WHAT DOES IT MEAN TO BE

# A PEOPLE OF CREATIVITY?

Creativity is our ability to dream things up and make them happen. -- Peggy Taylor

Conjuring up new ideas and images is what creativity is all about. Using the building blocks of "what is," we--almost magically--make the "not yet" appear in our minds.

But what about ... "making them happen?" When we talk about creativity, that half of the equation often gets short shrift. We ... leave off the hard piece of making our imaginings real. And it's not just the hard part; it's the scary part too. You have to be brave to try new things and fail. Being creative and unique can cause the crowd to cheer and swoon; it can also lead to being laughed at and excluded from the group. Yes, there is joy, beauty and play in creativity, but there is also insecurity, loneliness and self-doubt.

Once that's in view, it's clear that we also need to talk about "co-creativity" this month ... Something as daring as creativity is dangerous if we try to do it alone. Indeed, where did we get the silly idea that artists and inventors are isolated, independent geniuses? We need to remind each other that there is no such thing as a "person of creativity," only "people of creativity." The Bible talks of the Holy Spirit appearing when "two or more are gathered." The same rule applies to the *creative* spirit! For instance, new ideas come from the clash of debate. New art emerges only after inspiration from those who've gone before. Better forms of community are built on the back of those who have toiled and sacrificed long before we put ourselves on the line. Simply put, there are no creators without companions.

... The secret to creative self-expression is staying connected to each other. Those sacred sources of inspira-

tion inside us--our imagination, unique voice and inner muses--are like wild animals; they are hungry to run free but are also shy and easily scared away. They want to come out and play but will only do so when coaxed and cared for by the inspiration and support of others. So, in the end, maybe the most important question this month is not just "What do you want to create?" but also, "Who are your partners?"



# MAY 2018 SUNDAY SERVICES

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

#### MAY 6 "CREATIVITY IS LIKE ... A METAPHOR"

Rev Jonalu Johnstone asks, "What is red like? We can tread familiar paths and find that red is like things that are red--strawberries or apples or blood; or things we associate with red--fire or passion or power. Or we can take a whole new view. Red is like microwaves or red is like a long stroll uphill. Where do new ideas come from and where do they take us? Creativity pushes us to places we have never seen before and reveals new truth. Individual words and images always have complex associations and nuances that both deepen and confound communication. To make sense of the unknown, we compare it to what is known. When we do so in new ways, we have creativity." Convener is Rob DeLong at 417 761-2488 or rkdelong@gmail.com.

# MAY 13 "NURTURING CREATIVITY"

Reverend Jonalu Johnstone leads this service. Many people claim to not be creative. Creativity, though, is not a particular talent but more a way of understanding and interpreting the world. As our children need to be nurtured by loving parents, so do traits like creativity need to be nurtured to grow into their best selves. As we celebrate Mother's Day, we will also create a work of art with flowers. Bring a flower and take a different one home. Convener is Mark Clarke at 341-7308 or ibyte64@gmail.com.

# MAY 20 "WISDOM FROM UU TEENS"

The 7 and Up Class will share thoughts and lessons learned from the UUA Virtue Ethics curriculum. Concepts to explore and challenge include: moderation, integrity, respect, fairness, responsibility, compassion, humility, generosity, courage, forgiveness, and loyalty. Music composed by Chris Banner and performed by a university tuba player will also be a special treat during this month of creativity! Convener is Molly McGaughey at 341-9960 or molly\_mcgaughey@hotmail.com.

#### MAY 27 "CREATIVE NONVIOLENCE"

Rev Jonalu Johnstone presents this service. As we remember those who have died in service to the nation, we also wonder whether we will always resort to war. Our nation struggles around how to balance diplomacy with self-defense. Even in our personal lives, we find it hard to know how to proceed when we come to a place of conflict. No one wants to give in and look weak. Nor do we want to escalate a problem so that violence becomes inevitable. Are there different ways to navigate our responses to challenges from others? Can we bring creativity to nonviolence? Convener is Dick Beeman at 539-9369 or rbeeman@cox.net.



# UUFM is a WELCOMING CONGREGATION

Learn more about the Welcoming Congregation initiative at <a href="https://www.uua.org/lgbtq/welcoming/program">www.uua.org/lgbtq/welcoming/program</a>

#### **UU FELLOWSHIP OF MANHATTAN**

PO Box 910 Manhattan, KS 66505 (785) 537-2349 office@uufm.net / **uufm.net** 

**REV JONALU JOHNSTONE**, minister revjonalu@uufm.net

COURTNEY ALBIN, Exec Board Chair (785) 317-8157 courtney.albin@gmail.com

**SANDY NELSON**, Director of Religious Ed DRE@uufm.net

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

INSIDE THIS ISSUE PAGE
Jonalu's Journal 3
Minister's Hours 3
UU World Travelers 4
Religious Ed / Parent Night Out 4
DRE Schedule / Memorial Picnic 4
Spring Work Day5
UUA General Assembly 5
Poor Peoples' Campaign 6
Helping Hands Sunday 6
Treasurer's Report 7
Words from Our Chair 7
Coffee and Greeting Teams 8
Admin Schedule / Subscriptions 8
May Calendar 9

#### COMING UP ...

Help maintain our building and grounds during **Spring Work Day** on Saturday, **May 19**. More on page 5 of this newsletter.

The Poor People's Campaign launches **40 Days of Action: A National Call FOR A MORAL REVIVAL**, in May. Learn more on page 5.

Our **MEADOWLARK HILLS SERVICE** meets on the fifth Wednesday this month--**MAY 30**. More on page 5.

# JONALU'S JOURNAL -- REV JONALU JOHNSTONE

The image I found for this month's theme of creativity shows a brick wall with graffiti proclaiming, "Together, We Create!" This is true in many aspects of our congregational life, perhaps nowhere more than in Sunday morning worship services. We create on Sunday mornings with our music and with the weaving of words. More, though, we create community and we create opportunities to find new ways to understand our world, our aspirations, our limitations, our callings, and so much more. Sunday morning services are meant to help us make meaning.

Our Sunday Services Committee has been exploring creativity in that context, to bring in more multi-sensory experience and to play with our expectations and yours. This is the context in which we recently held a feedback circle about worship.

We heard many things in that feedback circle, and I will report more of it in the blog on the website, but I want to focus in this column on reactions to changes in Joys and Concerns in our service. Both in that feedback circle and in other contexts, the Sunday Services Committee and I have been receiving both complaints and praise about moving to a system of written cards, rather than an open mic. Some people feel that hearing the person's voice feels more interactive and they want to be able to speak through their own voice, not someone else's. Others appreciate the organization that having cards offers, and believe that even shy people have a chance to share in this version of the rite.

We are not the first congregation to struggle around Joys and Concerns. It may be helpful to think in a broader way about the purpose of such sharing. Often, sharing of Joys and Concerns is seen as a small church practice that thickens bonds among the participants, though often to the exclusion of others. Visitors may get the impression that everyone knows everyone else and the particulars of their lives. They may feel left out, or they may be reluctant to be that close to people and feel threatened. I found particularly helpful these words from Wayne Arnason and Kathleen Rolenz, two long time UU ministers in their book *Worship That Works: Theory and Practice for Unitarian Universalists*:

Even in small congregations there is no way that all the pastoral issues and personal feelings of those present will be expressed through a Joys and Concerns ritual. It will always be a sampling from people who are the most motivated and expressive. The idea that it is a sampling makes it easier to understand the ritual as having a symbolic role in the liturgy, rather than a functional one. There are better ways for the congregation's pastoral ministry leaders to hear about something going on in a member's life than a public announcement in worship.

So, that raises another question. How do we learn about what care people need? And how do we extend it? In a small congregation, caring is organic and comes out of the group as people learn about one another's joys and sorrows. As a congregation grows, much more of the care people receive comes from small groups they are part of. The small group setting allows more time to address issues and concerns and offers the opportunity of appropriate intimacy that is more than a false promise. At the same time, one of the functions the minister serves is to provide a different kind of pastoral care than friends are able to do; part of that is trying to keep an awareness of who might be falling through the cracks.

With more than hundred members, we have let go of the illusion that we are all close friends and that Joys and Concerns provides an adequate way to know what caring needs to happen in the congregation. If we reconceive of Joys and Concerns as a symbolic rite what does that mean about how--and perhaps even if--we retain that in our Sunday morning services?

The conversation continues. Please share your perspective. The Sunday Services Committee (Katie Kingery-Page, Dick Beeman, Dave Lambert, Elke Lorenz, and Diane Barker) and I are listening.

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/

#### **REV JONALU JOHNSTONE'S SCHEDULE**

Tuesday, May 1 - 1 to 5 pm

Wednesday, May 2 - 10 am to 12 pm, Radina's Aggieville

Thursday, May 3 - 1 to 5 pm Tuesday, May 8 - 1 to 5 pm

Wednesday, May 9 - 10 am to 12 pm, Radina's Aggieville

Tuesday, May 15 - 1 to 5 pm Thursday, May 17 - 1 to 5 pm

Friday, May 18 - 3 to 5 pm, Radina's on the Hill

Tuesday, May 29 - 1 to 5 pm Thursday, May 31 - 1 to 5 pm

During office hours, contact Jonalu at the Fellowship at 537-2349 or revjonalu@uufm.net. During "out-of-office" hours drop into Radina's to a cup of coffee. Jonalu will be taking study leave May 21 to 25. During this time, she may be reached by email or phone, but is available to meet only for emergencies.

# **RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWS**

# CREATIVITY / SCHOOL YEAR ENDS / SUMMER BEGINS

In May, we celebrate creativity ... We often think of creativity as connected to the arts, and indeed, self-expression is an important role for creativity. In addition, creativity can be an important part of problem solving. Children solve problems through play. Young children are naturals at solving problems by being fluid, playful and creative. Older children begin to lose their willingness to try things and make mistakes, some say because of our educational system which emphasizes correct answers. We, in Unitarian Universalist religious education, value creativity as part of our theology. We do not know the answers to life's questions and prefer to keep it that way. Our theology values thinking, wondering, and skepticism as well as imagination, fluidity, and awe--all qualities of creativity.

May 6 and 13 Katie Kingery-Page and Lindsay Smith will encourage students to problem solve as they lead a creative session on outdoor printmaking. On May 20 the teens reflect on their semester of problem solving as they lead the regular program, touching on their curriculum from UUA, Virtue Ethics. Then, as the school year comes to an end we'll wrap up school-year classes with a creative gathering of all classes on May 27.



# MAY FAMILY FUN (FOR EVERYONE)

Plans are in the works for a Fellowship-wide **Memorial Day Picnic** on Saturday, May 26. Watch weekly emails, RE announcements, Facebook, and the UUFM List Serv for more details as they become available. Learn more from Sandy Nelson at 341-0135 or dre@uufm.net.

## **DRE'S SCHEDULE**

In May, 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

There will be <u>NO PARENT NIGHT OUT IN MAY</u>, while Sandy is out of town (visiting her new granddaughter!). Our next Parent Night Out (Kid Night In) gathers on Friday, JUNE 1. Learn more from Sandy Nelson at 341-0135 or DRE@uufm.net.

# **OUR WHOLE LIVES (OWL)**

Our Whole Lives is over for our 7th-9th grade group. Thank you for respecting their class time by not passing through the Jupiter room after Sunday services. If your family would like to participate in future OWL courses, please contact Sandy at 341-0135 or dre@uufm.net.

# **UU WORLD TRAVELERS !!!**

Once again, our RE students travel around the world, learning new skills along the way, without ever leaving Kansas. Every week a new host from the Fellowship takes them on a "tour" of a far-away place, new skill, imaginary or real-life destination. On tap so far is fishing, an overnight backyard camping trip, canoeing (an annual favorite), and possibly learning how to use a riding lawn mower (I see races in our future). Who could pass up any of that fun stuff?! Do you have a passion you'd like to share? There are still slots open and we'd love to have you join us for a morning. Do you cook? Have you been on a cruise? Do you love to quilt? knit? sing? Contact Sandy at 341-0135 or dre@uufm.net for details on the summer program.

#### STUDENT REGISTRATION

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

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, May 2. 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. 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 May 4, at 7 pm, at Auntie Mae's in Aggieville. Contact Chris Bailey at 341-8997 or meadbailey@gmail.com.

The UUFM **Book Discussion Group** meets Friday, May 18, at 10 am, at the Cattell residence. We'll be discussing *Seven Brief Lessons on Physics*, by Carlo Rovelli. Learn more from Judy Cattell at 320-5470 or catlark1@gmail.com, or Lorrie Cross at 539-7883 or Imcross@kansas.net.



## **SPRING WORK DAY**

Please join us at the Fellowship on Saturday, MAY 19, beginning at 9 am, for our annual Spring Work Day. It's time to get together to clean and maintain our Fellowship building and grounds. This is a one-day activity, so come out to enjoy the season, and that satisfying feeling of a job well done. *At 12 noon*,

we'll break for a potluck lunch! Even if you aren't able to work that morning, bring a dish to share and join us for a good meal, and great company!

Learn more from Grounds chair Sylvia Beeman at 539-9369 or sbeewoman@hotmail.com, or Facilities chair Mark Mayfield at 776-6495 or ferguson.mayfield@gmail.com.



## **POOR PEOPLES' CAMPAIGN**

The Poor People's Campaign launches its **40 Days of Action: A National Call for a Moral Revival** this month. From May 13 to June 22, direct actions in 38 state capitals and the District of Columbia will bear witness to the challenges of poverty, racism, militarism, and environmental devastation in our country. The campaign has released an audit of American society that you can find at <a href="https://www.poorpeoplescampaign.org/index.php/audit/">www.poorpeoplescampaign.org/index.php/audit/</a>. Each week in our Sunday services during that time, we will hear a testimony by someone affected by the issues the Poor People's Campaign is addressing. Watch Facebook and the UUFM list serve for more information. If you want to get directly involved, talk to Jonalu Johnstone, at 341-2349 or revjonalu@uufm.net.

#### TRY CHALICE CIRCLES

Chalice Circle experiences are life enriching! The background materials provided always address the theme in ways I never would have thought about. The questions and practices invite us to live our lives more consciously and purposefully. Sharing with group members each month helps to form a bond that is very special. Far from being a typical small group experience, Chalice Circle moves us from analyzing other people's ideas to energizing our own daily living. Chalice Circle doesn't ask, "What do you think?" It asks, "How do you want to live?" I look forward to our meeting every month! #enriching #stimulating #enjoyable #challenging #fun

These are Jane Pelletier's words about Chalice Circles. If you'd like to join one of the circles, talk to a facilitator--Jane, Jessica Sievers, Colleen Riley, Susan Adamchak or Rev Jonalu. Contact Jonalu at 537-2349 or revjonalu@uufm.net.

# **UU GENERAL ASSEMBLY 2018 IN KC!**

The UUA General Assembly is coming to Kansas City, June 20 to 24. This is an unparalleled opportunity to connect with UUs from around the country. This year's theme is *All Are Called*. The call to witness and act for justice in our society and in the world is clear. So, too, is the call to examine our structures and practices, dismantling and transforming those which fail to recognize the full humanity of all people and to honor the interdependent web of life. *Registration and housing reservations are open, www.uua.org/ga.* 

## MEADOWLARK HILLS SERVICE

Join us on Wednesday, MAY 30, at 3 pm, in Meadowlark's Manhattan room. Learn more from Jonalu Johnstone at 537-2349 or revjonalu@uufm.net.

#### **UUFM SINGERS**

The UUFM Singers rehearse Leonard Cohen's *Hallelujah* on Sunday, MAY 6, at 9 am. Learn about musical opportunities at the Fellowship from Michael Oldfather at 537-3738 or mou812@ksu.edu.

## **TOILETRIES COLLECTION**

During March and April, UUFM collected toiletries and personal care products for residents of The Crisis Center and the Manhattan Emergency Shelter (MESI). Several full boxes of products were gathered and delivered. We ask Fellowship members and friends to continue collecting and saving these small items, which make life a little better for those who need them. Please be sure to collect personal or travel size containers, to fit in the storage areas provided for residents. Some particularly appreciated products included disposable diapers, and men's personal care products. THANK YOU all for your generosity!

#### **UUFM VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES**

Members will have received a pledge packet at our Annual Meeting, or will receive the packet in the mail. In the packet is a "service form" allowing members to choose small jobs they might be willing to help out with. We encourage everyone to fill out your forms, and return them to any Board member, or mail them to the Fellowship in the postage paid envelope provided. Friends who did not receive a packet may request a service form from Susan Turner at 537-2349 or office@uufm.net.

This month, Fellowship volunteers prepare and serve **Happy Kitchen community BREAKFAST** on Friday, May 11 and 25, 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, May 13, Helping Hands contributions will be collected for the **Boys and Girls Club of Manhattan**, whose mission is to enable young people to reach their full potential as productive, caring, responsible citizens. Learn more at www.bgclubmanhattan.com/.

On April 8, Fellowship members and friends contributed our morning collection to The Fairy Godmother's Fund. *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@sbcqlobal.net.

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



40 Days of Action: A National Call for a Moral Revival

Join us for

# **Direct Action Training**

on Tuesday, May 8,

from 6:30 to 7:45 pm, in the UUFM Sanctuary.

This training includes specific information regarding participation in direct actions that will be occurring at the state capitol, May 14 to June 18.

We'll also review updated legal information to help bring clarity to the optional civil disobedience element.

RSVP is required. Please sign up at:

docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSdZ7qY4PxVqCIv78GCM2bM77qmxG ayGZrLhOtXbh\_0FawHjzQ/viewform?usp=sf\_link

Bring friends or community members who are interested in this work even if they missed the training on April 14. We'll have an opportunity for new people to stay after to catch everyone up to speed.

If you want to get directly involved, talk to Jonalu Johnstone at 537-2349 or <a href="mailto:revjonalu@uufm.net">revjonalu@uufm.net</a>.

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

1	1	- 3,803	- 0 -	Transfer
				Net after
ŀ	I	20,000	34,160	Transfer of Savings
88.33%	76%	134,841	176,660	Expenses
88.33%	77%	\$111,038	\$143,500	Income
% of Ye	% of Budget % of Year	YTD	Budget	
			2018/18	

# UU World Travelers

TREASURER

S REPORT - 1ST 10 MONTHS FY 2018/18 (JUNE THRU MARCH)

Summer is coming, and beginning in June, every week a new host from the Fellowship

will take students on a "tour" of a far-away place, new skill, imaginary or real-life destination. Our UUFM World Travelers would love to visit with you on a Sunday morning and learn all about one of your passions. Do you enjoy bird watching? Do you love to cook? Have you been on a cruise? Share your passion with our children! Talk to Sandy Nelson at 341-0135 or dre@uufm.net.

## **WORDS FROM OUR CHAIR**

Dear Members and Friends,

Thank you to all that were able to make it to the Annual Meeting last Sunday! It is always invigorating to experience the love and support that this congregation has for our fellowship!

For those that were not able to be at the meeting, I wanted to send a note with the highlights. It was a full meeting with updates on strategic planning considerations, an overview of the two-services survey results, and information on the re-organization of the fellowship leadership structure. We also approved next year's budget and the presented slate for the Board. We ended the meeting by kicking off the stewardship campaign for next fiscal year.

Some members received their pledge packets at the meeting, the rest of the packets were mailed out. If you have not received it, you will shortly. The packet contains a letter from Jonalu and myself, a stewardship pledge form, an authorization form for auto draft, an individualized pledge card with proposed pledging amounts, and service forms. Please use the pledge form to let us know how you would like to share your time, talent and treasure over the next year. If you would like to sign up to have your pledge automatically drafted from your bank account or change the amount that you are already having drafted, please use the authorization form provided. For questions on the pledge and authorization forms, please contact Kathleen Oldfather at kjoldfather@gmail.com.

The service forms are part of the re-organization of our leadership structure. The committee structure that we have used for some time now has not been working as well lately and the board has been looking for new ways to organize how all the vital tasks get done at the fellowship. We ask that each individual member and friend of the fellowship fill out a service form and let us know how they would like to serve the fellowship. Be sure to include your name and preferred contact info, then select any of the opportunities that interest you. Key players for this new structure are the four facilitators listed in each section. Facilitators will be in charge of delegating tasks to the appropriate volunteers when the need arises. Facilitators will serve for one year terms. For more information on this new venture, please contact Jessica Sievers at sieversi@gmail.com.

Please use the enclosed return envelops to send the forms back, or return them in person to one of the board members.

It has been a privilege to serve the fellowship as Board Chair this year. Thank you for all your kind words, never-ending support, and hard-work and dedication to the fellowship that made my time as chair run so smoothly!

With Love and Appreciation,

(Courtney Albin), Board Chair

# COFFEE AND GREETING TEAMS



- May 6: Judy Exdell, Diane Barker, and Gail Ragan
- May 13: Sylvia and Dick Beeman, and Pat and Ken Embers
- May 20: Emily Trube, Emily Fraser, Rob Morrison, and Jane Houghton
- May 27: Cybil Perkins, Dave Lambert, Ana Franklin and Patti Johnson

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 name tags printed. If any member would like a new magnetic badge, email Shirley Hobrock at shirleyjhobrock@hotmail.com. The cost is \$5.50.

#### Administrator's Schedule

Tuesday, May 1 -1 to 6 pm Thursday, May 1 to 6 pm 3 -Saturday, May 5 -2 to 5 pm Monday, May 7 -1 to 6 pm Tuesday, May 8 -1 to 6 pm Thursday, May 10 -1 to 6 pm Saturday, May 12 -2 to 5 pm Monday, May 14 -1 to 6 pm Tuesday, May 15 -1 to 6 pm Thursday, May 17 -1 to 6 pm Saturday, May 19 -2 to 5 pm Monday, May 21 -1 to 6 pm Tuesday, May 22 -1 to 6 pm Thursday, May 24 -1 to 6 pm Saturday, May 26 -2 to 5 pm Tuesday, May 29 -1 to 6 pm Thursday, May 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 <a href="www.uuworld.org">www.uuworld.org</a>.

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 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 schedule your activity, or for more information, contact Sue at 537-2349 or office@uufm.net.

# **JUNE NEWSLETTER DEADLINE**

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

# MAY 2018 at UUFM

Sunday

Monday

Tuesday Wednesday Thursday

**Friday** 

Saturday

1 TO 5 PM JONALU JOHNSTONE 1 TO 6 PM SUSAN TURNER 3:30 TO 4:30 PM SANDY NELSON at Fellowship, 537-2349

10 AM TO 12 J JOHNSTONE at Radina's Aggieville **12** NOON MEN'S LUNCH

6 PM AWED POTLUCK Courtney Albin, 317-8157

1 TO 5 PM JONALU JOHNSTONE 1 TO 6 PM **SUSAN TURNER** 3:30 TO 4:30 PM SANDY NELSON at Fellowship, 537-2349

7 PM BEER AND THEOLOGY Auntie Mae's Parlor

5 1 PM SAM LACY MEMORIAL SERVICE 2 TO 5 PM **SUSAN TURNER** at

Fellowship, 537-2349

9 AM SINGERS rehearse 10:45 AM SUNDAY SERVICE Creativity is Like ...

A Metaphor

1 TO 6 PM SUSAN TURNER at Fellowship, 537-2349

TUESDAY, MAY 8 6:45 PM

**DIRECT ACTION TRAINING UUFM Sanctuary** 

1 TO 6 PM S TURNER 1 TO 5 PM J JOHNSTONE 3:30 TO 4:30 PM SANDY NELSON at Fellowship, 537-2349

**7 PM BOARD MEETING** Courtney Albin, 317-8157

10 AM TO 12 PM JONALU JOHNSTONE at Radina's Aggieville (405) 627-3859

> **12** NOON MEN'S LUNCH Jupiter room

10

1 TO 6 PM SUSAN TURNER 3:30 TO 4:30 PM SANDY NELSON at Fellowship, 537-2349

**7:30** AM HAPPY KITCHEN breakfast St Paul's Episcopal Church

2 TO 5 PM SUSAN TURNER at Fellowship, 537-2349

13

10:45 AM SUNDAY SERVICE Nurturing Creativity

HELPING HANDS SUNDAY Boys and Girls Club

1 TO 6 PM **SUSAN TURNER** at Fellowship, 537-2349

AUGUST 15 LAST MINUTE **NEWSLETTER DEADLINE** 

1 TO 5 PM JONALU JOHNSTONE 1 TO 6 PM **SUSAN TURNER** 3:30 TO 4:30 PM **SANDY NELSON** at Fellowship, 537-2349 16

**12** NOON MEN'S LUNCH Jupiter room

JONALU JOHNSTONE 1 TO 6 PM **SUSAN TURNER** 3:30 TO 4:30 PM **SANDY NELSON** at Fellowship, 537-2349 18

10 AM BOOK DISCUSSION Judy Cattell, 320-5470 3 TO 5 PM

JONALU JOHNSTONE at Radina's on the Hill (405) 627-3859

19

9 AM SPRING WORK DAY 12 noon Potluck Lunch 2 TO 5 PM

SUSAN TURNER at Fellowship, 537-2349

20

10:45 AM SUNDAY SERVICE Inter-Generational Service

1 TO 6 PM **SUSAN TURNER** at Fellowship, 537-2349

1 TO 6 PM **SUSAN TURNER** 3:30 TO 4:30 PM SANDY NELSON at Fellowship, 537-2349 23

**12** NOON MEN'S LUNCH Jupiter room

1 TO 6 PM **SUSAN TURNER** 3:30 TO 4:30 PM SANDY NELSON at Fellowship, 537-2349

**5** 7:30 AM HAPPY KITCHEN breakfast St Paul's Episcopal Church

**MEMORIAL DAY PICNIC** watch for details Sandy Nelson, 341-0135

2 TO 5 PM SUSAN TURNER at Fellowship, 537-2349

**27** 

10:45 AM SUNDAY SERVICE Creative Nonviolence

28

**29** <sub>1 TO 5 PM</sub> **JONALU JOHNSTONE** 1 TO 6 PM **SUSAN TURNER** 3:30 TO 4:30 PM SANDY NELSON at Fellowship, 537-2349 30

**12** NOON MEN'S LUNCH

3 PM MEADOWLARK SERVICE

1 TO 5 PM JONALU JOHNSTONE 1 TO 6 PM **SUSAN TURNER** 3:30 TO 4:30 PM SANDY NELSON at Fellowship, 537-2349



