Weekly Announcements

Unitarian Universalist Fellowship of Corvallis

APRIL 17 • 2022

Sunday Worship

ONE SERVICE ONLY, IN PERSON AND ON ZOOM, 10:00 AM

“EARTH DAY EVERYDAY” REV. JILL MCALLISTER

The major religious traditions of the world overlap this month in the observance of some of their major holidays. We UUs focus on one of ours - Earth Day - which is not limited to one date or season. We’re aiming to change how we live, every day. (This Sunday is Jill’s last Sunday before taking a sabbatical leave.)

No reservation needed, and there is no longer cap on attendance, but all other current COVID protocols are still in place. After the service, stay for an online coffee hour or join for coffee in person at 11:00 am on the Fellowship's back deck.

Zoom Link: https://zoom.us/j/96231448170?pwd=cUoxaWxyei9wOTE5cVFVZ0t0Qk5KUT09

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

Annual Stewardship Pledge Drive: Coming Back and Moving Forward.

The annual UUFC Stewardship Pledge Drive is underway. It is part of how we are literally Coming Back AND Moving Forward. An email with a link to online pledging was sent on Monday, April 11. If you did not receive it, you can pledge here: https://uucorvallis.org/2022-23-pledge-drive/. Our pledges are the way we support the life of the Fellowship, together. All members and friends are needed - please take time to read the materials and to thoughtfully consider what the Fellowship means to you and for you, and easily make your pledge online!

In-person Sunday activities for kids

All ages welcome. Not required, but if you can, let us know who you're bringing so that we have adequate adult support, using this RSVP form.

To watch the service on Facebook, visit this link https://www.facebook.com/uucorvallis/live
Covid-19 Updates

April 15th update from Kedo Baye, MHP:

Benton County: 147 cases per 100K in last 7 days, 123% increase from 2 weeks ago
Linn County: 59 cases per 100K in last 7 days, 55% increase from 2 weeks ago

The percentage of tests turning positive have ticked up in Benton County, more so than other Oregon counties. Statewide, hospitalizations in those 70+ have also ticked up. 147 cases per 100K is a far cry from 1,900 cases per 100K at the height of Omicron, so I’m not super concerned yet.

April 4th UUFC Pandemic Response Team Update:

The Team met to assess the current Covid numbers and to discuss the Fellowship’s Covid protocols. Here’s what was decided:
- Masks continue to be required indoors, preferably a N-95 or KN-95.
- There is no longer an attendance cap for the 10 AM Sunday Worship Service
- Increased ventilation (open doors, windows, and fans) in the Sanctuary now that the weather is improving.
- **The Sanctuary, Social Hall, and Library are now available for small group use at the Fellowship. No cap on the number of people, but masks and ventilation required.**
- The RE Wing is not available at this time except on Sundays.

Last, but not least, COVID-19 boosters are strongly recommended by the UUA and UUFC when you are eligible. Without a booster, those eligible have little vaccine protection from COVID-19. Please don’t skip your booster! Great places to get your booster are local pharmacies, and you can find local vaccine events here at this link.

Ministerial Sabbatical Begins April 18

Our minister, Jill McAllister, begins a four-month sabbatical leave on Monday, April 18. During this time, she is free of all Fellowship responsibilities. A list of contact persons and point persons during this time is available here.

Path Class for UUFC Membership

Are you new to the Fellowship and wondering about how to become a member? Here’s how you get started: Join us for the UU Path Class on Saturday, April 30, 9-11 AM. RSVP to bobbi.m.bailey@gmail.com.

Weekly Online Options

While we continue to slowly transition back to some in-person gathering, don't forget that there are still many weekly online offerings that you can participate in. Find the details, here: [https://uucorvallis.org/online-church-events/](https://uucorvallis.org/online-church-events/).

Tending Our Sorrows

A monthly community circle, Tuesdays, April 26, May 31, and June 28, 5-6:30 p.m., in the sanctuary. As spring blooms outside our doors, there is much to be grateful for. And yet we are also living in the midst of profound sorrow. We hope you will join us as we create a community of shared support. Facilitated by Anna Coffman and Susan Sanford. For more information, contact Anna at 978-760-0910, and Susan at 541-521-7416. Please note that UUFC protocol requiring proof of vaccination and masking will be followed.
SOCIAL CONCERNS OFFERING IN APRIL - Earth Month
Corvallis Parks & Recreation Urban Forestry

The urban environment is a challenging place for trees to thrive. This program works to extend the life of trees by providing the special care needed to grow trees under these conditions and to find creative and beneficial ways to reuse or recycle the wood, whether chipping to create mulch or by providing the wood to the public as firewood or wood for local artisans and craftspeople. The UUFC Climate Action Team is active in this work.

Learn more at https://www.corvallisoregon.gov/parksrec/page/trees-urban-forestry
To donate, go to the UUFC web page and click on the "SUNDAY DONATIONS" button.

Help Us Support Immigrants and Refugees

Strawberry, herb and lettuce bowls will be available Saturday, April 30 at Elaine Kahn’s farm and Sunday, May 1 after the service at the Fellowship. Just in time for Mother’s Day! Pick up a beautiful planter and support DACA recipients and asylum seekers. Brought to you by the Immigration and Refugee Support Team. Questions? Contact Nancy Kyle n.kyle12@gmail.com

Learning from Depression, Together

Our sharing and support circle continues, with meetings by Zoom every other Monday evening. The next meeting is Monday April 18, at 7 PM. All who live with depression in some form - yours or someone else’s, newly-appeared or very familiar - are invited to join in. Facilitators: John Morris and Tom Sattizahn. Join with this link: https://zoom.us/j/97411015708.

Earth Month - April 2022

April, Earth Month, is a time to renew our commitment to action to respect and care for the interdependent web of all existence, action that is more needed in 2022 than ever. To help us take action, the Climate Action Team is hosting Zoom events <https://zoom.us/j/92976516483>, 7:00 PM to 8:30 PM, on each of the four Wednesdays in April. You are invited and encouraged to participate.

- Wed 20 Apr: Dennis Feeney of UUFC and the Community Services Consortium
- Wed 27 Apr: Jack Elder, of UUFC.
Questions: jedirv@gmail.com or michael.a.hughes1951@gmail.com

Masks are still necessary!

The state-wide mandate of universal mask use for all public indoor settings has been lifted, but at the Fellowship, masks are still required, and N95 and KN95 masks are recommended, instead of surgical or cloth. We also ask that if you are on the Fellowship grounds outside eating or drinking, that you please maintain a minimum of 6 feet of social distance.

Want to connect with us?

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