



# THE UUFM VOICE

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## **MARCH 2014 PROGRAMS**

### **MARCH 2 "THE BIG PICTURE"**

Rev Michael Nelson reflects, "The large view of things challenges us to understand life in its entirety. Knowledge expands into wisdom when we sense how loving kindness connects us to what is most desperate and exquisite. Unitarian Universalism encourages us to release the petty into the generous, where hope becomes more than a word." Contact Michael at 537-2349 or minister@uufm.net.

### **MARCH 9 "GROWTH IN FRIENDSHIP"**

Fellowship members Dick Cattell and Laura Lott discuss an interesting series of conversations they've had over the last year or two. Contact/convener is Michael Nelson at 537-2349 or minister@uufm.net.

### **MARCH 16 "THE ANGEL IN THE DETAILS"**

Rev Michael Nelson shares, "Often something small opens up in us and we become the first bloom of spring. When we cultivate our ability to focus on the bee wing dusted with pollen we can see how the universe works. Sun, earth, wind, rain, growing things, multiplying, an abundance which is easy to miss when we fail to look." Contact Michael at 537-2349 or minister@uufm.net.

### **MARCH 23 "WHY WE NEED SPRING"**

Join various Fellowship members and friends with a celebration of Spring in the form of music, poetry readings, literature, and more. Contact is Drew Venum at drewvennum@gmail.com or (713) 828-3306.

### **MARCH 30 "EMPOWERING YOUTH TO MAKE A DIFFERENCE"**

Fellowship member Marisa Larson and a K-State student volunteer discuss their experience with the Children and Youth Empowerment Centre in Kenya. The Centre is focused on the comprehensive development of its target population of street youth, including life skills and entrepreneurship training, to enable these young people to lead fulfilling lives and contribute to the well-being of their communities. Contact is Drew Venum at drewvennum@gmail.com or (713) 828-3306.

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at **481 ZEANDALE ROAD**

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### **REGISTER FOR NEW ADULT CLASSES ...**

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Learn more about both classes on page 2 of this newsletter.



## **UUFM is a WELCOMING CONGREGATION**

Learn more about the Welcoming Congregation initiative at [www.uua.org/visitors/justicediversity/6252.shtml](http://www.uua.org/visitors/justicediversity/6252.shtml)

*Fellowship member Sarah McGreer Hoyt offers some personal reflections in support of AllsFairKansas.com, raising funds to support the fight for recognition of legal same-sex unions in the state of Kansas.*

I met Rev Michael Nelson in August 2000. We were both students in a graduate creative writing workshop at the University of Missouri-Kansas City, where he received his master's degree. I remember him as a calm presence who radiated energy during workshop, and I enjoyed being around him for those four months of the semester. After that, I did not see him again for almost a dozen years.

In June 2012, I came to the Unitarian Universalist Fellowship of Manhattan. I was looking for a community outside of my work, one that espouses respect for many walks of life and a diversity of beliefs. I was pleased to see many of my neighbors, professors from around campus, and graduate students among the congregation, yet it took me a few weeks to realize that Michael, this ebullient spirit and eloquent speaker, was my classmate from years ago.

I have been blessed to hear his sermons on everything from building community to water conservation to finding and celebrating joy, and he is one of the primary reasons I became a member of UUFM a year after I first attended.

On November 10, The Manhattan Mercury ran an engagement announcement for Michael Nelson and his partner, Charles Dedmon. It began, "After almost 30 years of careful consideration, Michael Nelson and Charles Dedmon, both of rural Alma, announce their engagement." *Thirty* years.

Three years ago, I signed up to be a mentor through K-State's Guide to Personal Success (GPS) Program. While filling out the paperwork, under "Other," I entered "LGBT friendly." I was paired with Will. At the time, Will, who is transgender, had just arrived on campus as a freshman after coming out to his immediate family. He had never presented as male in all of his 18 years.

Since then, he's changed his name, his appearance, has found academic success, worked as a teaching assistant, and found a close circle of friends. When we met for coffee before Christmas, he shyly told me that he's dating. In fact, he has a partner.

I support All's Fair Kansas for my LGBT friends, neighbors, and co-workers. For Michael. And for Will. Knowing them has enriched my life. What kind of person would I be if I did not wish them and their partners the same happiness, love, and equal rights?

It's only fair.

#### **REV MICHAEL NELSON'S SCHEDULE**

This month, Michael Nelson will be available in the Fellowship office on:

Tuesday, March 4 - 3 to 5 pm  
Wednesday, March 5 - 5 to 7 pm  
Tuesday, March 11 - 5 to 7 pm  
Wednesday, March 12 - 5 to 7 pm  
Tuesday, March 18 - 3 to 5 pm  
Wednesday, March 19 - 5 to 7 pm  
Tuesday, March 25 - 3 to 5 pm  
Wednesday, March 26 - 3 to 5 pm

During office hours, contact Michael at the Fellowship at 537-2349. To arrange meetings at other times, please call or email [minister@uufm.net](mailto:minister@uufm.net)

#### **ADULT CLASSES IN MARCH ...**

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Reverend Michael Nelson leads **DEEPENING YOUR UNDERSTANDING OF UNITARIAN UNIVERSALISM**, a class in three sessions, following Sunday services in March. We begin on Sunday, MARCH 2, at 12:15 pm, and continue on Sunday, MARCH 9, and MARCH 16. While the focus is on the questions of newer members and friends, all are welcome to join in.

Michelle Alexander's book, **THE NEW JIM CROW: MASS INCARCERATION IN THE AGE OF COLORBLINDNESS**, calls Americans to examine how "we have not ended racial caste in America, we have ... redesigned it" through our criminal justice system. Join us as we read this powerful work. We'll meet on Wednesdays, MARCH 12 and 26, and APRIL 2 and 9, from 7 to 8:30 pm. Jane Pelletier and Michael Nelson facilitate. A few copies of the book are available at the Manhattan Public Library, or it can be purchased online.

Contact Susan Turner at 537-2349 or [office@uufm.net](mailto:office@uufm.net) to register. *If you'll require childcare during classes, please let us know so that we can make arrangements.*

# RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

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## RE NEWS

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February was filled with love ... and snow! We're ready for March and spring!

In March our students continue their world religions curriculum with a focus a bit closer to home. We are planning many field trips to churches in the area and are hoping to have some extra adults to accompany (and possibly transport) the kids. If you'd like to make a trip to a local church, and then perhaps follow up with the class for a discussion about the visit, please contact me.

The Our Whole Lives (OWL) class for Kindergarten through 2nd grade finishes up just before spring break in mid-March. Huge thanks go out to Kathleen Tanona and Courtney Albin for leading this class. We're always looking for more OWL leaders and this month we have a rare opportunity to participate in OWL teacher training that is close to home. If you're interested in this valuable training, please contact me to get registered. Training for both elementary and teen classes is March 20 to 22.

*Sandy Nelson*

*Learn more about all family and youth activities at the Fellowship from Director of Religious Education Sandy Nelson at 341-0135 or DRE@uufm.net*

### DRE'S SCHEDULE

In March, Sandy Nelson will be available in the Fellowship office on **TUESDAYS** and **THURSDAYS**, from 3:30 to 4:30 pm.

### TEACHER TRAINING OPPORTUNITY

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We're always in need of OWL teachers and a training opportunity is around the corner. Training for K-1st / 4th-6th and 7th-9th / 10th-12th is coming to Topeka, March 20 to 22. If you're interested in becoming a trained OWL leader, please contact Sandy Nelson at DRE@uufm.net or 341-0135 for more information.



### PARENT NIGHT OUT

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Bring the kids for Parent Night Out on the first Friday of each month. On **MARCH 7** drop the kids off at 6:30 and pick them up at 9:30 pm. As always, there will be fun, games, healthy snacks, and a movie! A \$5 per child voluntary contribution will help us cover expenses associated with this popular activity.

*Please RSVP no later than Thursday, March 6, so that Sandy Nelson can schedule adults to staff the evening, and gather supplies. Contact Sandy at 341-0135 or dre@uufm.net.*



### MARCH FAMILY FUN ...

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Join us in Aggieville for the 36th Annual St Patrick's Day Parade on Saturday, MARCH 15. The parade starts at 2 pm and we'll eventually gather near Radina's to watch the floats ... but first ... we'll do a REVERSE PARADE. At 1:30 we'll gather at the Fremont and 12th Street entrance to the park and we'll walk while the parade stands still. This is a great opportunity to visit with various float personnel and any candidates who might be in the parade. (Last year we got to climb up on a really cool John Deere tractor!)



ON THURSDAY,  
FEBRUARY 13,  
STUDENTS AND ADULTS  
VISITED MEADOWLARK  
HILLS TO MAKE AND  
DELIVER VALENTINES.



## **ACTIVITIES AND EVENTS** - *events are open to all interested people ...*

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On Saturday, MARCH 1, the **FLINTHILLS PAGANS** gather for the *New Moon*. On Saturday, MARCH 15, join us for *Ostara*, and on Saturday, MARCH 29, join us for the *Dark of the Moon*. Family-friendly Pagan events begin at 6 pm with a shared potluck meal, followed by ritual at 7 pm. Learn more about all Pagan events from Heather Mingo at 341-6931 or flinthillspagans@gmail.com.

The **WOMEN'S COFFEE** group meets EVERY MONDAY and THURSDAY at 9:30 am, at McDonald's in Westloop. Join us for morning coffee and conversation. Contact Barbara Hacker at 587-8002 or barbarahacker@yahoo.com.

The **MEN'S LUNCH** group meets EVERY WEDNESDAY, at 12 noon, in the Jupiter room (large RE room). Bring a desire for spirited conversation and a sack lunch for yourself. Learn more from Jack Warren at 539-4073 or jomega@ksu.edu.

Join us for our *Action Wednesday (AWed) POTLUCK DINNER* on Wednesday, MARCH 5. Dinner begins at 6 pm, and committee meetings and social activities follow at 7 pm. Children's activities will be available. *We need one or two volunteers to staff the nursery*. Learn more from Kathleen Tanona at 537-6208 or kmtanona@hotmail.com.

The **WOMEN'S LUNCH** group meets Wednesday, MARCH 12, at 11:30 am, at the Golden Wok, 3003 Anderson Avenue, in Manhattan. Join us for lively discussion and great company. Learn more from Harriette Janke at 539-0865 or ahjanke@cox.net.

The **SPIRITUAL ECOLOGY** discussion group meets on Wednesday, MARCH 12 and 26, at 7 pm, at the Fellowship. This month, we'll discuss essays by Paul Kingsnorth. Learn more from Ron Parks at (620) 767-3403 or ronald6349att.net@att.net.

The UUFM **DRUM CIRCLE** gathers on Friday, MARCH 14, in the Fellowship's main sanctuary. UUFM members, friends, and the wider community, those of all ages, and experienced or beginning drummers are welcome. Bring your own rhythm instrument or borrow one of ours. Learn more from Pat Embers at 539-2819 or embers1@cox.net.

The UUFM **BOOK DISCUSSION GROUP** meets on Wednesday, MARCH 26, at 7 pm, in the clubhouse at the McGaughey residence. We'll discuss *The Language of Flowers*, by Vanessa Dissenbaugh. Contact Bobette McGaughey with location questions at kbmcgoy@ksu.edu or 565-1209, or Lorrie Cross with questions about the book at 539-7883 or lmcross@kansas.net.

After careful consideration, **THIRD THURSDAY SUPPER** has been discontinued for the time being. We hope everyone will be able to attend the monthly AWED potluck dinner on the first Wednesday of each month. Learn more from Susan Turner at 537-2349 or office@uufm.net

### **REGISTER NOW FOR ADULT CLASSES BEGINNING IN MARCH ...**

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To register and learn more about both classes, see page 2 of this newsletter.

### **MEADOWLARK HILLS SERVICE**

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This month's Meadowlark Hills service gathers on Wednesday, **MARCH 26**, at 3 pm, in Meadowlark's Manhattan Room. Learn more from Susan Turner at 537-2349 or office@uufm.net. Ask Susan to add your name to the Meadowlark service reminder list, to receive an email or postal reminder of the service every month.

### **UUFM SINGERS**

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The UUFM Singers will rehearse on Sunday, **MARCH 2, 9, and 30**, at 9 am, in the Main Sanctuary. Learn more about musical opportunities at the Fellowship from Michael Oldfather at 537-3738 or mou812@ksu.edu.



MICHAEL OLDFATHER LEADS  
THE UUFM SINGERS  
DURING THE MORNING SERVICE  
ON SUNDAY, MARCH 15, 2009.

### **UU CAMPUS LUNCH**

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The UUFM Campus group meets on the second Thursday of the month, at 12 noon, at the Bluemont Buffet, on the 2nd floor of the K-State Student Union. Join us on **MARCH 13!** All are welcome. Invite your friends. Learn more from Molly McGaughey at molly\_mcgaughey@hotmail.com or 776-4543.

## SOCIAL ACTION AT UUFM

### **VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES**

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There are always openings for volunteers on our Sunday morning **COFFEE AND GREETING TEAMS**. New members and friends find this is a great way to get acquainted, and it's an easy way to give to the Fellowship with a minimal investment of time--only three or four Sundays each year. Learn more from Elke Lorenz, 539-3527 or [ellorenz@uufm.net](mailto:ellorenz@uufm.net)

This month, Fellowship volunteers prepare and serve **HAPPY KITCHEN COMMUNITY BREAKFAST** on Friday, MARCH 7 and 21, from 7:30 to 9 am, at St Paul's Episcopal Church. *Volunteers are needed to occasionally fill in.* Breakfast is free and open to the community, providing a good meal for many who might otherwise go without. All are invited, and free will donations help us continue this service. Learn more from Jennifer Bryan at 537-0333 or [snowbird@violinifer.com](mailto:snowbird@violinifer.com)

### **NEW ADULT STUDY OFFERING**

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Martin Luther King Jr reminded us, "America, you must be born again." Michelle Alexander's book, *The New Jim Crow: Mass Incarceration in the Age of Colorblindness*, calls Americans to examine how "we have not ended racial caste in America, we have merely redesigned it" through our criminal justice system. Join us as we read this powerful work and take to heart King's call for a transformation that inspires and educates on how to create "a more perfect Union." Jane Pelletier and Michael Nelson facilitate classes on Wednesday, MARCH 12 and 26, and APRIL 2 and 9, from 7 to 8:30 pm. A few copies of Alexander's book are available at the Manhattan Public Library, or it may be purchased online.

Register for classes with Susan Turner at 537-2349 or [office@uufm.net](mailto:office@uufm.net). *If you'll require childcare, please let us know so that we can make arrangements.*

### **HELPING HANDS SUNDAY**

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On Sunday, MARCH 9, Helping Hands contributions will be collected for **WONDER WORKSHOP**, a local organization dedicated to developing self-reliant children, families, and community members through hands-on activities and exhibits that instill a desire for life-long learning, while recognizing cultural diversity, and fostering creative potential. Learn more at [www.wonderworkshop.org](http://www.wonderworkshop.org)

On February 9, Fellowship members and friends contributed \$744 to the Peggy Bowman Second Chance Fund. *Thank you all for your generosity!* Learn more from Helping Hands coordinator Michael Oldfather at 537-3738 or [mou812@ksu.edu](mailto:mou812@ksu.edu).

### **FAIR TRADE COFFEE, TEA, AND CHOCOLATE**

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Equal Exchange whole bean, ground, and decaf coffees, as well as chocolate and tea are available for purchase. To learn more, or to purchase fair trade products, see Anne Cowan following Sunday morning services at the Fair Trade display in the Fellowship's narthex, or contact her at 537-2025 or [acowan@uufm.net](mailto:acowan@uufm.net)



*Equal Exchange works in collaboration with the Unitarian Universalist Service Committee. They source goods directly from farmer cooperatives, following the standards and principles of fair trade on 100 percent of its products. This ensures that farmers earn a fair price for their crops, allowing them to better meet their families' basic needs for food, education, health care, and long-term security.*

### **SOCIAL ACTION COMMITTEE MEETING**

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The UUFM Social Action Committee meets on Wednesday, MARCH 12, at 5:30 pm, in the Fellowship's Inez Alsop room. Members and friends interested in learning more about Social Justice projects at the Fellowship are invited to join us. Learn more from committee chair Anne Cowan at 537-2025 or [acowan@uufm.net](mailto:acowan@uufm.net)



**Topeka Assembly of the MidAmerica Region  
of the Unitarian Universalist Association**

**April 11-13, 2014**

**Ramada Hotel and Convention Center**

(some activities at  
Brown v. Board of Education National Historic Site)

**Topeka, Kansas**

UUFManhattan will be involved in Worship,  
Music, Program Support, and Participation

Contact Michael Nelson at [minister@uufm.net](mailto:minister@uufm.net),  
Tom Phillips at 405 880-6483 or [tphillips@uufm.net](mailto:tphillips@uufm.net),  
or Michael Oldfather at 537-3738 or [mou812@ksu.edu](mailto:mou812@ksu.edu)  
to get involved.

For more information on the MidAmerica Region of UUA,  
and the upcoming Topeka Assembly, please visit:

[www.midamericauua.org](http://www.midamericauua.org)

or [www.midamericauua.org/events/regional-assembly](http://www.midamericauua.org/events/regional-assembly)

**AWED POTLUCK**

Happy March! I think I see Spring somewhere ...

Our February Action WEDnesday Dinner was another success. We had some snow but the parking lot was clear, sidewalks shoveled and meetings went on as scheduled. I thank everyone for their effort. This month we will be meeting on Wednesday, March 5th. As always the potluck begins at 6 pm and meetings at 7 pm. Please let me or Susan Turner know if your committee needs a spot to meet.

Also, I wanted to update you on the Council of Committees. As Chair-elect of UUFM it is my responsibility to have a Council of Committees meeting at least twice a year. This is a chance for our committees to give updates on the work they are doing and wanting to do here at

UUFM. This year I asked the committee chairs to use the Vision Statement adopted by UUFM last Spring when working on goals for their respective committees for 2013-2014. They did a great job at the September meeting and we recently met again in January to review our progress. It was great to hear such positive feedback from the committees and to hear the exchanges of ideas. We plan on meeting again in May, the end of the fiscal year at UUFM. I like to think of AWED as a mini Council of Committee meeting; there is frequent talk or exchanges between committees.

Lastly, if you had been attending the Third Thursday Supper please consider joining us while Third Thursday is on a hiatus. It would be great to have more socializing going on. There has been some great energy at these potlucks and then subsequent meetings. It is also a great way to sit in on a meeting if you have an interest or idea you want to share. Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions.

In Faith, *Kathleen Tanona*

*Learn more from Kathleen at 537-6208 or [kmtanona@hotmail.coms](mailto:kmtanona@hotmail.coms). Contact Susan, to reserve space for a committee meeting, at 537-2349 or [office@uufm.net](mailto:office@uufm.net).*

## **\$HOP \$MART GROCERY PROGRAM**

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Do you know about the Smart Shopper program, benefiting UUFM each time you shop? For every \$100 you spend at Dillons, Ray's, and Hy-Vee, the store gives UUFM \$5. What a deal! Totally painless! All you have to do is pay \$50 for a grocery card to whoever is carrying around the red notebook after Sunday services. Each card for Ray's Apple Market and Hy-Vee is \$50. Then go buy your groceries. Each card worth \$50 gives our Fellowship \$2.50. Therefore, \$100 earns \$5 for us. Dillons is different, you pay \$5 to UUFM for the card, then go to customer service at Dillons to load it with whatever amount you want to put on it. Learn more from Harriette Janke at 539-0865 or ahjanke@cox.net.

## **UUFM FINANCES**

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*Fellowship Treasurer Betty Banner offers this report on Fellowship finances:*

Time Period	Income	Expenses	Net
January 2014	\$ 8,382.83	\$ 9,152.26	\$ (769.43)
Year to Date	\$83,431.00	\$81,245.99	\$ 2,185.01

Learn more about Fellowship finances and pledging opportunities from Betty at 776-1887 or bettybanner@gmail.com



DIRECTOR OF RELIGIOUS EDUCATION SANDY NELSON  
WORKS WITH A UUFM STUDENT  
CREATING HANDCRAFTED VALENTINES  
DURING OUR FAMILY FUN ACTIVITY  
AT MEADOWLARK HILLS, ON FEBRUARY 13.

## **ALL ABOUT US**

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Please welcome our new member, **JESSICA STEIERS**. Jessica was born and attended school in Wamego. After she went to Kansas State and received her degree in biology, she went on Washburn University to get her degree in nursing. She now works at Mercy Regional Hospital in the patient rehab and surgical units. She first came to the Fellowship with her dad, **GENE STEIERS**. She was in middle school or high school. The community "...grew on us." She appreciates developing friendships here. She also enjoys the activities and the intellectual stimulation, and especially likes that our topics are current. She knew she wanted to become a member when, "It started to feel like an extended family." Jessica enjoys photography. (You may have seen some of her photographs on display in the narthex.) "I like to convey a different perspective of things in nature. To take something simple and make it abstract."

*We are so glad you've decided to join us, Jessica!*

## **OTHER NEWS -**

From **ANA FRANKLIN** - "I have a joy that I am leaving in a few days for Puerto Morelos, Mexico, and will be with yoga friends at a retreat there for two weeks. My concern is that all the preparations have made it less likely for me to get to UUFM lately, or to stay and chat with my dear friends here. I will miss you all, but I hope to return renewed by the retreat and ready to do what needs to be done! Namaste! *Ana.*"

**ELLIE HACKER**, granddaughter of **BARBARA HACKER**, recently won the Spelling Bee at Northview Elementary School. She went on to compete and come in 5th district wide. The word that finally tripped her up was *accordion*. Congratulations Ellie!

On February 13, several **UU Kids** joined several adults to make Valentines at Meadowlark Hills. It was a great hour of creativity, conversation, and cookies. After creating the beautiful cards, the children went with an adult to deliver the cards to Meadowlark residents. Thanks to Sandy Nelson for leading us in this activity.

*Please send your milestones, significant events, or news to Kathleen Oldfather at kjoldfather@gmail.com or 537-3738. We can't share it if we don't know!*



## COFFEE AND GREETING TEAMS

- March 2: Kathleen and Michael Oldfather, and Bobette and Bill McGaughey
- March 9: Dan and Kathy Swenson, Linda Kroeger, and Victoria Martin
- March 16: Cathy Hedge, Mark Clarke, and Jen and Matt Campbell
- March 23: Laura and Mike Bonella, Kim Belanger, and Jane Pelletier
- March 30: June and Charlie Kempthorne, Anne Cowan, and Mary Peterson

*THANK YOU* to all of our coffee and greeting team volunteers. Serving on a Coffee and Greeting team is an easy way to give to the Fellowship, with a minimal investment of your time. *Thank you all* for your time and voluntary contributions! Learn more from Elke Lorenz at 539-3527 or [ellorenz@uufm.net](mailto:ellorenz@uufm.net)

### NEED A RIDE TO THE FELLOWSHIP ?

The Caring Committee has organized a group of volunteer drivers to help folks get to our Sunday morning services. Contact Kathleen Oldfather at 537-3738 or [kjoldfather@gmail.com](mailto:kjoldfather@gmail.com)

### Administrator's Schedule

In March, Susan Turner will be available in the Fellowship office on:

Monday, March	3 - 3 to 5 pm
Tuesday, March	4 - 12 to 5 pm
Thursday, March	6 - 12 to 5 pm
Monday, March	10 - 3 to 5 pm
Tuesday, March	11 - 4 to 7 pm
Thursday, March	13 - 12 to 5 pm
Monday, March	17 - 3 to 5 pm
Tuesday, March	18 - 12 to 5 pm
Thursday, March	20 - 12 to 5 pm
Thursday, March	27 - 12 to 5 pm
Saturday, March	29 - 11 am to 6 pm
Monday, March	31 - 3 to 5 pm

Call Susan at 537-2349 during office hours, or drop by the office. She may be reached at other times by email at [office@uufm.net](mailto:office@uufm.net)

## HELPFUL INFORMATION FOR MEMBERS AND FRIENDS

Contact Fellowship administrator Susan Turner at 539-3272 or [office@uufm.net](mailto:office@uufm.net) to **UPDATE YOUR MAILING, PHONE, or EMAIL** information, or to **CANCEL YOUR SUBSCRIPTION** to this newsletter. Members and friends may also reach Susan during her posted office hours (*seen at bottom left*) at 537-2349.

If you have been considering **BECOMING A MEMBER** of UUFM, please ask our Welcoming and Membership Committee chair Shirley Hobrock at 776-3175 or [welcome@uufm.net](mailto:welcome@uufm.net), or Rev Michael Nelson at 537-2349 or [minister@uufm.net](mailto:minister@uufm.net), for information and assistance.

Fellowship members may receive **UU WORLD MAGAZINE**, without cost. An audio version of *UU World* is available for those with visual or reading difficulties. Subscribe by contacting Susan Turner at 537-2349 or [office@uufm.net](mailto:office@uufm.net). Read *UU World* online at [www.uuworld.org](http://www.uuworld.org)

Join in discussions of interest, receive information on community events, and last minute updates and announcements on our UUFM **EMAIL LIST**. Contact list moderator Ruth Welti at [welti@ksu.edu](mailto:welti@ksu.edu) to subscribe.

Consider the convenience of **ELECTRONIC GIVING**. UUFM relies on the financial support of our congregation and electronic contributions offer a simple and easy way to give on a regular basis. For details, contact Fellowship bookkeeper Sandy Nelson at [sandralounelson@yahoo.com](mailto:sandralounelson@yahoo.com) or 341-0135, or pick up literature and a form from the information carousel in the Inez Alsop room at the Fellowship. *Thank you!*

## SUNDAY ANNOUNCEMENTS

Please contact fellowship administrator Susan Turner at 537-2349 or [office@uufm.net](mailto:office@uufm.net), **NO LATER THAN WEDNESDAY EVENING** with announcements and information for inclusion in the Sunday morning order of service bulletin.

## CARING FOR MEMBERS AND FRIENDS

If you need a ride or could use a hand, or if you know members or friends who are experiencing life challenges and would appreciate assistance, please let our Caring Committee know. Contact Caring Committee chair Kathleen Oldfather at 537-3738 or [caring@uufm.net](mailto:caring@uufm.net), or let us know at 537-2349 or [office@uufm.net](mailto:office@uufm.net)

## BUILDING USE AND SCHEDULING

Please check with Susan Turner to be sure your desired date is available before finalizing plans for any use of the Fellowship building, including **COMMITTEE MEETINGS**, Fellowship activities, or private events that will be held in the Fellowship building. To confirm building availability and schedule your activity, or for more information, contact Sue at 537-2349 or [office@uufm.net](mailto:office@uufm.net).

## APRIL NEWSLETTER DEADLINE

The deadline for submissions to the April edition of *The UUFM Voice* is Saturday, **MARCH 15**. *Committee chairs and activity organizers*, please let Susan know about your activities and volunteer needs. Contact Susan Turner at 539-3272 or [office@uufm.net](mailto:office@uufm.net)

## Calendar

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<u>23</u> <u>Embracing Our Whole Story</u> 10:45-12:00 pm <u>OWL Classes</u> 12:30-1:45 pm <u>Concert - Andrew McKnight</u> 5:00-10:00 pm	<u>24</u> <u>Women's Coffee</u> 9:30-11:00 am	<u>25</u> <u>Sandy Nelson</u> 3:30-4:30 pm	<u>26</u> <u>Men's Lunch</u> 12:00-1:15 pm <u>Meadowlark Hills service</u> 3:00-4:30 pm <u>Book Discussion group</u> 7:00-9:00 pm <u>Spiritual Ecology</u> 7:00-9:00 pm	<u>27</u> <u>Women's Coffee</u> 9:30-11:00 am <u>Susan Turner</u> 12:00-5:00 pm <u>Sandy Nelson</u> 3:30-4:30 pm	28	<u>1</u> <u>Pagan Circle - New Moon</u> 6:00-10:00 pm	
<u>2</u> <u>Singers rehearse</u> 9:00-10:30 am <u>The Big Picture</u> 10:45-12:00 pm <u>Deepening UUism</u> 12:15-1:00 pm <u>OWL Classes</u> 12:30-1:45 pm	<u>3</u> <u>Women's Coffee</u> 9:30-11:00 am <u>Susan Turner</u> 3:00-5:00 pm	<u>4</u> <u>Susan Turner</u> 12:00-5:00 pm <u>Rev Michael Nelson</u> 3:00-5:00 pm <u>Sandy Nelson</u> 3:30-4:30 pm	<u>5</u> <u>Men's Lunch</u> 12:00-1:15 pm <u>Rev Michael Nelson</u> 5:00-7:00 pm <u>AWED Dinner</u> 6:00-9:00 pm	<u>6</u> <u>Women's Coffee</u> 9:30-11:00 am <u>Susan Turner</u> 12:00-5:00 pm <u>Sandy Nelson</u> 3:30-4:30 pm	<u>7</u> <u>Happy Kitchen</u> 7:30-9:00 am <u>Parent's Night Out</u> 6:30-9:30 pm	8	
<u>9</u> <u>Singers rehearse</u> 9:00-10:30 am <u>Growth in Friendship</u> 10:45-12:00 pm <u>Deepening UUism</u> 12:15-1:00 pm <u>OWL Classes</u> 12:30-1:45 pm	<u>10</u> <u>Women's Coffee</u> 9:30-11:00 am <u>Susan Turner</u> 3:00-5:00 pm	<u>11</u> <u>Sandy Nelson</u> 3:30-4:30 pm <u>Susan Turner</u> 4:00-7:00 pm <u>Rev Michael Nelson</u> 5:00-7:00 pm <u>Board Mtg</u> 7:00-9:00 pm	<u>12</u> <u>Women's Lunch</u> 11:30-1:00 pm <u>Men's Lunch</u> 12:00-1:15 pm <u>Rev Michael Nelson</u> 5:00-7:00 pm <u>Social Action Mtg</u> 5:30-7:00 pm <u>Spiritual Ecology</u> 7:00-8:30 pm <u>The New Jim Crow</u> 7:00-8:30 pm	<u>13</u> <u>Women's Coffee</u> 9:30-11:00 am <u>Campus Lunch</u> 12:00-1:00 pm <u>Susan Turner</u> 12:00-5:00 pm <u>Sandy Nelson</u> 3:30-4:30 pm	<u>14</u> <u>Drum Circle</u> 7:00-10:00 pm	<u>15</u> <u>Family Fun event</u> 1:30-4:00 pm <u>Pagan Circle - Ostara</u> 6:00-10:00 pm	
<u>16</u> <u>Angel in the Details</u> 10:45-12:00 pm <u>Deepening UUism</u> 12:15-1:00 pm	<u>17</u> <u>Women's Coffee</u> 9:30-11:00 am <u>Susan Turner</u> 3:00-5:00 pm	<u>18</u> <u>Susan Turner</u> 12:00-5:00 pm <u>Rev Michael Nelson</u> 3:00-5:00 pm <u>Sandy Nelson</u> 3:30-4:30 pm	<u>19</u> <u>Men's Lunch</u> 12:00-1:15 pm <u>Rev Michael Nelson</u> 5:00-7:00 pm	<u>20</u> <u>Women's Coffee</u> 9:30-11:00 am <u>Susan Turner</u> 12:00-5:00 pm <u>Sandy Nelson</u> 3:30-4:30 pm	<u>21</u> <u>Happy Kitchen</u> 7:30-9:00 am	22	
<u>23</u> <u>Why We Need Spring</u> 10:45-12:00 pm	<u>24</u> <u>Women's Coffee</u> 9:30-11:00 am	<u>25</u> <u>Rev Michael Nelson</u> 3:00-5:00 pm <u>Sandy Nelson</u> 3:30-4:30 pm	<u>26</u> <u>Men's Lunch</u> 12:00-1:15 pm <u>Meadowlark Hills service</u> 3:00-4:30 pm <u>Rev Michael Nelson</u> 3:00-5:00 pm <u>Book Discussion group</u> 7:00-9:00 pm <u>Spiritual Ecology</u> 7:00-8:30 pm <u>The New Jim Crow</u> 7:00-8:30 pm	<u>27</u> <u>Women's Coffee</u> 9:30-11:00 am <u>Susan Turner</u> 12:00-5:00 pm <u>Sandy Nelson</u> 3:30-4:30 pm	28	<u>29</u> <u>Susan Turner</u> 11:00-6:00 pm <u>Pagan Circle - Dark Moon</u> 6:00-10:00 pm	