



WHAT DOES IT MEAN TO BE

A COMMUNITY OF PROPHECY?

Our times ask us to exercise our capacity for prophetic witness. By prophetic witness I mean our capacity to see what is happening, to say what is happening and to act in accordance with what we know ... Prophetic witness ... is the ability to name those places where we resist knowing what needs to be known.

--Rebecca Parker, UU theologian and minister

I am not crushed. I am awake.

-- A liberal activist interviewed about the presidential election

Prophets are known for their condemnation. Images of an angry bearded man shouting and predicting God's judgment come to mind. But for Unitarian Universalists, the prophetic voice has always been less about shouting "You're evil!" and more about pointing out "We're all asleep!" The prophetic message, for us, is not so much "Repent!" but "Wake up!"

Recent political events are relevant here. On Election Day, some realized they had been living in a bubble or an echo chamber. Whether it was class, condescension or comfort, something distorted many people's view. Are we ready to wake up? And let's be clear: this is not a politically partisan thing; liberals and conservatives both have a ton of waking up to do. What do we need to wake up to?

Bottom line: we need prophetic communities now more than ever. As Rebecca Parker says, we need circles of brave and bold people who are willing "to see what is happening, to say what is happening and to act in accordance with what they know." Which means that being a community of prophecy is not just about helping people wake up to each other's realities and fears; there is also the matter of waking up to and being wide-eyed about the need for resistance. Most of the time, holy work is about finding common ground among differing worldviews. But sometimes, holy work is about prophetic judgment and knowing when some views need opposition.

So many ways to wake up. So many people who need us to do so. Sleep is no longer a luxury. In the end, maybe that is the most prophetic message of all.



JANUARY 2017 SUNDAY SERVICES

OUR THEME IN JANUARY EXPLORES
 "WHAT DOES IT MEAN TO BE A COMMUNITY OF PROPHECY?"

JANUARY 1 "LAST YEAR'S LOSSES IN THE HUMAN FAMILY"

Several UUFM members will contribute to our annual service remembering the contributions of friends, relatives, entertainers, politicians, scientists, *et al.*, who touched our lives in so many ways. Michael Oldfather, at 537-3738 or mou812@ksu.edu, convenes.

There will be no formal coffee and greeting team during the January 1 service, so we ask members and friends to pitch in, notice and welcome new visitors, and help in the kitchen with coffee and clean-up.

JANUARY 8 "WHAT DOES IT MEAN TO BE A COMMUNITY OF PROPHECY?"

Rev Jonalu Johnstone speaks. We think of prophets as lone figures calling out impending doom and destruction. Being a community of prophecy means that we are not alone in the anger and fear that we experience in response to the world's events. How do we engage with the world to educate ourselves about the realities, to make allies where we can find them, to protect the most vulnerable, and to keep our eyes on the prize? Convener is Scott Tanona at 537-6208 or stanona@sbcglobal.net.

JANUARY 15 "THE PROPHET IN BIRMINGHAM JAIL"

Rev Jonalu Johnstone shares this service. One of Martin Luther King, Jr's, most compelling works was his "Letter from Birmingham Jail," written in response to a public letter from white clergy asking black activists to wait and give them more time to reach equality, instead of demanding their rights through civil disobedience. What does that letter have to say to us today? What does the text teach us about civil disobedience and what needs disruption in the current social and political context? Convener is Jessica Sievers at 532-8471 or sieversj@gmail.com.

JANUARY 22 "TODAY'S PROPHETIC VOICES"

Rev Jonalu Johnstone speaks. Prophets from the past are fine, but may not have the message we need to hear today. Who is warning us about what is happening and what may come on issues like climate change, criminal justice, education, and bringing a moral grounding to public and private policy and actions? Dave Lambert, at 587-8750 or david.k.lambert@gmail.com, convenes.

JANUARY 29 "FAITH AND AUTHENTICITY"

Our guest Stephanie Mott, President/Executive Director of Kansas Statewide Transgender Education Project, talks about her journey through the intersections of faith and authenticity, initially believing that they are mutually exclusive, and finally discovering that they are very much the same. Convener is Rev Jonalu Johnstone at 537-2349 or revjonalu@uufm.net.

Prophets help us connect the dots between the world as it is and the world as it might be.
 ... Krista Tippet



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 at **481 ZEANDALE ROAD**

*The greatest thing a human soul
 ever does in this world ... to see
 clearly is poetry, prophecy and
 religion all in one.*

... John Ruskin

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COMING UP ...

We discuss a statement of principle concerning Native American mascots at a *rescheduled CONGREGATIONAL MTG*, Sunday, **FEBRUARY 5**. More on page 7.

KANSAS PEOPLES' AGENDA 2017, holds a rally at the State Capital Wednesday, **JANUARY 11**. Learn more on page 6.

BUILDING THE BELOVED COMMUNITY, a UU Social Justice conference gathers in Lawrence on Saturday, **FEBRUARY 4**. More on page 4.

As I write this column, I have returned from a demonstration on behalf of service and maintenance workers at K-State in their efforts to move the basic wage from \$10.56 an hour up



to \$12 an hour, equal to wages at the University of Kansas. Five other UU's were there. This exemplifies the prophetic witness in the public square, though it was not specifically a religious witness.

While our charitable work as a congregation matters--giving clothes to the FIT Closet, food to the Breadbasket, Christmas gifts to Manhattan Emergency Shelter families, cooking up breakfasts at Happy Kitchen--justice demands more of us. Our religious values recommend engagement with the democratic process and speaking out for justice, equity, compassion, peace, and liberty. My friend and colleague Paul Razor, director of the Center for the Study of Religious Freedom and professor of religious studies at Virginia Wesleyan University, wrote a book a few years ago, *Reclaiming Prophetic Witness: Liberal Religion in the Public Square*. His thesis is that religious liberals (UU's, mainline churches, Reform and Conservative Jews and many others) have ceded the public role of religion to conservatives, deserting a long historic heritage of liberal religious prophets, including abolitionists, war-resisters, and civil rights leaders. We may still be out there on the line fighting for what we believe in, but we no longer cast it in religious or moral language or tone.

Yet, there are religious and moral motivations behind our positions. Bigotry and discrimination are wrong because they undermine the worth and dignity we ascribe to all human beings. Destruction of our climate is wrong because it disrupts the interdependent web of all existence of which we are a part. Aggressive militarism works against the goal of peace for the world community. When we take our UU principles seriously, they have real implications for policy and politics. They also help us sift through the difference between liberal religion and liberal politics, which remain distinct though overlapping. The test is how do our religious values guide us?

In North Carolina, thousands of people have been involved with a movement called Moral Mondays, where a broad coalition of progressives, including religious leaders, have called on their legislature and governor to support voting rights, public education, social programs, and fair taxation because it's the right thing to do. Rev William Barber, a key leader of Moral Mondays, praises fusion politics, bringing a

diversity of people together to support an agenda that is not shy about saying what is right and wrong.

There's a movement in Kansas to do the same thing--the Kansas People's Agenda will gather at the Capitol on January 11. You'll find more information about it elsewhere in the newsletter [see page 6]. Another opportunity to be involved in UU prophetic witness will happen on Saturday, February 4, when UU's from around the state will gather to engage together about our prophetic work [see page 5].

Paul Razor says it well:

As religious liberals, we know that we are united in a single interdependent world, that human beings have the ability to create good as well as evil, that our diversity is something to celebrate rather than fear, and that we can build just and liberating human communities. This is the message of healing and hope our prophetic social justice practice brings to the world.

In faith and freedom, *Jonalu*

Talk to Rev Johnstone after Sunday services, or contact her at 537-2349 or revjonalu@uufm.net with your inspirations and concerns. Check out Jonalu's blog at uufm.net/topic/minister-blog/

REV JONALU JOHNSTONE'S SCHEDULE

Tuesday,	Jan	3 - 1 to 5 pm
Wednesday,	Jan	4 - 3 to 6 pm
Saturday,	Jan	7 - 10 am to 12 pm, Radina's Bakehouse
Tuesday,	Jan	10 - 1:30 to 5 pm
Thursday,	Jan	12 - 1 to 5 pm
Friday,	Jan	13 - 2 to 4 pm, Radina's Bakehouse
Tuesday,	Jan	17 - 1 to 5 pm
Wednesday,	Jan	18 - 2 to 4 pm, Radina's Aggieville
Thursday,	Jan	19 - 1 to 5 pm
Tuesday,	Jan	24 - 1:30 to 5 pm
Wednesday,	Jan	25 - 10 am to 12 pm, Radina's Aggieville
Thursday,	Jan	26 - 1 to 5 pm
Tuesday,	Jan	31 - 1 to 5 pm

During office hours, contact Jonalu at the Fellowship at 537-2349. During "out-of-office" hours--at Radina's Bakehouse in Blue Earth Plaza, or Radina's in Aggieville--drop in to share your thoughts and a cup of coffee. To arrange meetings at other times, please call or email revjonalu@uufm.net.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWS

Every man is hero and an oracle to somebody, and to that person, whatever he says has an enhanced value.

... Ralph Waldo Emerson

REFLECTIONS

Happy New Year! We sure are happy in the RE program. 2016 was a great year--we learned about World Religions, traveled the world with expert tour guides, studied the Seven Principles, engaged in social action projects, and celebrated the holidays. We also partied hard at Parent Night Out and Family Fun events. 2017 promises to be an awesome year too. Elementary students will continue their studies of different religions. Pre-school children will continue becoming familiar with Unitarian Universalism, and the teens will continue to explore UUville. At the end of January and into early March, 4th-6th graders will take Our Whole Lives classes to gain knowledge about their bodies and respect for themselves. And then the summer hits and I'll be looking for "tour guides" so all our students can learn more about the world around them.

See you soon, *Sandy*

Talk with our Director of Religious Education Sandy Nelson most Sunday mornings, or contact her at 341-0135 or DRE@uufm.net



OWL GRADUATES
FROM PREVIOUS YEARS.



DRE'S SCHEDULE

In January, Director of Religious Education Sandy Nelson will be in the Fellowship office **TUESDAYS** and **THURSDAYS**, from 3:30 to 4:30 pm. *Talk with Sandy most Sunday mornings, or contact her at 341-0135 or dre@uufm.net.*

PARENT NIGHT OUT / KID NIGHT IN

Our next Parent Night Out (Kid Night In) gathers on Friday, JANUARY 6, from 6:30 to 9:30 pm, at the Fellowship. *Parent Night Out is designed for children from 3 to 12 years old who can toilet on their own with minimal assistance.* We watch a movie, have some popcorn, and games and art projects are available. In January, we'll ring in the New Year with some sparkling cider at 9 pm. (New Year's in Greenland plus a few days). A \$5 per child contribution helps us cover expenses. Dinner is NOT served at Parent Night Out. Please be sure your kids are fed before arriving. This is an RSVP event and space is limited. *Please RSVP no later than Thursday, January 5*, so that Sandy can gather supplies and make plans.

Learn more from Sandy Nelson at 341-0135 or DRE@uufm.net.

Dream lofty dreams, and as you dream, so you shall become. Your vision is the promise of what you shall one day be; your ideal is the prophecy of what you shall at last unveil.

... James Allen

OUR WHOLE LIVES (OWL)

Our Whole Lives (OWL) classes will be held mid-January through mid-March. OWL is a respected UU sexual education program. Children learn in an accurate and age appropriate way about human development, relationships, personal skills, sexual behavior, sexual health, and society and culture. The core values are self worth, sexual health, responsibility, and justice, and inclusivity. We expect to offer the 4th through 6th grade curriculum. It all depends on interest and class numbers. If you have children within those age ranges and would like to enroll them in OWL, or if you simply have questions about the OWL program, contact Sandy Nelson at 341-0135 or DRE@uufm.net as soon as possible.

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.

ACTIVITIES AND EVENTS – *EVENTS ARE OPEN TO ALL INTERESTED PEOPLE*

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.

The **MEN'S LUNCH** group meets EVERY WEDNESDAY, at 12 noon, in the Jupiter room (large RE room). Bring a lunch for yourself and come ready for spirited conversation. Michael Oldfather at 537-3738 or mou812@ksu.edu.

Please join us for our next ACTION WEDNESDAY (**AWed**) **POTLUCK DINNER** on Wednesday, JANUARY 4. Following dinner at 6 pm, there are social activities for all ages, and those attending are invited to join in any of the scheduled committee meetings that might interest them. Learn more from Courtney Albin at 317-8157 or courtney.albin@gmail.com.

Don't miss **BEER AND THEOLOGY**, on the first Friday of every month. This month, we meet on JANUARY 6, at 7 pm, at Auntie Mae's in Aggieville. Contact Jessica Sievers at 532-8471 or sieversj@gmail.com.

The UU **CAMPUS LUNCH** gathers on the second Thursday of each month. Join us on Thursday, JANUARY 12, at 12 noon. We'll meet in the K-State Student Union Food Court. Learn more from Sue Pray at 313-3158 or suepray@ksu.edu.

The UUFM **DRUM CIRCLE** gathers on Friday, JANUARY 13, at 7 pm, at the Fellowship. UUFM members, friends, and the wider community, those of all ages, and experienced or beginning drummers are welcome. Bring your favorite rhythm instrument, or borrow one of ours. Learn more from Pat Embers at 539-2819 or embers1@cox.net.

Join us at the Fellowship on the third Wednesday each month for our regular **GAME NIGHT**. We gather on Wednesday, JANUARY 18, at 6:30 pm, in the Fellowship's Inez Alsop room. Bring family, friends, games, and/or non-messy finger foods to share. Learn more from Carrie Roberts at 785 485-2254 or clh8888@ksu.edu.

The UUFM **BOOK DISCUSSION GROUP** meets on Friday, JANUARY 27, at 10 am, at the home of Judy and Dick Cattell. We'll explore *Farewell to Manzanar*, by Jeanne Wakatsuki Houston and James D Houston. Learn more from Judy Cattell at 320-5470 or catlark1@gmail.com, or Susan Adamchak at 320-7358 or sadamchak@kansas.net

UUFM SINGERS

The **UUFM SINGERS** rehearse Sunday, JANUARY 15, and 29, at 9 am, in the sanctuary. Learn more about all musical opportunities at the Fellowship from choir director Michael Oldfather, at 537-3738 or mou812@ksu.edu.

*The words of the prophets are
written on the subway walls
and tenements halls
and whispered
in the sounds of silence.*

... Paul Simon

MEADOWLARK HILLS SERVICE

Our next Meadowlark Hills service will be on Wednesday, JANUARY 25, at 3 pm, in the Manhattan Room, in the main building at 2121 Meadowlark Road. Rev Jonalu Johnstone guides the service exploring "Prophecy," our January theme. All are invited. Bring your friends. Learn more from Jonalu at 537-2349 or revjonalu@uufm.net

*The ones we call the prophets were the
ones jailed and driven into the desert.*

... Noam Chomsky

CHALICE CIRCLES

How can you engage more deeply with our Sunday morning themes? How can you stay connected with others in the congregation? How can you get to know a few people much better? How can you develop practices that deepen your engagement with spirit? The answer to all of these questions is to join a Chalice Circle. If you missed the sign-ups in the fall, you can still join a group that welcomes new members. Learn more from Rev Jonalu Johnstone, at 537-2349 or revjonalu@uufm.net, or one of the other facilitators: Susan Adamchak, Jane Pelletier or Jessica Sievers..



*a Unitarian Universalist
Social Justice Conference*

Save the date for this upcoming Social Justice conference, scheduled on Saturday, **FEBRUARY 4**, from 8:30 am to 4 pm, at the Unitarian Fellowship of Lawrence. As people of conscience seeking the transformation of our world, we can easily burn out trying to do everything or feel overwhelmed by not knowing where to start. In the meantime, we sometimes do more harm than good if we fail to examine our own hearts. How can we ground our activism in our spirituality? How can we build relationships of trust and accountability with other communities? How have privilege and marginalization shaped our experiences and our complex identities? What creative strategies can we use to foster the deep-rooted changes we want to see in our state? We'll explore these and other questions together as we dream and scheme for social justice in our state. Learn more and register by contacting Rev Sarah Oglesby-Dunegan at 720 339-6779 or sarah.oglesby@uufm.org.

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

This month, Fellowship volunteers prepare and serve **HAPPY KITCHEN COMMUNITY BREAKFAST** on Friday, JANUARY 6 and 20, from 7 to 8:30 am, at St Paul's Episcopal Church. 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 760-6933 or snowbird@violinifer.com.

Can you offer assistance for one event, or just an occasional hour or two? Many of our committees welcome one-time volunteers.

FACILITIES Committee chair, Mark Mayfield (ferguson.mayfield@gmail.com), seeks a few volunteers to help with snow removal from the sidewalks around the Fellowship. Jen Campbell, (jgcampbell4@hotmail.com),

SOcial Committee chair, sometimes needs help setting up, or cleaning up after a party or meal. Sylvia Beeman, **GROUND**s chair, (sbeewoman@hotmail.com) can always use help watering and with occasional projects around our grounds. Do you enjoy connecting with new friends? Ask our Shirley Hobrock (shirleyjhobrock@hotmail.com), our

WELCOMING Committee chair, about opportunities to help with a welcoming and greeting event, held roughly every three months. All committee leaders will happily find a way you can help just one morning or afternoon.

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--three or four Sundays each year. Ask Harriette Janke at 539-0865 or ahjanke@cox.net

KS DENTAL CHARITABLE FOUNDATION EVENT

The Fellowship will be collecting 500 4 oz fruit cups, to contribute to an event providing free dental treatment for low-income residents in Manhattan, at the National Guard Armory, on January 27 and 28. *A box will be provided for fruit cups thru Sunday, January 22.* Learn more from Aimee Fowler at aimee.mae@gmail.com.

HELPING HANDS SUNDAY

Each month on the second Sunday, our Social Action Committee selects a non-profit agency or organization to receive the morning offering. On Sunday, JANUARY 8, Helping Hands contributions will be collected for the **UFM PROJECT EXCELL**, providing a college-like experience to developmentally delayed adults. Learn more about this program at www.tryufm.org/excell.html.

On December 11, Fellowship members and friends contributed our morning collection to go holiday shopping for families at the Manhattan Emergency Shelter. THANK YOU all for your generous donations! Learn more from Helping Hands coordinator Dixie Moreau at 477-8188 or dixie.moreau53@att.net.



FAIR TRADE COFFEE, TEA, AND CHOCOLATE

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 anne_cowan@sbcglobal.net.

To be a prophet requires living in and looking at the present, at what is really going on around you.

... Anne Carson

KPA RALLY -- KANSAS PEOPLE'S AGENDA 2017

Imagine, 1,000+ people in our State Capitol on January 11, 2017, all together setting the agenda for the 2017 Legislative session! We need to raise the heat! This is an inclusive effort of Black, Brown, Muslim, Christian, LGBTQAI, Union, Democrat, Republican, Green, Teachers, Clergy, Students, and more ... so much is at stake. It's time to rise! Over 100 people and many organizations from around the state began planning this fall to build a coalition of people to stand in the capital as a united front. *WE NEED YOU TO JOIN US!*

The Capitol building opens at 8 am. We need folks to arrive by 9:30 am. 1000+ people take time to process and get situated! There will be other things to do, also--visiting your legislator, sitting in on a committee meeting, sightseeing in our beautiful capital, and more.

Please visit the FB event page **KANSAS PEOPLE'S AGENDA 2017** for details--we'll post an event website, contacts, and logistics details. You can learn more about the agenda there, order a t-shirt, and invite more people. More information will be forthcoming about transportation and local coordination. MAPJ is involved, and you can learn more from Sylvia Beeman, John Exdell, Sabrina Bowker, or Jonalu Johnstone at 537-2349 or revjonalu@uufm.net.

Reverend Jonalu Johnstone

presents

Path to Membership

a series of three classes

for those considering becoming a Fellowship member,
and those who want to learn more about Unitarian Universalism

following the service on

Sunday, January 15, 22, and 29

at 12:15 pm

*We hope you can join us. Learn more from Jonalu
at 537-2349 or revjonalu@uufm.net. Talk to Sandy Nelson
at 341-0135 or dre@uufm.net, if you'll need childcare during classes.*



TREASURER'S MID-YEAR REPORT

BUDGET APPROVED LAST APRIL:

Income
(pledges, basket, fundraising, other) .. \$142,405
Transfer from Ministerial Savings + 30,525
Expenses for year
(payroll, facilities, other)..... = \$172,930

ACTUAL YEAR-TO-DATE (JUNE-NOV):

Income
(48% of budget) \$ 68,982
Plus: Transfer from Ministerial Savings
(33% of budget) + 10,000
Less: Expenses
(48% of budget) \$ 82,284
Net Income \$ -3,302

This is a good mid-year picture; however, I must report that pledges are \$20,000 short of goal. We did receive over \$3,000 in memorial donations this fall that was not expected. All expenses have been close to budget. At this point, the Board plans to stay the course and hope members and others will feel inspired to support our vision.

Kathleen Oldfather, Treasurer

Learn more about Fellowship finances, make your pledge, or set up a convenient automatic payment option. Contact Fellowship Treasurer Kathleen Oldfather at 537-3738 or kjoldfather@gmail.com.

HOLIDAY CRAFT AND BAKE SALE

A huge *THANK YOU* to everyone for their participation in the Holiday Craft and Bake Sale. We raised around \$1,400 for the Fellowship's General Operations Fund.

UPDATE FROM STRATEGIC PLANNING COMMITTEE

Strategic Planning Committee chair Kathleen Tanona (537-6208 or kmtanona@hotmail.com), offers this report:

The Strategic Planning Committee is focusing on our facilities. We had a congregational workshop in September and several of you attended, sharing your ideas for the future of the facilities at UUFM. After approval from the Board, we were able to hire a local architecture firm to help us with a site assessment. A site assessment looks at our current facilities and tries to evaluate our needs, our wants and what we have already in place. We are currently working with Brent Bowman of BBN Architects. You may know them from projects developed at the University or locally in Manhattan. Two examples are the Hale Library and the Children's wing at the Manhattan Public Library. They have been great to work with and I truly have the sense of them listening and incorporating our vision at UUFM. Very recently they provided us with a possible plan for us to think about the feasibility of expansion at UUFM. We have real and immediate needs, especially for classroom space and Brent and his colleagues were able to give us a vision of possible solutions, using our current build-ing and using green/sustainable ideas worked into the plan. I will be speaking with the Board about their findings and look forward to sharing with all of you what the next recommendations are from your Strategic Planning Committee.



Members are encouraged to attend a

Congregational Meeting

on Sunday, **February 5,**
following the morning service,

to discuss and vote upon a resolution regarding ending the use of Native American mascots in our community schools. This meeting has been rescheduled from the original date of December 18, when frigid weather prevented the gathering of a quorum. Many UUFM members and Rev Johnstone have been active in the movement to change the mascot, currently an "Indian." ReImageMHK approached Rev Johnstone to ask if the Fellowship would publicly support changing the MHS mascot. In accordance with our Bylaws, the congregation must first discuss and vote on whether UUFM should issue a public statement of support. Learn more and find resources about the use of Native American people as mascots, at <https://reimagemhk.wordpress.com>.

The resolution to be considered:

The Unitarian Universalist Fellowship of Manhattan (UUFM) stands with ReImageMHK to support removing Native American ("Indian") mascots from our community schools. UUFM feels the evidence that such mascots harm youth, including the documented fact that they lead our youth to hold over-simplified and erroneous ideas about present day native people, present a moral dilemma that can only be resolved by phasing out the use of Native American mascots in our community's schools. UUFM understands that this transition may take time, but nonetheless asserts that the decision must be made, now, to end the use of Native American mascots in our community schools.

COFFEE AND GREETING TEAMS



- Jan 1: **CASUAL REFRESHMENTS**
Everyone is a greeter!
- Jan 8: Linda Kroeger, Marisa Larson, and Susan Gormely
- Jan 15: Cathy Hedge, Sabrina Bowker, and Jessica Sievers
- Jan 22: Laura & Mike Bonella, Jayci Hamm, Laura Roberson, and Jane Pelletier
- Jan 29: Anne Cowan, Amanda Mansfield, and Christopher Renner

Learn more about coffee and greeting teams from Harriette Janke at 539-0865 or ahjanke@cox.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 Linda Kroeger at 565-5645 or llkroeger@gmail.com.

OVERFLOW PARKING

Kaw Valley Greenhouse has given permission for Fellowship members and friends to park in their lot, across Zeandale Road, when our parking is full. Be considerate of those unable to walk distances, if you are able to walk from the Greenhouse.

Administrator's Schedule

Tuesday,	Jan	3 -	1 to 6 pm
Thursday,	Jan	5 -	1 to 6 pm
Saturday,	Jan	7 -	2 to 5 pm
Monday,	Jan	9 -	1 to 6 pm
Tuesday,	Jan	10 -	1 to 6 pm
Thursday,	Jan	12 -	1 to 6 pm
Saturday,	Jan	14 -	2 to 5 pm
Tuesday,	Jan	17 -	1 to 6 pm
Thursday,	Jan	19 -	1 to 6 pm
Saturday,	Jan	21 -	2 to 5 pm
Monday,	Jan	23 -	1 to 6 pm
Tuesday,	Jan	24 -	1 to 6 pm
Thursday,	Jan	26 -	1 to 6 pm
Saturday,	Jan	28 -	2 to 5 pm
Monday,	Jan	30 -	1 to 6 pm
Tuesday,	Jan	31 -	1 to 6 pm

Call office administrator Susan Turner at 537-2349 during office hours, or drop into the office. She may be reached by email at office@uufm.net.

HELPFUL INFORMATION FOR MEMBERS AND FRIENDS

Contact Fellowship administrator Susan Turner at 539-3272 or office@uufm.net to **UPDATE YOUR MAILING ADDRESS, PHONE, or EMAIL**, or to **CANCEL YOUR SUBSCRIPTION** to this newsletter. You may also contact Susan to learn how to join our private **COFFEE AND CONVERSATIONS FACEBOOK** group.

If you have been considering **BECOMING A MEMBER** of UUFM, ask Welcoming chair Shirley Hobrock at 776-3175 or shirleyjhobrock@hotmail.com, or Jonalu Johnstone at 537-2349 or revjonalu@uufm.net, to learn more.

Fellowship members may receive **UU WORLD MAGAZINE**, without cost.

An audio version of *UU World* is available for those with vision or reading difficulties. Subscribe by contacting Susan Turner at 537-2349 or office@uufm.net. Read *UU World* online at 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 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 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, **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 or support, please let our Caring Committee know. Contact Caring Committee chair Linda Kroeger at 565-9645 or llkroeger@gmail.com, or let us know at 537-2349 or 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.

FEBUARY NEWSLETTER DEADLINE

The deadline for submissions to the January edition of *The UUFM Voice* is Sunday, **JANUARY 22**. Submissions received later will not be included in the newsletter. Send your submissions to Susan Turner at 539-3272 or office@uufm.net. *Committee chairs and activity organizers*, please let Susan know about your activities and volunteer needs.

JANUARY 2017 at UUFM

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1 10:45 AM SUNDAY SERVICE <i>2016 Losses in the Human Family</i>	2	3 1 TO 6 PM SUSAN TURNER 1 TO 5 PM JONALU JOHNSTONE 3:30 TO 4:30 PM SANDY NELSON at Fellowship, 537-2349	4 12 NOON MEN'S LUNCH Jupiter room 3 TO 6 PM JONALU JOHNSTONE at Fellowship, 537-2349 6 PM AWED POTLUCK	5 1 TO 6 PM SUSAN TURNER 3:30 TO 4:30 PM SANDY NELSON at Fellowship, 537-2349	6 7 AM HAPPY KITCHEN breakfast St Paul's Episcopal Jennifer Bryan, 537-0333 6:30 TO 9:30 PM PARENT NIGHT OUT 7 PM BEER AND THEOLOGY Auntie Mae's Parlor	7 10 AM TO 12 PM JONALU JOHNSTONE at Radina's Bakehouse, 405 627-3859 2 TO 5 PM SUSAN TURNER at Fellowship, 537-2349
8 10:45 AM SUNDAY SERVICE <i>What Does It Mean to be a Community of Prophecy?</i> HELPING HANDS SUNDAY UFM Project EXCELL	9 1 TO 6 PM SUSAN TURNER at Fellowship, 537-2349	10 1 TO 6 PM S TURNER 1:30 TO 5 PM J JOHNSTONE 3:30 TO 4:30 PM S NELSON at Fellowship, 537-2349 7 PM BOARD MEETING M Campbell, 913 709-4693	11 9 AM TO 4 PM KS PEOPLES AGENDA RALLY Kansas State Capitol Bldg see page 6 of newsletter 12 NOON MEN'S LUNCH Jupiter room	12 12 PM UU CAMPUS LUNCH Student Union Food Court 1 TO 6 PM S TURNER 1 TO 5 PM J JOHNSTONE 3:30 TO 4:30 PM S NELSON at Fellowship, 537-2349	13 2 TO 4 PM JONALU JOHNSTONE at Radinas Bakehouse, 405 627-3859 7 PM UU DRUM CIRCLE Pat Embers, 539-2819	14 2 TO 5 PM SUSAN TURNER at Fellowship, 537-2349
15 9 AM SINGERS rehearse 10:45 AM SUNDAY SERVICE <i>The Prophet in Birmingham Jail</i> 12:15 PM PATH TO MEMBERSHIP	16	17 1 TO 6 PM SUSAN TURNER 1 TO 5 PM JONALU JOHNSTONE 3:30 TO 4:30 PM SANDY NELSON at Fellowship, 537-2349	18 2 TO 4 PM J JOHNSTONE at Radinas Aggieville, 405 627-3859 12 NOON MEN'S LUNCH Jupiter room 6:30 PM GAME NIGHT Carrie Roberts, 313-3236	19 1 TO 6 PM SUSAN TURNER 1 TO 5 PM JONALU JOHNSTONE 3:30 TO 4:30 PM SANDY NELSON at Fellowship, 537-2349	20 7 AM HAPPY KITCHEN breakfast St Paul's Episcopal Jennifer Bryan, 537-0333	21 2 TO 5 PM SUSAN TURNER at Fellowship, 537-2349
22 10:45 AM SUNDAY SERVICE <i>Today's Prophetic Voices</i> 12:15 PM PATH TO MEMBERSHIP <i>last minute NEWSLETTER DEADLINE</i>	23 1 TO 6 PM SUSAN TURNER at Fellowship, 537-2349	24 1 TO 6 PM SUSAN TURNER 1:30 TO 5 PM JONALU JOHNSTONE 3:30 TO 4:30 PM SANDY NELSON at Fellowship, 537-2349	25 10 AM TO 12 PM J JOHNSTONE at Radinas Aggieville, 405 627-3859 12 NOON MEN'S LUNCH 3 PM MEADOWLARK SERVICE	26 1 TO 6 PM SUSAN TURNER 1 TO 5 PM JONALU JOHNSTONE 3:30 TO 4:30 PM SANDY NELSON at Fellowship, 537-2349	27 10 AM BOOK DISCUSSION Judy Cattell at 320-5470	28 2 TO 5 PM SUSAN TURNER at Fellowship, 537-2349
29 9 AM SINGERS rehearse 10:45 AM SUNDAY SERVICE <i>Faith and Authenticity</i> 12:15 PM PATH TO MEMBERSHIP	30 1 TO 6 PM SUSAN TURNER at Fellowship, 537-2349	31 1 TO 6 PM SUSAN TURNER 1 TO 5 PM JONALU JOHNSTONE 3:30 TO 4:30 PM SANDY NELSON at Fellowship, 537-2349				