



WHAT DOES IT MEAN TO BE

A PEOPLE OF PERSEVERANCE?

People cry not because they are weak. It's because they've been strong too long. -- Shane Koyczan

This morning I have been pondering a nearly forgotten lesson I learned in high school music. Sometimes in band or choir, music requires players or singers to hold a note longer than they actually can hold a note. In those cases, we were taught to mindfully stagger when we took a breath so the sound appeared uninterrupted. Everyone got to breathe, and the music stayed strong and vibrant ... So let's remember the advice of music: Take a breath. The rest of the chorus will sing. The rest of the band will play. Rejoin so others can breathe. Together, we can sustain a very long, beautiful song for a very, very long time. You don't have to do it all, but you must add your voice to the song.

-- Michael Moore

So, have you been strong too long?

It's not the usual question when tackling the topic of perseverance. Most often, we're asked, "Are you ready to be strong?" The standard recipe is well known: Buck up! Grin and bear it! Keep pushing! Keep moving forward! Dig deep; you are stronger than you know! But maybe Koyczan is right. Maybe this typical roadmap isn't the path to perseverance; maybe it's just the path to breakdown.

And when we combine Koyczan's quote with Moore's invitation to breathe, we suddenly see that balance plays a bigger role in perseverance than we often assume. As a people of perseverance, we are being called not just to grit and strong wills, but to gentleness and self-care. Constantly pushing ourselves without also giving ourselves the gift of pause gets us nowhere. Digging deeper without making time to deepen and fill our wells is a recipe for self-inflicted pain.

All of which is to say that maybe vulnerability is the real secret to perseverance. Maybe admitting you're tired and asking for help is the real strength that gets us through. That dominant myth of Sisyphus pushing his rock up that endless hill hasn't done us any favors. We assume that Sisyphus is suffering because his work is endless, but maybe it's his isolation and lack of a place to rest that is his true torment.

So, friends, this month, let's not torment ourselves. We don't have to give up those pep talks about digging deep and being stronger than we know. But right alongside that, let's make sure we're also doing the more tender work of propping each other up and reminding each other to breathe.

Rabbi David Wolf tells a story that we all should carry with us this month:

A boy and his father were walking along a road when they came across a large stone. "Do you think if I use all of my strength, I can move this rock?" the child asked. His father answered, "If you use all of your strength, I am sure you can do it." The boy began to push the rock. Exerting himself as much as he could, he pushed and pushed. The rock did not move. Discouraged, he said to his father, "You were wrong. I can't do it." His father put his arm around the boy's shoulder and said, "No son. You didn't use all your strength--you didn't ask me to help."

What a gift to remember that perseverance isn't a solo act. May that be the gift this month gives us all.



FEBRUARY 2018 SUNDAY SERVICES

OUR THEME IN FEBRUARY EXPLORES
"WHAT DOES IT MEAN TO BE A PEOPLE OF **PERSEVERANCE**?"

FEBRUARY 4 "HOW DO WE PERSEVERE?"

Rev Jonalu Johnstone guides this service. For many of us, it's been a tough year. Hanging in there, whether from personal disaster or political turmoil, is easier said than done. How do we keep going when we're discouraged, depressed, or downcast? We'll consider what science, our faith, and that of others have to teach us to help us keep on keeping on. Convener is Marisa Larson at 240 305-0895 or marisa.larson@gmail.com.

FEBRUARY 11 "SPIRITUAL JOURNEYS"

Join us to hear from an inter-generational group of UUFM members and friends as they answer, "How do you persevere in your UU faith?" We will examine our most difficult moments being, living, and acting UU--and what has kept us on course. This service will include informal question and answer discussion around the theme. Convener is Mark Clarke at 341-7308 or ibyte64@gmail.com.

FEBRUARY 18 "FOLLOWING THE PULSE OF LIFE TO PERSEVERE"

Rev Jonalu Johnstone speaks. Wendell Berry writes, "When despair for the world grows in me ... I go and lie down where the wood drake rests ..." Returning to nature, especially the cycles of nature and the pulse of life can revitalize and fill us so that we can persevere. Mark Mayfield, at 776-6495 or ferguson.mayfield@gmail.com, convenes.

Come for the inspiration of The Oneness of Everything, sung by our choir with special musical guest Aaron Ford. Learn more about musical events and opportunities at the Fellowship on page 5 of this newsletter.

FEBRUARY 25 "THE PERSEVERANCE OF THE OUTSIDER"

Rev Jonalu Johnstone presents this service. As UU's we often feel like outsiders in the culture. Perseverance for outsiders may look different than for insiders. A key is finding connection, no matter who we are to others, no matter who they are. Convener is Elke Lorenz at 218-4014 or elkelorenz9@gmail.com.

If you think you are too small to make a difference, try sleeping with a mosquito.

... The Dalai Lama



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SUNDAY SERVICES begin at 10:45 AM
at **481 ZEANDALE ROAD**

*The road to success is dotted with
many tempting parking places.*

... Unknown

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COMING UP ...

Join us for **PATH TO MEMBERSHIP** after services on Sunday, **FEBRUARY 11, 18, and 25**. Learn more on pages 2 and 7.

On Monday, **FEBRUARY 5**, join in a **COMMUNITY READ** of Eboo Patel's *The Interfaith Leader: A Primer*. Learn more on page 6 of this newsletter.

Share your inspiration for Sunday services. Attend **CONVENERS TRAINING**, on Sunday, **FEBRUARY 4**. Learn more on page 5.

No one doubts that the religious scene is changing faster in this country than anyone can keep track of. First, the main-



line churches hit decline, and now, even evangelical churches are fighting to maintain their numbers. Church is no longer central to people's lives. While UU congregations are holding their own in this challenging atmosphere, it's clear that the traditional ways of gath-

ering on Sunday mornings for a service of hymns, sermon, and ritual is the way of the past rather than the future. (On a personal note, I hate saying this, because I have always loved this kind of church!)

Still, though, people long for community and connection and for meaning and purpose in their lives. How do we answer these needs? How do we create ways for people to connect, join our community, and find the meaning and purpose they seek, in the 21st century and beyond?

No one has a definitive answer. Different people and different denominations approach it in different ways. Let me tell you about recent discussions and thoughts I have had.

In mid-January, seven of our leaders met together to discuss a webinar by our regional UU staff person Phil Lund (you can view it at <https://youtu.be/Z-Ge-71sohI>). We learned about innovative efforts such as dinner churches, service organizations, on-line communities, co-living and working spaces and more. These efforts have components like openness, authenticity, service, participation, and more. The UUFM members who gathered felt we do well at UUFM on some counts; we are welcoming, open, experiential and unashamedly liberal. As we got to the question of how we serve the community we live in, we struggled a bit more. Our OWL program received enthusiastic endorsement, though. Not only do we serve the children of our congregation, but we always have a few others from other congregations involved. How might we better showcase OWL and what it accomplishes?

We do give money to nonprofit groups and have built relationships with them. Could we build on that through a monthly social action/service project and literally *be* Helping Hands?

Finally, what kind of gathering might invite people looking for both meaning and connection? We talked about "Religion with a Twist," holding a non-service kind of service where we relate to our theme, maybe even include a particular reflection--but use it as a springboard for discussion

and interaction. The Two Services Task Force will follow up on this idea.

Other things loom. Interfaith relations and cooperation. Social media presence. Worship with stronger threads of creativity. There was also a sense among those gathered that we need to more clearly and succinctly define ourselves--maybe as a community that helps people grow or a community that challenges by posing questions. Or ... ?

I'd love to hear your input. I look forward to more discussion. And making a difference in how we do church together.

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 uufm.net/topic/minister-blog/

PATH TO MEMBERSHIP

Interested friends are invited to Path to Membership, an opportunity to learn about the history of our progressive faith, share your own spiritual journeys, and expand your connections to our community. Sessions meet on Sunday, FEBRUARY 11, 18, and 25, following morning services, at 12:15 pm. Attend any, or all, sessions. Learn more from Rev Jonalu Johnstone at 537-2349 or revjonalu@uufm.net, or Shirley Hobrock, 776-3175 or shirleyjhobrock@hotmail.com. *Please let us know if you'll need childcare during classes*, so that we can make arrangements.

REV JONALU JOHNSTONE'S SCHEDULE

Thursday,	Feb 1 - 1 to 5 pm
Tuesday,	Feb 6 - 12 to 2:30 pm
Friday,	Feb 9 - 2 to 4 pm, Radina's Bakehouse
Tuesday,	Feb 13 - 1:30 to 5 pm
Wednesday,	Feb 14 - 10 am to 12 pm, Radina's Aggieville
Thursday,	Feb 15 - 1 to 5 pm
Tuesday,	Feb 20 - 1 to 5 pm
Wednesday,	Feb 21 - 1:30 to 3:30 pm, Radina's Aggieville
Thursday,	Feb 22 - 1 to 5 pm
Tuesday,	Feb 27 - 1:30 to 5 pm
Wednesday,	Feb 28 - 12:30 to 2:30 pm, Radina's on the Hill

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

ImmigrāshCON

A youth CONFERENCE for students in 7th-12th grades

February 9-11, 2018

ImmigrashCON is an opportunity for both a fun and educational experience. The theme is based around the modern issues surrounding American migrants and our current government administration's push to end immigration into the U.S. Unitarian Universalist youth will learn about current struggles of immigrants and our call to action. There will be activities both educational and fun, including: guest speakers, videos surrounding immigration, workshops such as baking and yoga, touch groups, and a variety show. We hope to see you there and can't wait to come together to have a great time!

Sponsored by Kansas UU Youth Cluster in collaboration with Shawnee Mission Unitarian Universalist Church (SMUUC)
5000 Pflumm Rd., Lenexa, KS 66215

Check-in begins at 6:00 pm Friday; departure is at 9:00 am Sunday

Youth must be in 7th - 12th grades; Adult chaperones must be at least 25 years of age and have a current background check on file at their home church. One adult chaperone needed per 10 youth. \$45 per youth. Partial Scholarships are available through USFBI.

<https://www.fda.gov/oc/ohrt/fda-ohrt-regulatory-events-tracking-system-qdr/qdr-qdr>

BAGGETT'S FAMILY

Questions? Contact Sandy Nelson, sdn@shades.net or call/text 708.942.0235.



DRE'S SCHEDULE

In February, 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

Our next Parent Night Out (Kid Night In) gathers on Friday, FEBRUARY 2, 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 and have some popcorn. Games and art projects are available. A \$5 per child contribution helps us cover expenses. Dinner is NOT served at Parent Night Out. Please be sure your children are fed before arriving. *Remember: this is an RSVP event* and space is limited. Please RSVP no later than Thursday, February 1. Learn more from Sandy Nelson at 341-0135 or DRE@uufm.net.

Success is a little like wrestling a gorilla. You don't quit when you're tired. You quit when the gorilla is tired.

... Robert Strauss

OUR WHOLE LIVES (OWL)

Our Whole Lives is in full swing. OWL 7-9 started in January and the group of 13 teenagers is very lively and engaged. They meet in the Jupiter room every Sunday from 12:30 to 3 pm. Thanks for giving them their privacy and using a different door to exit the building. OWL K-2 starts February 3 and then runs every Sunday from about 12:30 to 1:30, until March 11. If your family would like to participate in a future OWL course, please contact Sandy at 341-0135 or dre@uufm.net.

STUDENT REGISTRATION

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>.

COMING IN MARCH !!!

We get a treat in March. Dan and Kathy Swenson are leading classes for a few weeks and helping our youngest members build birdhouses!



RE STUDENTS AND
ADULTS CELEBRATED
THE NEW YEAR ON
JANUARY 7 WITH A
MENTOS GEYSER!

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. *Please note: the group will NOT meet on Monday, February 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 FEBRUARY 2, 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 are invited. Learn more from Jonalu at 537-2349 or revjonalu@uufm.net, or just drop in!

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, FEBRUARY 7. 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 UUFM **BOOK DISCUSSION GROUP** gathers on Friday, FEBRUARY 23, at 10 am, at the Cattell residence. We'll discuss James McBride's *Miracle at St Anna*. Learn more from Lorrie Cross at 539-7883 or lmcross@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 (www.ifyc.org) 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/>.



CONVENERS' TRAINING

Have you longed to see Sunday mornings that offer ways of understanding beyond words of readings and reflections? Are you interested in sensory-rich worship with unforgettable messages? How about helping to create these in our congregation? Come to Conveners' Training on Sunday, FEBRUARY 4, after the service, to learn what Jonalu has learned from her workshop with worship visionary Marcia McFee and how we might apply it in our congregation. Snacks will be provided. Let us know if you'll need childcare during the training. Learn more from Jonalu at 537-2349 or revjonalu@uufm.net.

UU GENERAL ASSEMBLY 2018 IN KC!

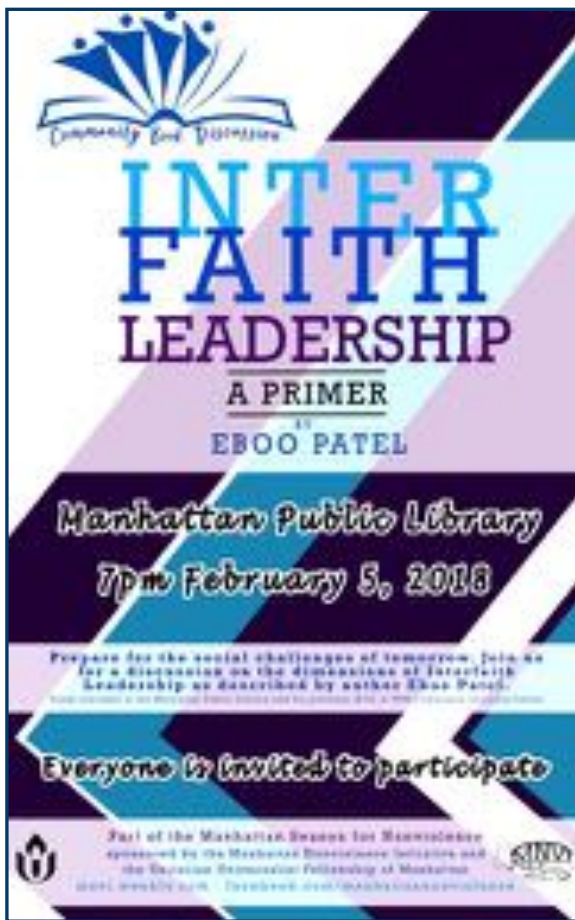
UU General Assembly is coming to Kansas City, JUNE 20 to 24. Here's a way you can register for GA for FREE! Commit to volunteer for 18 hours during the 5 days, your registration fee of \$395 will be waived and you can enjoy most of GA for free. We need 21 volunteers to welcome people to the convention center, answer questions about what to do and how to get around Kansas City, and help them find events in Bartle Hall. *Contact Bob Miller at treegnomebob@gmail.com to learn more.*

UUFM SINGERS

The UUFM Singers perform on FEBRUARY 4 and 18. Rehearsals begin at 9 am on both Sundays. We are delighted that former member Aaron Ford will be joining us February 18 to sing the solo in UU composer Jim's Scott's beautiful anthem, *The Oneness of Everything*. During Aaron's time with us, his mellow baritone contributions were always a treat. Learn more from choral director Michael Oldfather at 537-3738 or mou812@ksu.edu.

MEADOWLARK HILLS SERVICE

Join us on Wednesday, FEBRUARY 28, at 3 pm, in Meadowlark's Manhattan room. Learn more from Jonalu Johnstone at 537-2349 or revjonalu@uufm.net.



VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

Help us care for our members and friends by volunteering for occasional tasks with our **CARING COMMITTEE** ... writing cards, organizing food delivery, home and hospital visits--so many ways to help! Learn more from Susan at 537-2349 or office@uufm.net.

This month, Fellowship volunteers prepare and serve **HAPPY KITCHEN COMMUNITY BREAKFAST** on Friday, FEBRUARY 5 and 19, from 7 to 8:30 am, at St Paul's Episcopal Church. *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 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, FEBRUARY 11, Helping Hands contributions will be collected for the **PEGGY BOWMAN SECOND CHANCE FUND**, providing funding for abortions and other reproductive health care to low-income women in Kansas. Learn more at www.secondchancefund.net/.

On January 14, Fellowship members and friends contributed our morning collection to UFM's Project Excell. 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 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.

In my own worst seasons, I've come back from the colorless world of despair by forcing myself to look hard, for a long time, at a single glorious thing: a flame of red geranium outside my bedroom window. And then another: my daughter in a yellow dress. And another: the perfect outline of a full, dark sphere behind the crescent moon ... until I learned to be in love with my life again. Like a stroke victim retraining new parts of the brain to grasp lost skills, I have taught myself joy, over and over again.

... Barbara Kingsolver

CASA SPRING TRAINING

Train to become a Court Appointed Special Advocate (CASA), Monday evenings, February 26 thru April 23. CASA (Court-Appointed Special Advocates), begins with the belief that every child has the right to a safe, permanent home. Unlike attorneys and social workers, the CASA volunteer speaks exclusively for the child's best interests. Learn more about CASA at www.kansascasa.org/program/district-2-21. If you're interested in becoming an advocate for a child in the court system in Riley, Clay, or Pottawatomie Counties contact Jennifer at 537-6367 or janguiano@rileycountyks.gov.

THE MANHATTAN NONVIOLENCE INITIATIVE PRESENTS

SEASON FOR Nonviolence

2018 CALENDAR OF EVENTS
JANUARY 30 - APRIL 4

January

Community photo project • See www.uufm.net for weekly projects

We Are MHK 2018 1

3-4 pm • Manhattan Fire Station Lecture Hall • Free • All community members invited

MLK Jr Community Celebration 13

8-10 am • Food, friends for liberation • To register for the Day of Service, visit manhattanuufm.org

MLK Jr Prayer Breakfast & Day of Service 15

10-11:30 am • Beach Museum of Art • Free • All community members invited

I am Not Your Negro Film Screening 25

February

7-8 pm • Beach Museum of Art • Free • All community members invited

Community Book Discussion 5

Peaceful Communication Class 8

2 Weeks sessions until March 6, 7-8:30 pm • Register early at uufm.org

My Daily Constitution Exhibit 16

Open Feb. 16 • Beach Museum of Art • Free

Dolores Film Screening 22

March

5:30-7:30 pm • Beach Museum

La Mission Film Screening 1

5-8 pm • Manhattan Arts Center • \$10 • All proceeds donated locally

Empty Bowls Fundraiser: Bowl Making 6

7-9:30 pm • Purple Ribbon Theatre • Free • All community members invited

Stories of My Neighbor Theater 9

4-7 pm • Manhattan Arts Center • \$10 • All proceeds donated locally

Empty Bowls Fundraiser: Bowl Making 11

I Hear You 17 & I Found You 24

Community celebration • Photo booth and children's books-crafting • Free and open to all

We Are MHK 2018 31

April

12-2 pm • First Presbyterian Church, 805 Leavenworth • All proceeds donated locally

Empty Bowls: Soup Day 7

Nonviolence starts with me

mvi.webbly.com • facebook.com/manhattannonviolence

SUPPORTING YOUR FELLOWSHIP

Like everything else, church giving has changed. There are several ways you can financially give to the Fellowship. All are appreciated.

1. CHECKS - Old fashioned, yes, but also the cheapest for Fellowship.
2. CASH - If you put it in a marked envelope we can attribute it to your name.
3. AUTOMATIC BILL PAY - Members designate an amount from their account to be sent to the Fellowship on a regular basis.
4. AUTOMATIC MONTHLY WITHDRAWAL - from your account to our account. We set this up through VANCO. There is a small transaction fee paid by the Fellowship. Many members are using this now.
5. SQUARE - Kathleen Oldfather and Sandy Nelson have the ability to take your credit and debit card charges at church almost every Sunday. Visit the "Giving Desk" (administrator's desk) after the service. The Fellowship pays a small fee.
6. WEBSITE - We can receive credit and debit card donations on our website, www.uufm.net. So wherever you are, you can get on-line and make a contribution. The Fellowship pays a fee for these too. This is now through VANCO as well.

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.



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COFFEE AND GREETING TEAMS



- Feb 4: Emily Fraser and Rob Morrison,
and Emily Trube
- Feb 11: Cybil Perkins, Dave Lambert,
and Ana Franklin
- Feb 18: Gene Sievers, Mark Clarke, and
Justin Harms
- Feb 25: Shirley Hobrock, Livia Olsen, and
Larry Weaver

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

NEED A NEW NAME TAG ?

The Fellowship is currently having our
name tags printed at Manhattan Stamp
and Award. They are giving us a choice
of a pin or magnet on the back of the
badges. If any member would like a new
magnetic badge, email Shirley Hobrock at
shirleyjhobrock@hotmail.com, or sign up
on the sheet posted across from the coat
rack during the month of February. The
cost is \$6.

Administrator's Schedule

Thursday, February 1 - 1 to 6 pm
Saturday, February 3 - 2 to 5 pm
Monday, February 5 - 1 to 6 pm
Tuesday, February 6 - 1 to 6 pm
Thursday, February 8 - 1 to 6 pm
Saturday, February 10 - 2 to 5 pm
Monday, February 12 - 1 to 6 pm
Tuesday, February 13 - 1 to 6 pm
Thursday, February 15 - 1 to 6 pm
Saturday, February 17 - 2 to 5 pm
Monday, February 19 - 1 to 6 pm
Tuesday, February 20 - 1 to 6 pm
Thursday, February 22 - 1 to 6 pm
Saturday, February 24 - 2 to 5 pm
Monday, February 26 - 1 to 6 pm
Tuesday, February 27 - 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 Welcom-
ing 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 read-
ing 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 Fel-
lowship 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 announce-
ments 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 us at 537-2349
or office@uufm.net.

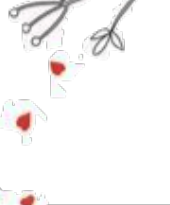
BUILDING USE AND SCHEDULING

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 sche-
dule 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 Thursday, **FEBRUARY 15**.
Submissions received later may not be included in the newsletter.
Please send your newsletter contributions to Susan Turner at 539-3272
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FEBRUARY 2018 at UUFM

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				1 1 TO 6 PM SUSAN TURNER 1 TO 5 PM JONALU JOHNSTONE 3:30 TO 4:30 PM SANDY NELSON at Fellowship, 537-2349	2 7:30 AM HAPPY KITCHEN breakfast St Paul's Episcopal Church 6:30 TO 9:30 PM PARENT NIGHT OUT!!! Sandy Nelson, 341-0135 7 PM BEER AND THEOLOGY Auntie Mae's Parlor	3 2 TO 5 PM SUSAN TURNER at Fellowship, 537-2349
4 9 AM UUFM SINGERS rehearse 10:45 AM SUNDAY SERVICE <i>How Do We Persevere?</i> 12:15 PM CONVENER TRAINING 4 PM MEDITATION CIRCLE Rev Jonalu, 537-2349	5 1 TO 6 PM SUSAN TURNER at Fellowship, 537-2349 7 PM COMMUNITY READ <i>The Interfaith Leader</i> Manhattan Public Library	6 12 TO 2:30 PM JONALU JOHNSTONE 1 TO 6 PM SUSAN TURNER 3:30 TO 4:30 PM SANDY NELSON at Fellowship, 537-2349	7 12 NOON MEN'S LUNCH 6 PM AWED POTLUCK Jessica Sievers, 532-8471	8 1 TO 6 PM SUSAN TURNER 3:30 TO 4:30 PM SANDY NELSON at Fellowship, 537-2349	9 2 TO 4 PM JONALU JOHNSTONE at Radina's Bakehouse (405) 627-3859 6 PM IMAGRASHCON Youth Conference <i>Shawnee Mission UU</i> Friday thru Sunday Sandy Nelson, 341-0135	10 2 TO 5 PM SUSAN TURNER at Fellowship, 537-2349
11 10:45 AM SUNDAY SERVICE <i>Spiritual Journeys</i> HELPING HANDS SUNDAY Peggy Bowman Fund 12:15 PM PATH TO MEMBERSHIP 4 PM MEDITATION CIRCLE	12 1 TO 6 PM SUSAN TURNER at Fellowship, 537-2349	13 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 7 PM BOARD MEETING Courtney Albin, 317-8157	14 10 AM TO 12 PM JONALU JOHNSTONE at Radina's Aggieville (405) 627-3859 12 NOON MEN'S LUNCH M Oldfather, 537-3738	15 1 TO 6 PM SUSAN TURNER 1 TO 5 PM JONALU JOHNSTONE 3:30 TO 4:30 PM SANDY NELSON at Fellowship, 537-2349 <i>last minute</i> NEWSLETTER DEADLINE	16 7:30 AM HAPPY KITCHEN breakfast St Paul's Episcopal Church Jennifer Bryan, 537-0333	17 2 TO 5 PM SUSAN TURNER at Fellowship, 537-2349
18 9 AM UUFM SINGERS rehearse 10:45 AM SUNDAY SERVICE <i>Following the Pulse of Life to Persevere</i> 12:15 PM PATH TO MEMBERSHIP 4 PM MEDITATION CIRCLE Rev Jonalu, 537-2349	19 1 TO 6 PM SUSAN TURNER at Fellowship, 537-2349	20 1 TO 6 PM SUSAN TURNER 1 TO 5 PM JONALU JOHNSTONE 3:30 TO 4:30 PM SANDY NELSON at Fellowship, 537-2349	21 12 NOON MEN'S LUNCH 1:30 TO 3:30 PM JONALU JOHNSTONE at Radina's Aggieville (405) 627-3859	22 1 TO 6 PM SUSAN TURNER 1 TO 5 PM JONALU JOHNSTONE 3:30 TO 4:30 PM SANDY NELSON at Fellowship, 537-2349	23 10 AM BOOK DISCUSSION Judy Cattell, 320-5470	24 2 TO 5 PM SUSAN TURNER at Fellowship, 537-2349
25 10:45 AM SUNDAY SERVICE <i>Perseverance of the Outsider</i> 12:15 PM PATH TO MEMBERSHIP 4 PM MEDITATION CIRCLE Rev Jonalu, 537-2349	26 1 TO 6 PM SUSAN TURNER at Fellowship, 537-2349 5:30 PM CASA <i>Spring Training begins</i> Jennifer, 537-6367	27 1 TO 6 PM SUSAN TURNER 1 TO 5 PM JONALU JOHNSTONE 3:30 TO 4:30 PM SANDY NELSON at Fellowship, 537-2349	28 12 NOON MEN'S LUNCH 12:30 TO 2:30 PM JONALU JOHNSTONE at Radina's on the Hill (405) 627-3859 3 PM MEADOWLARK SERVICE		