRUARY 6 · 2022

Sunday Worship
ONE SERVICE ONLY, ON ZOOM, AT 10:00 AM
“BLESSINGS AND BANISHMENTS: AN IMBOLC WORSHIP SERVICE”
Join in as we continue our journey on the Wheel of the Year, arriving at Imbolc, halfway between the Winter Solstice and the Spring Equinox. This service for all ages is on Zoom, beginning at 10 am.

Then, if you like, join in person at 11:30 am on the Fellowship’s back deck for a ritual of banishment – writing down what you want to let go of, and adding it to the fire.

Zoom Link: https://us06web.zoom.us/j/83166690076?pwd=UjhIa29HZG1kVDQ1RVdNZXliSHpVUT09

Reminder: You can watch recordings of Sunday services in the Sermon Archives here.

Sunday Services on Facebook Live
This Sunday’s service will be livestreamed on Facebook as an alternate way for people to attend. To watch, visit this link at 10 AM: https://www.facebook.com/uucorvallis/live

In-person services return Feb. 11
Let’s begin again, with the plan we had for January until Omicron caused a pause. One in-person Sunday service each Sunday, at 10 AM. Current COVID protocols will be in place: proof of vaccination, masks indoors, spacing and ventilation in the Sanctuary (though we’ll try to make it a little warmer!) No reservation needed - up to 40 people can attend, on a first come first served basis.

In need of your Cafe Justo?
Our fair-trade coffee is still available, by contacting Nancy Kyle at n.kyle12@gmail.com
Responding Skillfully When Hard Stuff Happens in Groups  
Saturday, Feb. 5 10am - noon - online at https://us02web.zoom.us/j/510347014

Strong emotions lie unexpectedly closer to the surface, and these days many of us have become more vulnerable in community than is comfortable. Even in the best of times, upset and hurt can be caused despite our best intentions, even when we are in agreement. Meaningful dialogue when true differences or disagreements are present often can be difficult, and needs skills. It's become easier and less painful to simply withdraw than to stay engaged, hoping that things will somehow magically change.

And yet. Religious community is where we practice the art of belonging, helping each other to grow and deepen our spiritual lives, understanding that all thriving must be mutual. In that spirit, UUFC is offering this beginning to practical, skills-based training, to help increase our collective ability to compassionately navigate disagreement and strong emotions. We'll consider "group dynamics," and ways to respond skillfully and with care when emotions start to run high and hard stuff begins to happen. These situations are always possible -- perhaps even more so now as everything we do carries more worry for the world and adds to our personal burdens.

If you can't come Feb. 5 this conversation will be repeated on Thursday, Feb. 24, 7 PM. It will also be recorded. It is likely the beginning of a series of skills-based training conversations. RSVP: jessecand22@gmail.com, or just arrive (on time, please!)

Join Zoom Meeting: https://us02web.zoom.us/j/510347014  
Meeting ID: 510 347 014  
Dial in: +1 253 215 8782 US (Tacoma)

EDI Study Group: The 1619 Project  
Starting Tuesday, February 22, join in a three-part book discussion series focusing on "The 1619 Project, created by Nikole Hannah-Jones, offered by the Equity, Diversity and Inclusion justice team." We will meet Tuesdays, 7-8:30 PM via Zoom February 22, March 22, and April 26. RSVP to elonameyer@icloud.com to receive details.

SEEING WHITE:  
Anti-Racism Learning Circles, with Portland congregation

You are invited to join members of the First Unitarian Church of Portland Racial Justice Action Group for: SEEING WHITE: Anti-Racism Learning Circles. Since they're on Zoom, you can join from anywhere! For full descriptions, schedules & to register, go to LEARNING CIRCLE REGISTRATION

Learning Circles are small discussion cohorts based on a book or podcast that provide important learning about white supremacy, racism, and our national history, the opportunity to build trust and go deep in small group discussions over time, a safe space to have difficult conversations and deal with discomfort, creating and strengthening relationships with other UUs, connection, focus and purpose in a virtual setting. There are three different circles to choose from. These circles are free!

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SOCIAL CONCERNS OFFERING IN FEBRUARY
Stone Soup Corvallis, Inc.
Our February Social Concerns offerings will support Stone Soup, a local volunteer organization providing a full meal each day to any person in need. Three meal locations are now operating, serving meals "to go": St. Mary's Catholic Church, First Christian Church and Third Street Commons. Adult volunteers are needed. Learn more at stonesoupcorvallis.org.

To donate, go to the UUFC web page and click on the "SUNDAY DONATIONS" button.

Short-term summer housing needed
Ana Sayavedra grew up in the Fellowship. She and her wife are in need of short-term housing this summer, June - August, as they make a transition. They have two cats. Respond to Ana on Mighty Networks under Resource Sharing, or to sayavedl@peak.org if you have housing to share.

COVID Information
NEW! Online resource for those who have tested positive for COVID-19. Visit: Oregon.gov/positivecovidtest

Available on the website:
- Information about how to isolate
- An optional survey for those who have tested positive, available in 12 languages
- A phone number to speak with a trained professional

Also NEW! COVID-19 Support Hotline. Phone number: 866-917-8881 Hours: 8am-6pm Monday-Friday, 10am-4pm Saturday

MASKS ARE STILL NECESSARY!
The state-wide mandate of universal mask use for all public indoor settings is still in effect. N95 and KN95 masks are recommended, instead of surgical or cloth. We also ask that if you are on the Fellowship grounds for the purposes of eating or drinking, that you please maintain a minimum of 6 feet of social distance. Thank you for helping us keep each other safe!

Want to connect with us?

Sermon Archive
Meet our staff
Mighty Networks