

WHAT DOES IT MEAN TO BE **A PEOPLE OF INTENTION?**

Here's what I discovered. Intention is different from setting goals or resolutions in that it "pulls us into" who we truly are. Goals and resolutions "push us out" into future possibilities. To set intentions, we listen to our inner voice which tells us who we truly are.

-- Katie Covey, on what she learned from Soul Matters colleagues during their brainstorming session on being a people of intention

So here we are again, in the month of January with its talk of daring resolutions and its demanding call to "become better." It's hard not to buy into it. After all, it seems so well-intended. I mean, who could argue with the goal of self-improvement? And so most of us gladly go along and declare, "This is the year I'm going to finally be a better me!"

But are we sure this is what we really want? When you read that quote above about being "pulled in" rather than "pushed out," what happens in your heart? Do you find yourself still excited about the New Year's work of striving to become a brand new self? Or do you suddenly notice an internal whisper that says "I long to be pulled in more deeply to the self I already am?" In other words, maybe our real New Year's work is not about leaping into self-improvement, but about pausing, stepping back and asking, "What hunger really has my heart?"

There is, after all, a big difference between becoming better and becoming ourselves. Self-improvement is not the same as self-alignment. Wanting to get from point A to point B is something quite different from longing to find your inner anchor. Goals and intentions may indeed be more distinct than we have thought.

So this month, maybe our most important work is to make room. All around us, there's going to be plenty of busy

talk about being "a people of goals and resolutions." We are going to get more than enough advice about how to stay focused on a new future for ourselves. But in the midst of it all, may we, as a people of intention, also carve out a quieter place that keeps our attention closer to the present and who we *already are at our center*. May we make space for listening before we leap into the striving. And as we do that, maybe we will discover that this isn't the year of "finally becoming a better me." Maybe we'll decide it's enough to simply "finally be me."



JANUARY 2018 SUNDAY SERVICES

OUR THEME IN JANUARY EXLORES "WHAT DOES IT MEAN TO BE A PEOPLE OF **INTENTION**?"

JANUARY 7 "BEING INTENTIONALLY UU"

Rev Jonalu Johnstone leads this service. As we enjoy the travelling General Assembly chalice, we're reminded of our connection with Unitarian Universalism. How do we intentionally live our identities as UU's? What difference does it make in our lives? Some of our members will share as a part of the service. Convener is Christopher Renner at 341-9459 or renner1974@gmail.com.

Following the morning service on January 7, members are urged to attend a **CONGREGATIONAL MEETING** to vote on the continuation of our **DEVELOPMENTAL MINISTRY** contract with Rev Jonalu Johnstone. Learn more on page 7.

JANUARY 14 "WHERE DO WE GO FROM HERE? THE POOR PEOPLE'S CAMPAIGN PAST AND PRESENT"

Rev Jonalu Johnstone speaks. Martin Luther King, Jr, shortly before his assassination, was planning a Poor People's Campaign, to draw attention to the suffering of people and to declare the connections among systemic racism, poverty, and militarization. The campaign happened even without Dr King, yet the issues remain. Only by thinking through the connectedness of issues that confront us can we address them with intention. Today's Poor People's Campaign confronts the same issues, with the addition of exploitation of the Earth. What do we learn from Dr. King to bring intention to our social justice work? Convener is Rob DeLong at 417 761-2488 or rkdelong@gmail.com.

JANUARY 21 "THE GIFT OF STARTING OVER"

Rev Jill Jarvis, of the Unitarian Congregation of Lawrence, leads this service. New beginnings are often forced upon us by inevitable change and loss. But it's also possible to offer ourselves the gift of starting over, intentionally taking the risk of moving beyond the familiar, safe, and comfortable. When is change an unhealthy avoidance of what is broken? Is change for the sake of change ever a good idea? Join us as we look both forward and backwards in the times of our lives, with creativity and intention. Convener is Diane Barker at 539-9163 or dogsbodyd@yahoo.com.

JANUARY 28 "THE PROMISE AND PRACTICE OF OUR FAITH"

Imagine what our faith would look like if we *upheld* and *centered* the history, the perspectives, the voices, and the leadership of Black Lives of Unitarian Universalists ... What truths might we hear, however difficult? What might we learn? How might these black UU leaders teach us to be better allies, better siblings in faith, and even better citizens in our community? The service will weave together writings of Unitarian Universalists of color with a ritual, which among other things, will set intentions which honor the past, but lean strongly into the future. A collection will be taken for Black Lives of UU (BLUU). Convener is Jonalu Johnstone at 537-2349 or revjonalu@uufm.net.



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Learn more about the Welcoming Congregation initiative at www.uua.org/lgbtq/welcoming/program

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It is not enough to be busy. So are the ants. The question is: What are you busy about?

... Henry David Thoreau

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COMING UP ...

Members are encouraged to attend a **Congregational Mtg** on continuation of our Developmental Ministry contract with Rev Johnstone, Sunday, **JANUARY 7**. Learn more on pages 7.

Join us on Wednesday, **JANUARY 10**, in Topeka, for the **Peoples' STATE OF THE STATE 2018** rally. More page 6.

Learn about more **SOCIAL JUSTICE ACTION** opportunities on page 6 of this newsletter.

JONALU'S JOURNAL -- REV JONALU JOHNSTONE

By now, you have probably heard some of the feedback from the Developmental Ministry evaluation, in preparation for the congregational vote on January 7 about continuation of Developmental Ministry. The most heartening tidbit from the evaluation for me was the extent to which people are in-



volved in the community. Over half the members of the fellowship answered surveys and of them, 61% had attended local rallies for social causes, 30% had attended City Commission meetings, and 27% had attended statewide rallies.

These numbers tell me that we have a congregation committed to making a difference in the world. I regularly see letters to the editor and social networking posts from many of you, addressing issues of concern. Members of the congregation also volunteer in a wide variety of charitable community causes--Happy Kitchen feeding people in need; CASA advocating for at risk children; Shepherd's Crossing, Fairy Godmothers and Guardian Angels helping people access financial resources, Peggy Bowman to help women needing abortions, and so many more. UUFM folks care and work to bring their values into the world.

There are multiple reasons this matters. First, our world desperately needs our values, including respect for the inherent worth and dignity of every person, commitment to justice, equality, and democracy, respect for the interdependent web of all existence. These need to be championed at every opportunity. Second, our congregation needs the outward focus. We do not want to be an inward-focused group, because that leads to atrophy. Finally, the way we grow into being the best individual people we can be is through engagement with the world. Working to transform the world changes us. So, applying ourselves to the work of the world is good for the world, good UUFM and good for us individually.

In keeping with these commitments, I invite you to consider two upcoming opportunities for participation. First, I encourage anyone who can to join the Kansas People's Agenda, Manhattan Alliance for Peace and Justice, and Kansas Interfaith Alliance at the People's State of the State 2018--Wednesday, January 10, at the capitol in Topeka. The rally is scheduled for 11:30 to 1, with opportunities beforehand for training in citizen lobbying and afterward, time to meet with your legislators. See <u>https://kansaspeoplesagenda.org</u> for more information or to sign up. If you want to ride along with others, you can sign up at https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSeWfuNpElLJlkChvy03cX_dAyomncmdGk-KR5is0_HYfJnXOA/viewform.

The second opportunity to consider is making a commitment to dismantling racism by joining our Beloved Conversations team, which will be engaged first in learning through a retreat and classes. More information is available about that elsewhere in this newsletter. I am happy to talk with you about it if you have questions.

However you are engaged in changing the world, I invite you this month to consider it intentionally. All of us are called in different ways. What's yours?

In faith and freedom,

Jonalu

Talk to Rev Jonalu Johnstone after Sunday services, or contact her at 537-2349 or revjonalu@uufm.net. Read Jonalu's blog at <u>uufm.net/topic/minister-blog/</u>

CALL TO MEETING - JANUARY 7, 2018

Following the Sunday morning service on JANUARY 7, members are encouraged to attend a congregational meeting to vote on the *extension of our Developmental Ministry contract with Rev Jonalu Johnstone*. For more information, contact Board Chair Courtney Albin at 317-8157 or courtney.albin@gmail.com.

Rev Jonalu Johnstone's Schedule							
Thursday,	Jan	4 - 1 to 5 pm					
Friday,	Jan	5 - 2 to 4 pm, Radina's Bakehouse					
Tuesday,	Jan	9 - 1:30 to 5 pm					
Saturday,	Jan	13 - 10 am to 12 pm, Radina's Bakehouse					
Tuesday,	Jan	16 - 1 to 5 pm					
Wednesday,	Jan	17 - 2 to 4 pm, Radina's Aggieville					
Thursday,	Jan	18 - 1 to 5 pm					
Tuesday,	Jan	0 - 1 to 5 pm					
Wednesday,	Jan	31 - 10 am to 12 pm, Radina's Aggieville					
Jonalu on will be on holiday thru January 2. January 22 thru 26, she will be at the UUMA Institute. During office hours, contact Jonalu at the Fellowship at 537-2349. During "out- of-office" hours drop into Radina's 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

CLASSES

HAPPY New YEAR! 2018 is going to be an awesome year so we're starting the celebration with a **MENTOS EXPLOSION** on January 7--don't miss it!

Remember: All children must be registered for the school year. Registration forms are available on the RE bulletin board, at the end of the hallway, as well as online at http://form.jotform.us/form/51486475507160.

See you soon, Sandy

Talk with Director of Religious Education Sandy Nelson most Sunday mornings before or after the service, or contact her at 341-0135 or dre@uufm.net.

OUR WHOLE LIVES (OWL)



OWL K-2 -- Our Whole Lives for those in Kindergarten through 2nd grade starts in February and runs through mid-March. The K-2 program supports parents in educating children about birth, babies, bodies and families. The weekly one-hour sessions engage children with stories, songs, and activities and

include a weekly HomeLink--a homework project for parents and children to do together. If you have questions about this nationally acclaimed curriculum, or if you intend to sign up your child(ren) for the class, please attend a **PARENT INFORMATION MEETING** on Sunday, JANUARY 14, <u>or</u> JANUARY 21, after the morning service. Of course, you can always contact Sandy at 341-0135 or <u>dre@uufm.net</u> with questions.

OWL 7-9 -- We'll also be offering the Our Whole Lives curriculum for young teens beginning Sunday, JANUARY 7, and continuing Sunday afternoons, from 12:30 to 3:00 pm. Jen and Matt Campbell, and Molly McGaughey are our trained facilitators. We understand that students won't be able to make every class, but we hope they can attend most. If you have a student in 7th-9th grade and would like them to attend, let Sandy know. She's happy to answer questions about the OWL program. There's also great information at <u>www.uua.org/re/owl</u>.

DRE'S SCHEDULE

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

Talk with Director of Religious Education Sandy Nelson most Sunday mornings before or after the service, or contact her at 341-0135 or dre@uufm.net.

PARENT NIGHT OUT / KID NIGHT IN

Join us for Parent Night Out (Kid Night In) at 6:30 pm, on Friday, JANUARY 5. Parent Night Out (Kid Night In) is for children from 3-12 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 Years 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. <u>Remember: this is an RSVP event</u> and space is limited. Please RSVP no later than Thursday, January 4. Learn more from Sandy Nelson at 341-0135 or DRE@uufm.net.

OWL PARENT INFORMATION MEETING

Parents of Kindergarten thru 2nd grade students who will participate in Our Whole Lives classes beginning in February, and parents with questions, are asked to attend a **PARENT INFORMATION MEETING** on Sunday, JANUARY 14, <u>or</u> Sunday, JANUARY 21, after the morning service. Of course, you can always contact Sandy at 341-0135 or <u>dre@uufm.net</u> with questions.

Cat:	Where are you going?		
Alice:	Which way should I go?		
Cat:	That depends on where you are going.		
Alice:	I don't know.		
Cat:	Then it doesn't matter which way you go.		
	Lewis Carroll,		

in Alice in Wonderland

ACTIVITIES AND EVENTS - EVENTS ARE OPEN TO ALL INTERESTED PEOPLE

- 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 3. Following dinner at 6 pm. Those attending are invited to join committee meetings of interest. Learn more from Jessica Sievers at 532-8471 or sieversj@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. *Please note: the group will NOT meet on Monday, January 1.* Learn more from Jane Pelletier at 537-0954 or mjanepelletier@gmail.com.
- Don't miss **BEER AND THEOLOGY**, on the first Friday of every month. This month, we meet on JANUARY 5, at 7 pm, at Auntie Mae's in Aggieville. Contact Chris Bailey at 341-8997 or meadbailey@gmail.com.
- Join us for **MEDITATION CIRCLES**, ON SUNDAY AFTERNOONS, at 4 PM, in the sanctuary. All those interested in participating and sharing your meditation experiences is invited. Learn more from Jonalu at 537-2349 or revjonalu@uufm.net, or just drop in!
- The UUFM **Book Discussion Group** gathers on Friday, JANUARY 26, at 10 am, in the Meadowlark Hills Living Room. We'll discuss Edwidge Danticat's *Claire of the Sea Light*. Learn more from Lorrie Cross at 539-7883 or Imcross@kansas.net.

COMMUNITY READ: THE INTERFAITH LEADER: A PRIMER, BY EBOO PATEL

Our city needs a stronger interfaith presence. We'll only get that by training interfaith leaders, and Eboo Patel, founder and President of the Interfaith Youth Core (<u>www.ifyc.org</u>) has written a book to help us do that. We will have some books available for purchase here at the Fellowship, and also at UFM. Manhattan Nonviolence Initiative is co-sponsoring the read, as part of this year's Season for Nonviolence. Join us on February 5, at 7 pm at the library for a discussion. Encourage others you know from other religious traditions--

and none--to come along. Learn more from Jonalu at 537-2349 or revjonalu@uufm.net.

BELOVED CONVERSATIONS

The racism of our community and our nation has been continually revealed in sometimes painful



ways over the last few years. We need tools to find responses, and more than that, to create new ways of being together and healing from racism. The Kansas and Kansas City UU congregations have committed to a path, engaging trained facilitators from a UU perspective to help us on journey. Each congregation will have a team of up to ten who will take first steps by attending a retreat March 9-10, then participate in a weekly class for 8 weeks. If you are interested in being part of our team, contact Jonalu. Learn more at www.meadville.edu/beloved. If you'd like to contribute financially to making this opportunity available throughout Kansas and Kansas City, you can do that at https://faithify.org/projects/bring-beloved-conversations-to-kansas-kc/.

INVITATION FROM INDIVISIBLEMHK

Indivisible ManhattanKS invites us to a book discussion of Nancy Isenberg's White Trash: The 400-year Untold Story of Class in America, on Tuesday, JANUARY 23, at 6:30 pm, in the Manhattan Public Library Auditorium. In her history of the class system in America, Nancy Isenberg takes on our comforting myths about equality. The wretched and landless poor have existed from the time of the earliest British colonial settlement to today ... Marginalized as a class, white trash have always been at or near the center of major political debates over ... American identity. Learn more from Christopher Renner at 341-9459 or renner1974@gmail.com.

UU GENERAL ASSEMBLY 2018 IN KC!

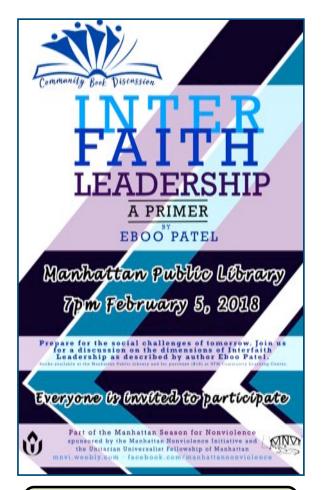
UU General Assembly is coming to Kansas City, JUNE 20 to 24. Here's a way you can register for GA for FREE! Commit to volunteer for 18 hours during the 5 days, your registration fee of \$395 will be waived and you can enjoy most of GA for free. We need 21 volunteers to welcome people to the convention center, answer questions about what to do and how to get around Kansas City, and help them find events within Bartle Hall Conference Center. Interested UUs may contact Bob Miller at treegnomebob@gmail.com by JANUARY 30 to learn more. Getting your name to Bob now gets you priority on the list of volunteers to serve as ambassadors.

UUFM SINGERS

The UUFM Singers rehearse on Sunday, JANUARY 14 and 28, at 9 am. This is a noaudition choir; participation is limited only by singers' willingness to show up for rehearsal, to respect the conductor's choice of music, and to follow his directions. Learn more about all musical opportunities at the Fellowship from Michael Oldfather, at 537-3738 or mou812@ksu.edu.

MEADOWLARK HILLS SERVICE

Join us on Wednesday, JANUARY 24, at 3 pm, in Meadowlark's Manhattan room. Learn more from Jonalu Johnstone at 537-2349 or revjonalu@uufm.net.



VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

This month, Fellowship volunteers prepare and serve **HAPPY KITCHEN COMMUNITY BREAKFAST** on Friday, JANUARY 5 and 19, 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. *Volunteers are needed for regular teams, about once every six weeks, or as substitutes, two or three times each year.* Learn more from Tom Phillips at 405 880-6483 or twp1@ksu.edu, or Rob DeLong at 417 761-2488 rkdelong@gmail.com.

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 harriettejanke@gmail.com.

Helping Hands Sunday

During the service on Sunday, JANUARY 14, 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 <u>www.tryufm.org/excell.html</u>.

On December 10, Fellowship members and friends contributed the morning's collection to the purchase of Holiday gifts and essential items for our adopted families from MESI. Thank you all for your generous gifts!!! 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 Equal Exchange kiosk in the Fellowship's narthex, or contact her at 537-2025 or anne_cowan@sbcglobal.net.

Equal Exchange works in collaboration with the Unitarian Universalist Service Committee (UUSC). They source goods directly from farmer cooperatives, following the standards and principles of fair trade on 100 percent of its products.

Conscious change is brought about by the two qualities inherent in consciousness – intention and attention ... Whatever you put your attention on will grow stronger in your life. Whatever you take your attention away from will wither, disintegrate and disappear.

... Deepak Chopra

PEOPLE'S STATE OF THE STATE 2018

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UUA GENERAL ASSEMBLY 2018

is coming to Kansas City, **JUNE 20** TO **24**, 2018!!!

You can register for GA for FREE. If you can commit to volunteer for 18 hours during the 5 days, your registration fee of \$395 will be waived and you can enjoy most of GA for free.
Volunteers are needed to welcome people to the convention center, answer questions about what to do and how to get around town, and help them find events within Bartle Hall Conference Center.

Interested UUs may *contact Bob Miller at <u>treegnomebob@gmail.com</u> by January 30* to learn more. Getting your name to Bob now gets you priority on the list of volunteers to serve as local ambassadors.



Each year prior to General Assembly, the **TRAVELING CHALICE**

[seen above at the UU Fellowship of Salina in August 2017] hits the road as an ambassador and clarion call spreading the word about GA. The Traveling Chalice comes here, to the UU Fellowship of Manhattan,

on Sunday, **JANUARY 7**,

just in time for our congregational meeting on the continuation of our developmental ministry! TREASURER'S REPORT - 1ST HALF OF FY 2018/18 (JUNE THRU NOVEMBER)

	2018/18 Budget	YTD	% of Budget	% of Year
Income	\$143,500	\$ 75,529	53%	50%
Expenses	176,660	80,084	45%	50%
Transfer of Savings	34,160	- 0 -		
Net after Transfer	- 0 -	- 4,555		

THANK YOU for your ongoing support and pledges. Learn more about Fellowship finances, make your pledge, or set up a convenient automatic payment option. Learn more from Fellowship Treasurer Kathleen Oldfather at 537-3738 or kjoldfather@gmail.com.

Before you tell your life what you intend to do with it, listen for what it intends to do with you. Before you tell your life what truths and values you have decided to live up to, let your life tell you what truths you embody, what values you represent.

... Parker J Palmer

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to vote on the extension of our Developmental Ministry contract with Rev Jonalu Johnstone. Learn more from UUFM Board Chair Courtney Albin at <u>courtney.albin@gmail.com</u> or 317-8157.



- Jan 7: Harriette Janke, Tom Phillips, and Susan Adamchak
- Jan 14: Betty Banner, Enell Foerster, Chris Bailey, and Deirdre Greeley
- Jan 21: Judy Exdell, Diane Barker, and Gail Ragan
- Jan 28: Sylvia and Dick Beeman, and Ken and Pat Embers

Learn more about coffee and greeting teams from Harriette Janke at 539-0865 or harriettejanke@gmail.com.

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 Ilkroeger@gmail.com.

Administrator's Schedule

Tuesday,	January	2 -	1 to 6 pm
Thursday,	January	4 -	1 to 6 pm
Saturday,	January	6 -	2 to 5 pm
Monday,	January	8 -	1 to 6 pm
Tuesday,	January	9 -	1 to 6 pm
Thursday,	January	11 -	1 to 6 pm
Saturday,	January	13 -	2 to 5 pm
Monday,	January	15 -	1 to 6 pm
Tuesday,	January	16 -	1 to 6 pm
Thursday,	January	18 -	1 to 6 pm
Saturday,	January	20 -	2 to 5 pm
Monday,	January	22 -	1 to 6 pm
Tuesday,	January	23 -	1 to 6 pm
Thursday,	January	25 -	1 to 6 pm
Saturday,	January	27 -	2 to 5 pm
Monday,	January	29 -	1 to 6 pm
Tuesday,	January	30 -	1 to 6 pm
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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 <u>www.uuworld.org</u>.
- 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 Ilkroeger@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.

FEBRUARY NEWSLETTER DEADLINE

To coordinate postings across our multiple media outlets, the deadline for submissions to the *The UUFM Voice* will be Monday, **JANUARY 15**. Submissions received later will not be included in the newsletter. Please send your newsletter contributions to Susan Turner at 539-3272 or office@uufm.net.

JANUARY 2018 at UUFM

