

### WHAT DOES IT MEAN TO BE

## A PEOPLE OF BLESSING?

A Soul Matters facilitator once shared, "I guess after plan A fails, I need to remember there's still a whole alphabet out there."

It's not just our friend who needs help remembering that there's a whole alphabet out there; it's all of us. We all get stuck in wanting things a certain way. We all, at times, focus so intently on the few things going wrong that we completely miss the dozens of things going right. Tunnel vision too often takes over our days.

For Unitarian Universalists, this is the central tragedy of the human condition. We respect those who frame the human problem as sin or twisted wills, but it's nearsightedness that our religion is most worried about. Which is also why blessings are so central to our faith. They are, for us, a way of widening our view.

Unlike some of our brother and sister religions, we don't *say* a lot of blessings. Instead we *point* to them. For us, blessings are not something we give to each other as much as they involve us helping each other notice all that's *already been given* to us. And it's not just about widening our view to see the gifts themselves; it's about widening our understanding of life. Pointing to blessings repairs our relationship with life, allowing us to see it as

generous not threatening, full of grace-filled surprises not dominated by a cold indifference.

And there's a lot at stake when it comes to this wider view. When the world seems stingy to us, we are stingy to others. Those who feel blessed have little trouble passing blessings on. Our tradition takes this calculus seriously. As UU minister, Rev Don Wheat, puts it "The religious person is a grateful person, and the grateful person is the generous person." In short, by noticing our blessings, we become a blessing.

So, this month the question in front of all of us is not simply "Do you notice the blessings surrounding you?" It's also, "How are the blessings in your life leading you to bless others?" That "whole alphabet" out there doesn't just happen on its own; we add to it. Blessings don't just fill us up; they cause us to overflow. Life spills into us and we spill into others. In other words, blessings don't just enrich us; they connect us. And maybe that is the greatest blessing of all.



# **JUNE 2018 SUNDAY SERVICES**

Our theme in June explores
"What does it mean to be a people of **Blessing?**"

#### JUNE 3 "JOURNEY TO BLESSING"

A number of Fellowship members and friends share their experiences with blessings. Convener for this service is Larry Weaver at 539-3176 or lweaver@phys.ksu.edu.

### JUNE 10 "JUST TO BE IS A BLESSING -- JUST TO LIVE IS HOLY"

Reverend Jonalu Johnstone leads this service. The title is taken from a quotation by Rabbi Abraham Joshua Hessel. UU's have different experiences around the word "blessing." What if we could recognize blessings without having to know where they come from? What if we can give blessings ourselves freely and without reservation? Convener is Kim Belanger at 317-9695 or kgardenbelanger@yahoo.com.

#### JUNE 17 "BEATITUDES FOR CONTEMPORARY CULTURE"

Rev Jonalu Johnstone shares some reflections. Jesus famously set out a series of beatitudes, or blessings, "Blessed are the poor in spirit," "Blessed are they that mourn," and so on. Who would get those blessings in twenty-first century America? Who should get those blessings in twenty-first century America? Convener is Larry Weaver at 539-3176 or lweaver@phys.ksu.edu.

### June 24 "Togethering"

Rev Christian Watkins, Campus Minister at Ecumenical Campus Ministries, explores several questions with us. "What does it mean to build community in 2018? Does it matter? Why doesn't it matter? As Christian's first anniversary at ECM approaches, she will be able to share what she has learned about ecumenical community building at KSU. Her bag of tricks will likely contain methods which could be valuable as we wrestle with our own challenges of building meaningful and rewarding community building at UUFM." Convener is Michael Oldfather at 537-3738 or mou812@ksu.edu.



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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**

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#### COMING UP ...

The UUA **GENERAL ASSEMBLY** gathers **JUNE 20** thru **24**, in Kansas City. Registration remains open thru June 20. Learn more on page 5.

Review Rev Jonalu Johnstone's **ANNUAL REPORT ON DEVELOPMENTAL MINISTRY.** More on page 7.

Volunteers are needed to set up and staff the UUFM table at **JUNETEENTH**, on Saturday, **JUNE 16**. Learn more on page 6.

# JONALU'S JOURNAL -- REV JONALU JOHNSTONE

I have been asked how it felt to participate in the Poor People's Campaign direct action. Many of you know that the Poor People's Campaign is a reawakening of a campaign that Martin Luther King, Jr, was planning at the time of his assassination. The effort, led by Rev Dr William Barber and Rev Dr Liz Theoharris, seeks to remind our people and our government that many people in our country continue to suffer under poverty, racism, militarism, and environmental devastation. We can only end these oppressive practices through a moral call to action. Rev Barber speaks about a fusion coalition, a group that comes from various racial, religious, and economic backgrounds that unites around belief in the power of love and the need for compassion to



fuel our policies, particularly towards people who are poor, but including all who are marginalized by race, sexual orientation, gender, or other status.

The first week of the **40 DAYS OF ACTION**, I led one column of people willing to

be arrested from the state capitol onto Topeka Avenue, where the group of about thirty people blocked an intersection. I served as a marshal, helping people know where they should be to either facilitate or avoid arrest, coordinating and watching.

How did it feel? Adrenaline rushed through my body, heightening my awareness. I went in and out of the chants and songs, depending on what was happening and where my attention was needed. There was an odd combination of power--who knew it was so easy to shut down an intersection?--and fear.

The small group blocking the intersection was more white than the crowd of 200 who took part in the rally and stood on the sidelines of the action. People with the most privilege need to be prepared to make more sacrifices for change

to come. At the same time, the voices of those who are most affected have to be at the center of events, as they were in the rally and press conference.

Civil disobedience is often used to demand a particular course of action. In this case, though there is a long



list of demands (you can review the full list at <a href="https://www.poorpeoplescampaign.org/demands/">www.poorpeoplescampaign.org/demands/</a>), the goals are more about organizing a movement and getting the word out about how people are suffering.

About the original Poor People's Campaign, Dr King said:

I choose to identify with the underprivileged. I choose to identify with the poor. I choose to give my life for the hungry. I choose to give my life for those who have been left out.

Too often in our political climate today, people identify with the rich, embracing a "need" for tax cuts or concern about supporting the business climate. Too few of us are willing instead to consider how policies and laws affect "the least of these," those whose needs are greatest and most often go unmet.

I try to make the commitment that Dr King did to those who are poor. If you want to join the campaign, let me know. Events continue into June.

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**

Friday, June 1 - 10 am to 12 pm, Radina's Bakehouse

Wednesday, June 6 - 10 am to 12 pm, Radina's Aggieville

Thursday, June 7 - 1 to 5 pm Tuesday, June 12 - 1 to 5 pm

Wednesday, June 13 - 2 to 4 pm, Radina's Aggieville

Thursday, June 14 - 1 to 5 pm Tuesday, June 26 - 1 to 5 pm

Wednesday, June 27 - 12:30 to 2:30 pm, Radina's on the Hill

Thursday, June 28 - 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 attending the UUA General Assembly in Kansas City, June 19 thru 24. Learn more about GA on page 5 of this newsletter.

# **RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWS**

Many thanks to EVERYONE for making the 2017-2018 RE program so successful. My thanks go out once again to all our volunteers and mentors.

SCHOOL YEAR TEACHERS: Molly McGaughey (7-12 grade and teen OWL); Scott Tanona, Austin Roberts, Kim Martinson, Eli Martinson (4-6 grade); Michelle Hill (1-3 grade); Sandy Nelson (Pre K-Kindergarten); and then there were those who led multiple grades: Katherine Colburn, Carolyn Ferguson, Katie Kingery-Page, Lindsay Smith, Dan and Kathy Swenson. Ashley Mitchell was our primary nursery attendant, but she was helped by Kathleen Oldfather, Ellen Meyer, Carrie and Austin Roberts, Katherine Colburn, Jen Campbell, Sylvia Beeman, and Elke Lorenz. Christopher Renner and Sandy Nelson led OWL K-1 with occasional help from Courtney Albin, and Jen Campbell and Molly McGaughey led OWL 7-9 with occasional help from Matt Campbell and Tai Amri Spann-Wilson (from First Congregational Church). You'll notice Katherine's name popped up a few times. I'll admit that I probably played the "I'm your mother" card a little too often when looking for someone to cover a class, but she was always willing and did such a good job. I'll miss her dearly next year.

Summer World Traveler Tour Guides for 2017: Billy Mitchell (disc golf), Mark Clarke (International Space Station), Dan Swenson and Larry Weaver (canoeing), Lily Colburn (New York), Susan Adamchak (maps), Molly & Nick McGaughey (St Louis), Katherine Colburn (backpacking), Katie Kingery-Page (Italy), Jen Campbell (Wooly Bee Farm), Enell Foerster (essential oils), Jonalu Johnstone (England). An extra thank you goes to the entire fellowship for donating to food drives and sock drives, coming to family fun events like Pride and potlucks, and bringing kids to, or helping at, Parent Night Out/Kid Night In. Your participation in the program is what makes everything worthwhile.

A special thanks to Larry Weaver who, one Sunday, thought I wasn't in attendance and automatically exited with the kids and put together an entire lesson plan in the time it took to walk down the hallway. To be honest, I think he was relieved to see me in the classroom once he arrived, but I get tears in my eyes even now as I type and think about how dedicated he is to the RE program.

#### **DRE'S SCHEDULE**

In June, Sandy 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.

# **WEAR ORANGE DAY**

Wear Orange Day will brighten the skies above cities across America on the weekend of JUNE 2 to commemorate the victims of gun violence. From <a href="http://wearorange.org">http://wearorange.org</a>:

"Orange is the color that Hadlya Pendleton's friends wore in her honor when she was shot and killed in Chicago at the age of fifteen, just one week after she performed at President Obama's 2nd inaugural parade in 2013. After her death, they asked us to stand up, speak out, and WEAR ORANGE to raise awareness about gun violence."

The Manhattan Area "Moms Demand Action" intends to provide Manhattan youth a platform to stand up, speak out, and wear orange on Saturday, JUNE 2, from 8 to 9 pm, at the Riley County courthouse plaza. For details about how you can participate, see the RE bulletin board.

## PARENT NIGHT OUT / KID NIGHT IN

Our next Parent Night Out (Kid Night In) gathers on Friday, June 1, 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, May 31. Learn more from Sandy Nelson at 341-0135 or DRE@uufm.net.

## **UU WORLD TRAVELERS !!!**

Our summer program begins in June which means all students meet together and guest "tour guides" from the congregation lead students on all kinds of adventures. We'll make our own tie-dyed t shirts, canoe at Pillsbury Crossing, go fishing, visit Washington, DC, and more! There's still space to sign up as a tour guide. Contact Sandy (341-0135 or dre@uufm.net) ASAP if you have an idea on a "trip" to take. Contact Sandy at 341-0135 or dre@uufm.net for details on the summer program.

Don't miss **BEER AND THEOLOGY**, on the first Friday of every month. This month, we meet on June 1, at 7 pm, at Auntie Mae's in Aggieville. Contact Chris Bailey at 341-8997 or meadbailey@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.

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, June 6. Following dinner at 6 pm, those attending are invited to join committee meetings of interest. Learn more from Mark Mayfield at 776-6495 or ferguson.mayfield@gmail.com.

The UUFM **Book Discussion Group** meets Friday, June 29, at 10 am, at the Cattell residence. We'll be discussing *The Brief Wondrous Life of Oscar Wao*, by Junot Diaz. Learn more from Diane Barker at 539-9163 or dogsbodyd@yahoo.com, or Lorrie Cross at 539-7883 or Imcross@kansas.net.



# **UUA GENERAL ASSEMBLY**

June 20 - 24, in Kansas City

General Assembly (<u>www.uua.org/ga</u>), the Unitarian Universalist Association's annual convention, will take place in Kansas City's Bartle Hall, JUNE 20 to 24.

If you've primarily experienced Unitarian Universalism in only a congregational setting, then you're in for a treat. General Assembly offers an opportunity to mingle with 3,000 other UUs, experience daily worship, attend workshops, and buy UU stuff. The UUA Bookstore (<a href="www.uuabookstore.org">www.uuabookstore.org</a>) will be there, as well as every UU-affiliated social justice organization you can think of. GA is a chance to experience the full breadth and depth of our faith.

You can still register right up to the day GA starts. Adult registration is \$450. Youth grades 9 to 12 are \$260. There is no charge for children who have not yet entered high school, as long as they are under adult supervision. It's also possible to register (<a href="www.uua.org/ga/registration">www.uua.org/ga/registration</a>) for ONE DAY for \$170/adult and \$110/youth. A one-day registration actually allows attendance for two days--Wednesday and Thursday, or Saturday and Sunday. Don't want to pay anything? The Sunday morning worship is free and you can also visit the Exhibition Hall on Sunday.

To give someone a blessing is the most significant affirmation we can offer. It is more than a word of praise or appreciation; it is more than pointing out someone's talents or good deeds; it is more than putting someone in the light. To give a blessing is to affirm, to say "yes" to a person's Belovedness.

... Henri J M Nouwen

# **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 www.poorpeoplescampaign.org/index.php /audit/. 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 537-2349 or revjonalu@uufm.net.

#### MEADOWLARK HILLS SERVICE

Join us on Wednesday, JUNE 27, 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 perform once or twice a month, throughout the Fellowship year. Learn more about all musical opportunities at the Fellowship from Music Director Renea Reasoner at 785 209-2886 or reneareasoner@gmail.com.

# JUNETEENTH 2018

JUNETEENTH VOLUNTEERS NEEDED! Help spread the word about our UUFM community at Juneteenth, on Saturday, JUNE 16. We need volunteers to help set up our tent and table, staff it between 10 am and 3 or 4 pm, then return everything to UUFM. The more volunteers we get, the shorter span of time you'll need to stay at the table and the more time everyone will have to explore the festivities. Please email or call Marisa Larson if you can help out, at marisa.larson@gmail.com or 240 305-0895.

#### **UUFM VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES**

Members will have received a pledge packet at our Annual Meeting, or in the mail in early May. In the packet is a "service sheet" 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 self-addressed envelope provided. Friends who did not receive a pledge packet in the mail may request a service sheet from Susan Turner at 537-2349 or office@uufm.net.

This month, Fellowship volunteers prepare and serve **Happy Kitchen community BREAKFAST** on Friday, June 1 and 15, 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, June 10, Helping Hands contributions will be collected for **Shepherd's Crossing**, providing assistance with rent, utilities, and prescriptions for low-income individuals and families in the Manhattan/Riley County area. Learn more at www.shepherdscrossing.info/.

On May 13, Fellowship members and friends contributed our morning collection to the Boys and Girls Club of Manhattan. *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). Sourced directly from farmer cooperatives, following the standards and principles of fair trade on 100 percent of its products.



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Dear Members and Friends,

I'd like to thank Eli Martinson for stepping up to be Treasurer. It involves some heavy lifting at this time in our Fellowship's life. I will assist him to make a smooth transition. Sandy Nelson continues to do much of the weekly bookkeeping. Susan Turner now processes the payroll checks. I'd like to thank the Finance Committee: Scott Tanona, Nathan Albin, Cybil Perkins, Mark Mayfield, and Chris Bailey. They helped guide the big decisions and often were my sounding board.

We are in the middle of our pledge drive for the June 1, 2018-May 31, 2019 fiscal year. As of May 20, we had received 31 pledges totaling almost \$77,000. We hope to receive about 30 more pledges. All pledges are important to the overall goal. We are aiming for \$135,000 this year. In early June, the Pledge Committee, will begin contacting those who we haven't heard from yet. I urge you to renew your commitment now. Last January we voted to renew Rev Jonalu Johnstone's contract for three more years. The room was packed and the vote unanimous. Please show your support now like you did that day.

# Kathleen Oldfather

THANK YOU, Kathleen, for your skilled and faithful service to the Fellowship as Treasurer and in all financial matters over the years. To learn more about Fellowship finances, make your pledge, or set up a convenient automatic payment option, please contact Fellowship Treasurer Eli Martinson at 320-3181 or elias.martinson@gmail.com.

On Sunday, June 3,
we set sail on our summer
UU World Travelers adventures

with a bon voyage party during class. We'll decorate cupcakes and tie-dye T-shirts!

Please tell us your child's T-shirt size by going to: https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/u/1/d/1AqPHT3b8ndkFetOHo\_9HiZHaLneWAvt55UtrSeldrS1/edit?ouid=104140343549352943897

&usp=sheets home&ths=true or email Sandy at dre@uufm.net.

On Sunday, June 10, we plan to canoe at Pillsbury Crossing, so watch for RE announcements with details, or learn more from Sandy at dre@uufm.net.

#### **DEVELOPMENTAL MINISTER ANNUAL REPORT**

May 2018 Rev Jonalu Johnstone

We have committed to another three years of ministry together. I appreciate the confidence the congregation has shown in my leadership. We have made significant changes in how we approach Sunday morning services and how we relate to the community. We have explored options about our building and location. We are reorganizing how we systematize our tasks. We have made real progress.

However, we are not showing the growth that we need to sustain full-time ministry. In fact, our membership numbers are flat, and our attendance numbers are declining. Some of this is the context we are in. Our culture places declining emphasis on religious community. Churches, in general, including even UU's, struggle with this, even though the "nones" seem to be perfect perspective UU's. The challenge is to figure out what changes need to happen in our UU congregations to reach and embrace these prospects. At the same time, the Manhattan area is experiencing a pinch with declining enrollments at KSU creating anxiety and uncertainty for many of our members and friends. So, the context is challenging. If we are going to achieve substantial growth, we will need to take some new tack, whether that be relocation, adding a location in town, concerted publicity work, or some other major effort. Part of our challenge is that going on as we have is comfortable; however, it is not ultimately sustainable.

Growth, of course, is never for the sake of growth alone. We want to grow in order to increase the reach of Unitarian Universalist values and principles in our community and beyond ...

For a copy of Rev Jonalu Johnstone's full report, please contact Susan Turner at 539-3272 or office@uufm.net.

### PICNIC TABLE REPAIR

Former Facilities chair and current Board Chair-elect Mark Mayfield participated with other Fellowship members and friends in our recent Spring Work Day on May 19. Many cleaning and maintenance chores were completed and we are grateful for everyone's hard work and effort! We need a volunteer or two to help complete one more project. There are white boards next to the shed behind the Fellowship. These belong to a picnic table Mark has been repairing, and need to be painted. There are supplies in the shed, including a gallon of "barn paint," brushes and gloves. If you have an afternoon to do a little painting, contact Mark at 776-6495 or ferguson.mayfield@gmail.com to learn more.

# COFFEE AND GREETING TEAMS



- June 3: Gene Sievers, Mark Clarke, and Justin Harms
- June 10: Shirley Hobrock, Livia Olsen, Larry Weaver, and Taryn Cipra
- June 17: Elke Lorenz, Fred Reynolds, Les and Miki Loschky, Kim Martinson
- June 24: Carrie and Austin Roberts, and Colleen Riley and Kay Ediger

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

Saturday, June 2 -2 to 5 pm Monday, June 1 to 6 pm Tuesday, June 1 to 6 pm Thursday, June 1 to 6 pm Saturday, June 9 -2 to 5 pm Monday, June 11 -1 to 6 pm Tuesday, June 12 -1 to 6 pm Thursday, June 14 -1 to 6 pm Saturday, June 16 -2 to 5 pm Monday, June 18 -1 to 6 pm Tuesday, June 19 -1 to 6 pm Thursday, June 21 -1 to 6 pm Saturday, June 23 -2 to 5 pm Tuesday, June 26 -1 to 6 pm Thursday, June 28 -1 to 6 pm Saturday, June 30 -2 to 5 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.

# **JULY NEWSLETTER DEADLINE**

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

# JUNE 2018 at UUFM

Sunday

Monday

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Wednesday

**Thursday** 

**Friday** 

7 AM HAPPY **KITCHEN** breakfast

10 AM TO 12 PM

JONALU JOHNSTONE at

Radina's Bakehouse

6:30 TO 9:30 PM

**PARENT NIGHT OUT** 

**7 PM BEER AND THEOLOGY** 

Auntie Mae's Parlor

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

Saturday

**8 PM WEAR ORANGE DAY** Courthouse Plaza see pg 4 in newsletter www.wearorange.org

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10:45 AM SUNDAY SERVICE Journey to Blessing

11 AM YOUTH RE tie-dying and cupcakes tell Sandy your children's T-shirt size, 341-0135

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

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**12** NOON MEN'S LUNCH

**6 PM AWED POTLUCK** 

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

10:45 AM SUNDAY SERVICE Just to Be Is a Blessing--Just to Live Is Holy **HELPING HANDS SUNDAY** Shepherd's Crossing

**UU WORLD TRAVELERS** canoeing - Pillsbury Crossing,

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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** Jessica Sievers, 532-8471

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

2 TO 4 PM JONALU JOHNSTONE at Radina's in Aggieville, (405) 627-3859

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7 AM HAPPY KITCHEN breakfast St Paul's Episcopal Church

> last minute **NEWSLETTER DEADLINE**

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**10 AM** TO **4 PM** JUNETEENTH Manhattan City Park Marisa Larson 240 305-0895

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12:30 TO 2:30 PM JONALU JOHNSTONE at Radina's on the Hill

3 PM **MEADOWLARK SERVICE** 

10 AM 1 TO 5 PM JONALU JOHNSTONE 1 TO 6 PM **SUSAN TURNER** 

**BOOK DISCUSSION** Lorrie Cross, 539-7883 30

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