

JULY 2019 SUNDAY SERVICES

JULY 7 "FOR SUCH A TIME AS THIS: THE POWER OF WE"

Rev Jonalu Johnstone speaks. The theme for this year's UU General Assembly was "The Power of We." We face many challenges in our current times--rising authoritarianism around the globe, climate change, visible reassertions of hierarchical power like white supremacy and heteropatriarchy, threats of war and terrorism. Fortunately, we are not alone. How do we move towards strengthening our relationships in order to build the power we need to confront our challenges? Our convener is Katie Kingery-Page at 785 341-5650 kingerypage@gmail.com.

JULY 14 "UNDER OUR NOSES:

THE POWER OF INSECTS TO INTIMATELY INFLUENCE OUR WELL-BEING"

Our speaker is Hannah Quellhorst, PhD student, Department of Entomology at KSU. Insects affect every major human activity. They invade our homes, are our main competitors for food, are the greatest killer of humans (more than all wars combined) through vectored diseases, destroy forests, and disrupt ecosystems through invasion. Yet, insects are our friends pollinating crops, protecting crops from bad insects, cleaning up our waste, and playing pivotal roles in many food chains. We'll explore how insects affect us in large and small ways. Our convener is Emily Fraser at 517 231-5504 or emily.jeanne.fraser@gmail.com.

JULY 21 "GOODNESS GRACIOUS! WHAT DOES YOUR UU FAITH REQUIRE OF YOU?"

Rev Jonalu Johnstone speaks. Ethics provide moral principles for operating in our world. We all have particular codes or sets of rules that we are supposed to follow----federal, state and local laws; codes of conduct for our professions or place of work; covenants in our congregation. As UU's, we also know that sometimes laws and rules perpetuate injustice. How do we "be good?" And how does our faith help guide us in knowing which rules to follow and when they are worth breaking? Our convener is Rob Morrison at 480 861-1732 or william.robert.morrison@gmail.com.

JULY 28 "A VISIT IN ROMANIA"

We welcome UUFM friend Anne Marchin and Ken Yager, co-chair of the Transylvanian Partner Church Committee at All Souls Unitarian Church, in Kansas City. Ken will share his experiences as a friend and supporter of the Church of Nyaradgalfalva, in the Romanian homeland of Unitarianism and freedom of conscience. Our convener is Harriette Janke at 785 539-0865 or harriettejanke@gmail.com.



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

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COMING UP ...

Our July **FAMILY FUN** events include a meet-up at the City Park Splash Park on Saturday, JULY 27, and canoeing on Sunday, JULY 28. Learn more on page 3 of this newsletter.

Save the dates for a **NEXT STEPS WEEKEND,** SEPTEMBER 20 thru 22. Learn more on page 4. This year's UU General Assembly proclaimed and explored "the Power of We." Each year we gather as representatives of congregations to shape the work of our Unitarian Universalist Association. This year, we took a step back to consider a larger perspective. Who are we together? What do we want our faith to be? One of UU's great difficulties theologically has been our radical individualism. Because we have no creed and embrace a wide variety of viewpoints, Unitarian Universalism has too often been defined in personal individual terms rather than seeking out what we hold in



common, and how we can live that out together. What's more, as we face increasing diversity, how can we live into being more anti-racist and multicultural, more fully inclusive--together?

While I was away at GA, UUFM held an important

workshop here, led by Debra Bolton, about that very topic. I'm glad we had good participation.

Back at GA, CB Beal, this year's recipient of the Angus H MacLean Award for Excellence in Religious Education, suggests that "... we intentionally position ourselves, before we know anything at all about anyone in the room, to presuppose that everyone is already, and always, in the room." That means that we assume that there are people with disabilities, immigrants, people of color, people with various sexual orientations and gender identities, people of different generations. Then, we will be careful to be inclusive in our language and ways of being. We will use a microphone because someone may have difficulty hearing. We will consider the needs of people of different ages. We will use language that affirms all people. We will only use "we" when we can be sure that "we" includes everyone.

It's a thought-provoking challenge, and perhaps more true than we realize. How often does a room include people who are or have been poor, when we talk about "poor people?" How often might someone in the room carry an identity we cannot easily recognize--or have someone in their family or among their close friends with that identity? Taking CB Beal's approach could keep us from talking about others in a way that might be interpreted as disapproving or dishonoring. We become more inclusive by being more inclusive. "We," after all, can only have the full power of we, if we can be radically inclusive. It's worth a try.

Jonalu

[You can watch GA events that were videotaped at <u>www.uua.org/ga/off-site/2019</u>, and see coverage of GA from UU World at <u>www.uuworld.org/ga</u>.]

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

SCAMMER ALERT !

The UUA has seen an increase in "phishing" attempts of all kinds. Sometimes, they request money. Other times, they invite the recipient to click a link or open an attachment that can trigger malicious code. A good rule of thumb with emails you're not expecting is to reach out to the sender through another channel (call, text, visit website). Do NOT reply directly to the email, and, do NOT click on a link (or send money, gift cards, etc) without clarifying from the trusted source. To get a better sense of what to look for in unsolicited emails, try this Google Phishing Quiz at https://phishingquiz.withgoogle.com/.

Rev Jonalu Johnstone's Schedule

Tuesday,	July	2 - 1 to 5 pm
Saturday,	July	6 - 10:30 am to 12:30 pm, Radina's Aggieville
Tuesday,	July	9 - 1 to 5 pm
Thursday,	July	11 - 1 to 5 pm
Friday,	July	12 - 2 to 4 pm, Radina's Bakehouse

July 14 thru 20, Jonalu goes on study leave. She will not be in the office, or doing routine ministry tasks. She will, however, be available by phone or email, for urgent needs. July 22 to August 4, Jonalu takes some vacation. She may be slow to respond to voicemail or email, and for messages which are not urgent, will reply after her return on August 6. During office hours, Jonalu may be reached at 537-2349 or revjonalu@uufm.net. During "out-of-office" hours, drop into Radina's for a cup of coffee and a chat.

Religious Education News







UU WORLD TRAVELERS EMBARK ON A CANOEING ADVENTURE AT PILLSBURY CROSSING ON SUNDAY, JUNE 10, 2018.

Remember: all children must be registered for the 2019-2020 year. Registration forms are available on the RE bulletin board at the end of the hallway as well as online at: <u>https://form.jotform.com/51486475507160</u>.

UU WORLD TRAVELERS !!!

During our summer program all students meet together for class where guest "tour guides" from the congregation lead students on all kinds of adventures. Our June tours have been wide ranging including a tour of China, and backpacking in Patagonia.

- July 7: **Tour of Cells** with our own biologist, Taryn Cipra
- July 14: **TOUR OF ADVERTISING** Is Bounty really the quicker picker upper? With Sandy Nelson
- July 21: This date is OPEN, can you help fill it?
- July 28: CANOE DAY!!! We head to Pillsbury Crossing with Larry Weaver and Dan Swenson

We still have a few dates to fill. If you have an idea or inspiration, contact Sandy at 785 341-0135 or *dre@uufm.net.* She's happy to help you make plans for a fun morning with our kids.

JULY FAMILY FUN -- WATER WEEKEND !!!

By the end of July it may be unbearably hot. So let's all join up and cool off at the Splash Park in Manhattan City Park! We'll meet on Saturday, JULY 27, at 2 pm. The Splash Park is near the southeast corner of the park. And then on Sunday ... it's canoe day at the fellowship and we're all headed to Pillsbury Crossing. Learn more from Sandy at 785 341-0135 or dre@uufm.net.

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.

DRE's SCHEDULE

This month, Sandy will be in the Fellowship office on **Tuesdays** and **Thursdays**, from 3:30 to 4:30 pm.

- 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. Jane Pelletier at 785 537-0954 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 785 537-3738 or mou812@ksu.edu.
- Don't miss **BEER AND THEOLOGY**, on the first Friday of every month. This month, we meet on JULY 5, at 7 pm, at Auntie Mae's in Aggieville. Contact Chris Bailey at 785 341-8997 or meadbailey@gmail.com.
- There will be **NO** (**AWed**) **POTLUCK** over the Summer. Please watch for announcements in September.
- The UUFM **BOOK DISCUSSION GROUP** meets on Friday, JULY 26, at 10 am, at the Cattell residence. We'll discuss *The Edge of the Sea*, by Rachel Carson. Learn more from Diane Barker, at 785 539-9163, Lorrie Cross at 785 539-7883 or Imcross@kansas.net.

GET READY FOR MUSICALE XVIII !!!

The eighteenth annual UUFM Musicale is coming in SEPTEMBER! Singers, instrumentalists, dancers, drummers, et al, are invited to join in this opportunity to share their talents with the congregation. There's plenty of room for individual performers and small groups to strut their stuff for the rest of us. Volunteers of all ages, at every stage of their development, are encouraged

to join in as performers. Learn more from Music Director Renea Brown at 785 209-2886 or reneareasoner@gmail.com.



SAVE THE DATES -- NEXT STEPS WEEKEND VISIT -- SEPTEMBER 20 TO 22

Our Fellowship has been considering the purchase of a different building. Though several guestions and concerns about that remain, one stands out. How would we pay for it--both in terms of purchase and on-going expenses? To help us address these questions, our Board has invited a consultant to help us in financial planning. Barry Finkelstein will spend Friday, Saturday, and Sunday, SEPTEMBER 20 thru 22, with us to conduct a Next Steps Weekend program. He hopes to accomplish three goals during the visit: 1) gather enough information to gain a clear sense of who we are and where we would like to go; 2) generate specific observations and recommendations to help us on our journey; and 3) explain how the Stewardship for Us Team can offer guidance and coaching as we move into the future. Barry will meet with congregational leaders on Friday evening and Saturday morning. Saturday afternoon, he'll conduct an open workshop for everyone. On Sunday, he will hold an open forum to share his observations and recommendations. These sessions will be engaging, energetic, and informative. We'll provide snacks and childcare will be available. We encourage all to attend.

Meadowlark Hills Service

There will be *NO MEADOWLARK SERVICE IN JULY*, while Rev Jonalu is on vacation. Join us for our next gathering on Wednesday, AUGUST 28, at 3 pm, in Meadowlark's Flint Hills room. Invite your friends! Learn more from Jonalu Johnstone at 785 537-2349 or revjonalu@uufm.net.

MUSIC AT THE FELLOWSHIP

The UUFM Singers take a break over the summer, as our Music Director prepares for the Annual Musicale in September. Whether you like singing on center stage or just singing in the shower, *we need you!* The UUFM choir is looking to bolster our ranks. Learn about all musical opportunities at the Fellowship from Music Director Renea Brown at 785 209-2886 or reneareasoner@gmail.com.

TAI CHI

Curious about Tai Chi? Join Mark Moser, Jonalu Johnstone and other interested folks to practice some easy Chi Gung warm-ups, and learn Wu and Yang styles of Tai Chi. We welcome anyone of any skill level. We meet at 9 am, on SATURDAY MORNINGS, in Manhattan City Park, between the rose Garden and the stage. Learn more from Jonalu, at 785 537-2349 or revjonalu@uufm.net, or Mark at 785 537-5028 or mark@grapeviner.com.

HELPING HANDS

During Sunday morning services in July, collection contributions not marked specifically "for UUFM" will go to the **Guardian Angels**, providing funds for men with immediate and urgent needs that are not met by traditional funding sources. Learn more at <u>www.gafund.org</u>.

In June, Fellowship members and friends contributed the morning's collection to Shepherd's Crossing. THANK YOU all for your generous donations! Learn more from Helping Hands coordinator Dixie Moreau at 785 477-8188 or dixie.moreau53@att.net.

FAIR TRADE COFFEE, TEA, AND CHOCOLATE



Equal Exchange whole bean, ground, an 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 340-5001 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.

RACIAL JUSTICE TEAM MEETING

Rev Jonalu Johnstone and the UUFM Racial Justice team meet on Sunday, JULY 7, at 4 pm, at the Fellowship. Members and friends interested in this learning and action experience are urged to join us. More from Jonalu at 537-2349 or revjonalu@uufm.net.

THE POWER OF WE-- GA 2019

The UUA General Assembly 2019 concluded on June 23. Find reports and learn more about this annual gathering of UUs at <u>www.uua.org/ga/</u>. You can watch GA events that were videotaped at <u>www.uua.org/ga/off-site/2019</u>, and see coverage of GA from *UU World* at <u>www.uuworld.org/ga</u>.

UUFM VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

COFFEE AND GREETING TEAMS offer a great way to get acquainted and get involved, and each team serves only three or four Sundays each year. Learn more from Susan Turner at 539-3272 or office@uufm.net.

This month, Fellowship volunteers prepare and serve **HAPPY KITCHEN COMMUNITY BREAKFAST** EVERY FRIDAY MORNING, from 7 to 8:30 am, at St Paul's Episcopal Church. *If you'd iike to learn more, or you're ready to join one of our Happy Kitchen teams*, contact Tom Phillips at 405 880-6483 or twp1@ksu.edu, or Rob DeLong at 417 761-2488 or rkdelong@gmail.com.

If you are creative, visually oriented, attentive to detail, and work well on your own, consider volunteering to maintain our UUFM **BULLETIN BOARDS**. You'll serve the mission of UUFM by keeping people informed and keeping our space attractive and inviting. We'll provide the information. You make choices about format, design, and when you'll do it. Contact Sue Turner at 537-2349 or office@uufm.net, or Jonalu Johnstone at revjonalu@uufm.net to learn more.

COFFEE AND GREETING TEAMS



- July 7: Cybil Perkins, Dave Lambert, and Ana Franklin
- July 14: Gene Sievers, Kathy Swenson, Justin Harms, and Mark Clarke
- July 21: Kim Ewing, Livia Olsen, Larry Weaver, and Taryn Cipra
- July 28: Elke Lorenz, Becky Sorenson, Lily Colburn, and Fred Reynolds

Learn more about coffee and greeting teams from Shirley Hobrock at 785 776-3175 or shirleyjhobrock@hotmail.com.

NEED A NEW NAME TAG?

If any member would like a new magnetic name tag, contact Shirley Hobrock at 785 776-3175 or shirleyjhobrock@hotmail.com. The cost is \$6 (new members receive name tags at no cost).

Administrator's Schedule

July	1 - 1 to 6 pm
July	2 - 1 to 6 pm
July	6 - 2 to 5 pm
July	8 - 1 to 6 pm
July	9 - 1 to 6 pm
July	11 - 1 to 6 pm
July	13 - 2 to 5 pm
July	15 - 1 to 6 pm
July	16 - 1 to 6 pm
July	18 - 1 to 6 pm
July	20 - 2 to 5 pm
July	22 - 1 to 6 pm
July	23 - 1 to 6 pm
July	25 - 1 to 6 pm
July	27 - 2 to 5 pm
July	29 - 1 to 6 pm
July	30 - 1 to 6 pm
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Drop in at the Fellowship during Susan Turner's office hours, or call 785 537-2349. She may be reached at any time at office@uufm.net.

HELPFUL INFORMATION FOR MEMBERS AND FRIENDS

- Contact Fellowship administrator Susan Turner at 785 539-3272 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've considered **BECOMING A MEMBER** of UUFM, ask Welcoming chair Shirley Hobrock at 785 776-3175 or shirleyjhobrock@hotmail.com, or Jonalu Johnstone at 785 537-2349 or revjonalu@uufm.net.
- Fellowship members may receive **UU WORLD MAGAZINE**, without cost. An audio version of *UU World* is available for those with vision or reading difficulties. To subscribe, contact Susan Turner at 785 537-2349 or office@uufm.net. Read *UU World* online at <u>www.uuworld.org</u>.
- Join in discussions of interest; receive information on community events, and last-minute updates and announcements on our UUFM **EMAIL LIST**. Contact list moderator Ruth Welti at welti@ksu.edu to subscribe.
- Consider the convenience of **ELECTRONIC GIVING**. UUFM relies on the financial support of our congregation and electronic contributions offer a simple and easy way to give on a regular basis. For details, contact Fellowship bookkeeper Sandy Nelson at sandralounelson@yahoo.com or 785 341-0135, or pick up literature and a form from the information carousel in the Alsop room at the Fellowship. *Thank you!*

SUNDAY ANNOUNCEMENTS

Please contact fellowship administrator Susan Turner at 785 537-2349 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 785 537-2349 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 785 537-2349 or office@uufm.net.

AUGUST NEWSLETTER DEADLINE

The deadline for submissions to the July edition of *The UUFM Voice* will be Monday, **JULY 15**. Submissions received later may not be included in the newsletter. Please send your newsletter contributions to Susan Turner at 785 539-3272 or office@uufm.net.

JULY 2019 at UUFM

