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*WHAT DOES IT MEAN TO BE*

## ***A PEOPLE OF BELONGING?*** *(Adapted from Soul Matters packet for UUUFM)*

You hardly knew  
how hungry you were  
to be gathered in,  
to receive the welcome  
that invited you to enter  
entirely ...  
Tentative steps  
became settling in ...  
You began to breathe again ...  
You learned to sing.

But the deal with this blessing  
is that it will not leave you alone,  
will not let you linger ...  
this blessing  
will ask you to leave,  
not because it has tired of you  
but because it desires for you  
to become the sanctuary  
that you have found ...

- Jan Richardson

Jan Richardson starts off her poem by mentioning hunger. It's also a perfect way to begin framing this month's theme of belonging. We've all felt it. Just saying the word "belonging" conjures it up: The hunger to be included; the longing to be let in. No one likes standing outside the circle. No one likes leaning against the locked door listening to everyone laughing inside. From the time we are little, belonging is the thing we seek. It's the hoped-for Holy Grail at the end of our journeys.

Or is it just the beginning of our journey?

You have to love the way Richardson surprises us with that twist. One minute she's wrapping us in comforting words about settling into belonging and the next she's shaking us awake and telling us to get up and go. And maybe what she's really waking us up to is the fact that there are two types of belonging, only one of which is a blessing.

To use her language, if you find yourself being invited to linger rather than leave, warning bells should go off. Be wary of those who welcome you with a club jacket and soft couch. They may have let you in, but soon they will enlist you to help with the work of keeping others out.

Instead, as all the true sages and sacred traditions tell us, the true blessing of belonging isn't that you get to come inside the circle; it's that you get to participate in expanding it.

Which means maybe our question this month is different than one we might expect. Instead of "Where can I find belonging?" maybe it's "How can I become belonging for others?"

May that be the question and the type of belonging this month that--to use Richardson's words--"will not leave any of us alone."



## OCTOBER 2019 SUNDAY SERVICES

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

### OCTOBER 6 "THE RESPONSIBILITY OF BELONGING: WHAT DOES YOM KIPPUR HAVE TO TEACH US?"

Rev Jonalu Johnstone speaks. Each year Jewish congregations fill this time of year, first for Rosh Hashanah, the New Year (this year, September 29-October 1), and then for Yom Kippur, the Day of Atonement (October 8-9). For some Jews, this is their sole engagement with religious community during the year. Why show up for a time of reflection and atonement? What does this practice have to say about belonging to a community? Our convener is Rob Morrison at 480 861-1732 or [william.robert.morrison@gmail.com](mailto:william.robert.morrison@gmail.com).

### OCTOBER 13 "DO WE BELONG TO THE LAND, OR DOES THE LAND BELONG TO US?"

Rev Jonalu Johnstone presents this service. When we talk about belonging, we need to consider the place in which we dwell, and the history, biology, and nature of the place. How can we change our cultural understanding of ownership of land to live more gently on it, knowing its place and acknowledging its history? Our convener is Christopher Renner at 785 341-9549 or [renner1974@gmail.com](mailto:renner1974@gmail.com).

### OCTOBER 20 "SPECIES BELONG TOGETHER: WE BLESS ANIMALS AND THEY BLESS US"

Bring the whole family, and join us for this SERVICE FOR ALL AGES. Rev Jonalu Johnstone reflects, "Many people feel their greatest sense of belonging and connection with a beloved pet. We'll explore that connection and include a blessing of animals. Bring your well-behaved pets to participate and be blessed. Or, if your pet is more on the wild side, bring a picture. Stuffed animals welcome too! We'll also include remembrances of those pets that have died, so pictures of them are also appropriate." Our convener is Diane Barker at 785 317-7576 or [dogsboddy@yahoo.com](mailto:dogsboddy@yahoo.com).

*Following the service on OCTOBER 20, we'll hold a **CONGREGATIONAL MEETING** to consider the launch of a ministerial search, and approval of the use of endowment funds for building maintenance. Learn more on page 5.*

### OCTOBER 27 "GROW WHERE YOU'RE ROOTED: FINDING HOME"

Rev Jonalu Johnstone speaks. Belonging can be particularly challenging for military families and others who move frequently. Most of us, though, at some time in our lives have faced the situation of making a place – a community, a workplace, a home, a congregation -- our own. How do we move from stranger to fully inhabiting our place? Our convener is Terry Hardley at [tfregapane@gmail.com](mailto:tfregapane@gmail.com).

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### COMING UP ...

Members are urged to attend a **CONGREGATIONAL MTG** following the service on Sunday, **OCTOBER 20**. More on page 5 of this newsletter.

Curious about Sunday services at the Fellowship? Come for **CONVENER TRNG** on Sunday, **OCTOBER 6**. See page 5.

Pick your costumes and decorate your car trunks for **TRUNK OR TREAT**, Sunday, **OCTOBER 27**. More on page 4.

Help clean and maintain our Fellowship, during the annual **FALL WORK DAY** on Saturday, **OCTOBER 5**. More on page 7.



UUFM is a  
**WELCOMING CONGREGATION**  
Learn more about the Welcoming Congregation initiative at  
[www.uua.org/lgbtq/welcoming/program](http://www.uua.org/lgbtq/welcoming/program)

I'm continually amazed at who feels they belong and who feels they don't belong. Not because of any particular qualities of either group, but because feelings of belonging seem so unpredictable. This can be especially pronounced in a congregational setting because of our expectations of church.

Of course, some feeling out of place can be easy to explain.



If I'm different from everyone else around me in some pronounced way--the language we speak, our racial or ethnic heritage, our interests and enthusiasms, our politics or religion--it can be very tough to feel bonded.

When people ask me why our congregation is so white, this is an obvious part of the explanation. It's hard to feel welcome if everyone seems different from you. Breaking out of those strong cultural constraints is not easy.

But so much goes into that feeling of belonging in a congregation or anywhere. Some people who appear very well-connected feel isolated and lonely, separate from the congregational community. Some people who rarely show up to anything feel a deep bond with the congregation. I can't understand, much less explain, this disconnect between appearances and feelings. Except to say that feelings are based on a lot more than what goes on on the surface.

Belonging, then, is a deeply subjective experience. No one else will ever be able to feel what you feel or fully grasp what you go through. Yet, there is comfort in feeling understood (at least in part), in fitting in, in finding a sense of belonging. Comfort we all want.

So much of our sense of belonging depends on our childhood. Did we feel unconditional love? Did we believe we had a place in our family? Did we develop a confidence in ourselves that we could rely on when we encountered others? Did we find a sense of security in our place in the universe?

And if we didn't find it in childhood, how did we seek it as we grew to adulthood? Or ensconced in that sense of security in childhood, have we searched to find the same as adults? Did it elude us? When we are children, we can expect others to create that belonging for us, but having

grown up, our sense of belonging relies more and more in our own ability to seek it, to find it, or to create it.

In a congregation, that responsibility becomes mutual. Together, we create a place not only for ourselves, but also for others. We make room and make way. We offer our-selves to one another so that mutually, we belong to one another.

Such belonging is no easy matter. It takes awareness, intentionality, and mutual concern. I am so glad that in this congregation, people take care of one another--imperfectly, perhaps--but the effort is clear and the results show. We all have the job of creating welcome and crafting belonging for ourselves and others.

Thank you for all you do to make this congregation a people of belonging.

*Jonalu*

*Talk to Rev Jonalu Johnstone after Sunday services, or contact her at 537-2349 or [revjonalu@uufm.net](mailto:revjonalu@uufm.net).  
Read Jonalu's blog at [uufm.net/topic/minister-blog/](http://uufm.net/topic/minister-blog/)*

### REV JONALU JOHNSTONE'S SCHEDULE

Tuesday,	Oct 1 - 2 to 4:30 pm
Wednesday,	Oct 2 - 10 am to 12 pm, Radina's Aggieville
Thursday,	Oct 3 - 1:30 to 2:30 pm
Thursday,	Oct 10 - 1 to 5 pm
Friday,	Oct 11 - 8 to 10 am, Radina's Bakehouse
Tuesday,	Oct 15 - 1 to 5 pm
Wednesday,	Oct 16 - 2:30 to 4:30 pm, Radina's Aggieville
Thursday,	Oct 17 - 3:30 to 5 pm
Tuesday,	Oct 22 - 1:30 to 5 pm
Wednesday,	Oct 23 - 12:30 to 2:30 pm, Radina's on the Hill
Thursday,	Oct 24 - 1 to 5 pm
Tuesday,	Oct 29 - 1 to 5 pm
Wednesday,	Oct 30 - 10 am to 12 pm, Radina's Aggieville
Thursday,	Oct 31 - 1 to 5 pm

October 7 to 9, Jonalu will be away attending the district UU ministers' retreat. She may be reached by phone or email. During office hours, contact Jonalu at the Fellowship at 537-2349 or [revjonalu@uufm.net](mailto:revjonalu@uufm.net). During "out-of-office" hours drop into Radina's for a cup of coffee and a chat.

## RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWS

We have officially begun our school year programming. We started in early September with a "Safety Day" where students learned what to do in case of fire, tornado, etc. (It was fun to discharge an old fire extinguisher in the parking lot.) So you know...we line the hallway in case of a tornado, and we meet our families near the big tree by the road if there's a fire.

Now we're on to our (roughly) age-divided classes. 7th-12th grades meet with Molly in the Jupiter room (it's a big group and they need the space). The "7-up class" is exploring the UUA Neighboring Faiths curriculum. They'll be having deep faith formation discussions along with field trips to other houses of worship.

Babies and toddlers are the center of the universe (or so they think) so the Nursery is our Sun room. We've hired a couple of folks to be nursery attendants so the Nursery is staffed every Sunday. However, we're always in the market for sitters. If you know anyone who might be interested please ask them to contact me. Maybe a student from the high school or university?

The PreK-Kindergarten-1st grade group "PreK-K-1" meets in the Mercury room. They're using the UUA curriculum, "Chalice Children" which aims to get students comfortable with the fellowship through stories, activities, and the seven principles. Susan Rensing and Christie Launius rotate as the teachers of that class.

2nd-4th graders meet in the Neptune room (formerly the stage). Matt Sayre is the lead teacher of this group but we could use a substitute now and then. If you're interested, let me know. First quarter is all about Unitarian Universalism and they use the UUA Tapestry of Faith curriculum, "Love will Guide Us" as well as the classic "Picture Book Unitarian Universalism."

The 5th-6th graders meet in the Alsop room (or outside in nice weather). They also start the year with Unitarian Universalism and have rotating teachers. They'll explore faith formation using the "Lodestone" curriculum and the "Spirit of Adventure" curriculum. Both of those have some fun activities perfect for this energetic age group (the Mentos and Coke lesson is wonderful!).

*Sandy*

*Talk with Director of Religious Education Sandy Nelson most Sunday mornings before or after the service, or contact her at 785 341-0135 or DRE@uufm.net.*



# TRUNK or TREAT

Sunday, October 27  
12:15 p.m. – 1:00 p.m.  
(UUFM lower parking lot)

Costume parade: 12:25 p.m.  
Prizes: best children's costume  
best adult costume  
best trunk decoration  
Fun for everyone –  
young and old alike.  
Pizza!

Coffee time moves to the lower parking lot on the 27th and everyone is encouraged to decorate their car trunks and distribute Halloween trinkets to the kids.



### 3RD SUNDAY TEEN LUNCH

All teens (7th grade and up) are invited to gather for lunch after the service, on the third Sunday of each month. Bring \$5 to cover lunch. Bring a friend! Learn more from Sandy at 785 341-0135 or DRE@uufm.net.

### REGISTER YOUR CHILD

*Help us get to know your child(ren). Tell us about their special talents, interests, and needs. Please register, or update your child's information by completing a registration form posted on the RE bulletin board at the Fellowship, or available at <http://form.jotform.us/form/51486475507160>.*

### DRE's SCHEDULE

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



## ACTIVITIES AND EVENTS – EVENTS ARE OPEN TO ALL INTERESTED PEOPLE

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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 prepared for lively conversation. Michael Oldfather at 785 537-3738 or mou812@ksu.edu.

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 785 537-0954 or mjanepelletier@gmail.com.

Don't miss **BEER AND THEOLOGY**, on the first Friday of every month. This month, we meet on OCTOBER 4, at 7 pm, at Auntie Mae's in Aggieville. Contact Chris Bailey at 785 341-8997 or meadbailey@gmail.com.

The UUFM **BOOK DISCUSSION GROUP** meets Friday, OCTOBER 25, at 10 am, at the Cattell residence. We'll be discussing *Leap of Faith, Memories of an Unexpected Life*, by Queen Noor. Learn more from Harriette Janke at 785 410-2150 or harriettejanke@gmail.com.

## CONGREGATIONAL MEETING !!!

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The UUFM Board encourages members to attend a Congregational Meeting following the morning service, on Sunday, OCTOBER 20. This meeting has been called to consider two items, which require the input and approval of the congregation before additional steps can be taken.

- 1) Following the announcement of Rev Jonalu Johnstone's retirement when her current contract with UUFM concludes, we will explore options and seek congregational approval to begin the ministerial search process.
- 2) We also seek approval to use \$14,500 from our endowment to fund much needed repairs to brickwork on the Fellowship building.

View details on our web site at <http://uufm.net/facilities-project/> or, contact Susan at 785 537-2349 or [office@uufm.net](mailto:office@uufm.net) for a hard copy of this information. Learn more from Board Chair Mark Mayfield at 785 776-6495 or [ferguson.mayfield@gmail.com](mailto:ferguson.mayfield@gmail.com).

## THEMES IN UU HISTORY AND THEOLOGY

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We meet *BEFORE THE SUNDAY SERVICE*, at 9:30 am (dates vary). This year, we tackle UU history and theology through a social justice lens. We'll dive deep on a few particular moments and themes. *Let us know by the Wednesday before if you'll need childcare.*

### OCTOBER 6 – UNITARIAN AND UNIVERSALIST RESPONSES TO SLAVERY

*Unitarians and Universalists took no one view of slavery in the 19th century. From radical abolitionists to moderates to compromisers, they represented a spectrum of responses*

### NOVEMBER 17 – BEYOND BINARIES

*UU's have led the way in expanded LGBTIQ+ rights. What can we learn to help in other movements?*

### DECEMBER 8 – JUST WAR, PACIFISM, AND PEACE-MAKING

*Different theories of peace-making lead to different reactions to war. How have Unitarians, Universalists, and UU's engaged, and what does that mean for us as we search for peace in our time?*

## WELCOMING BREAKFAST AND NEW MEMBER RECOGNITION

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During the service on Sunday, OCTOBER 13, we will recognize and welcome new members who have recently joined the Fellowship. New members and their families, as well as those who've been thinking about joining or are simply curious, are invited to come early, before the service at 10 AM, for a GET-ACQUAINTED BREAKFAST. Our Welcoming Committee needs assistance with breakfast. Learn more, and find out how you can help, from Shirley Hobrock, at 785 776-3175 or shirleyjhobrock@hotmail.com, or Rev Jonalu Johnstone at 785 537-2349 or revjonalu@uufm.net.

## MEADOWLARK HILLS SERVICE

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Join us on Wednesday, OCTOBER 23, at 3 pm, in Meadowlark's Flint Hills room. Learn more from Jonalu Johnstone at 537-2349 or revjonalu@uufm.net.

## CONVENER TRAINING

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Everyone is invited following the morning service on Sunday, OCTOBER 6, beginning at 12:15 pm. Learn about how to put together multi-sensory worship, along with the basics of leading Sunday services here at UUFM. If you're interested in involvement of any kind with our services, this is a good place to check in. Snacks will be provided. *Please let us know if you'll need childcare* during the training. Learn more from Jonalu at 785 537-2349 or revjonalu@uufm.net.

## RACIAL JUSTICE BOOK DISCUSSION

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Our exploration of *Just Mercy*, by Bryan Stevenson, continues on Sunday, OCTOBER 6, 13, and 20, from 4 to 5:30 pm, at the Fellowship. *Just Mercy* is a powerful true story about the potential for mercy to redeem us, and a clarion call to fix our broken system of justice. Learn more from Judy Nickelson at 785 304-0086 or judynickelson@gmail.com.

## PEOPLE'S FORUM

Organized by several grassroots organizations, including Manhattan Alliance for Peace and Justice, the People's Forum is a non-endorsing accountability focused session with City Commission candidates. Focused on the issues of the various organizations, the forum will ask for commitments to work for the concerns of the people. Manhattan voters are encouraged to attend. The forum gathers on Thursday, OCTOBER 10, from 7 to 9 pm, on the K-State campus, in room 257 of the Leadership Studies Building. Learn more at [www.facebook.com/events/2408515122729822/](http://www.facebook.com/events/2408515122729822/)

## UUFM VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

**COFFEE AND GREETING TEAMS** offer a great way to get acquainted and get involved, and each team serves three or four Sundays each year. Learn more from Susan Turner at 539-3272 or [office@uufm.net](mailto: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 like 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](mailto:twp1@ksu.edu), or Rob DeLong at 417 761-2488 or [rkdelong@gmail.com](mailto: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 785 537-2349 or [office@uufm.net](mailto:office@uufm.net), or Jonalu Johnstone at [revjonalu@uufm.net](mailto:revjonalu@uufm.net) to learn more.

## HELPING HANDS SUNDAY

In OCTOBER, Helping Hands contributions will be collected for **THE CRISIS CENTER**, serving victims of domestic abuse and sexual assault in Clay, Geary, Marshall, Pottawatomie, and Riley Counties. Learn more at [www.thecrisiscenter.org](http://www.thecrisiscenter.org).

*In September, Fellowship members and friends contributed our morning collections to Sunflower CASA. THANK YOU all for your generous donations! See details about our Helping Hands collections over the past year in the Treasurer's Report on page 7 of this newsletter. Learn more from Helping Hands coordinator Dixie Moreau at 785 477-8188 or [dixie.moreau53@att.net](mailto: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 785 537-2025 or [anne\\_cowan@sbcglobal.net](mailto: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.*

The UUFM Executive Board invites everyone to participate in a series of four webinars exploring the possibilities within small UU congregations

## Small Numbers, Infinite Possibilities



October 16	Smalls Making a Big Difference
November 13	Right Sizing Your Congregation's Operations
January 15	Stewardship and Sustainability for the Long Haul
February 12	Being Beloved Community

Anyone interested in participating in one or more webinars, which will be viewed as a group at the Fellowship, may learn more from UUFM Executive Board Chair Mark Mayfield at 785 776-6495 or [ferguson.mayfield@gmail.com](mailto:ferguson.mayfield@gmail.com).

## COLLECTION FOR THE CRISIS CENTER AND MANHATTAN EMERGENCY SHELTER (MESI)

All month in October, we will conduct our fall collection for the Crisis Center and MESI. Each organization has a wish list of most needed items. The Crisis Center needs diapers and laundry detergent. MESI is in need of laundry detergent, cleaning supplies, new men's underwear (sizes S and M), and personal care items--especially toothpaste, deodorant, and razors for both men and women. Leave your contributions in the box in the narthex. Your continuing support of these vital local services are greatly appreciated. Betty Banner at 785 776-1887 or [bettybanner@gmail.com](mailto:bettybanner@gmail.com).

Due to expected rain on October 5, our Fall Work Day has been rescheduled. Please join us at the Fellowship building on



Fellowship members and friends gather for a one-day, one-morning activity, for maintenance and cleaning of our building and grounds.

*Bring a dish to share, or just join us for a potluck lunch at 12 noon.*

Learn more from Grounds chair Sylvia Beeman at 785 317-2897 or [sbeecwoman@hotmail.com](mailto:sbeecwoman@hotmail.com), or Facilities chair Dan Swenson at 785 537-4733 or [swenson.home@gmail.com](mailto:swenson.home@gmail.com).



Christmas ??? Yes, it's not too early to begin thinking about our annual

## Holiday Craft and Bake Sale

which will be held Sunday, **DECEMBER 8.**

If you are an artisan, fabric worker, photographer, make things, or bake holiday treats, please start thinking about what you will be making for this sale. Learn more from Betty Banner at 785 776-1887 or [bettybanner@gmail.com](mailto:bettybanner@gmail.com).

*This sale is our most important fund raiser of the year.*



## Tai Chi

*every Saturday,*

at 9 am, at the Fellowship.

Curious about Tai Chi? Join Mark Moser and Jonalu Johnstone to practice some easy Chi Gung warm-ups, and learn Wu and Yang styles of Tai Chi, beginning October 12. We will not meet on October 26, this month. Those of any skill level are invited. Learn more from Jonalu, at 537-2349 or [revjonalu@uufm.net](mailto:revjonalu@uufm.net), or Mark, at 537-5028 or [mark@grapeviner.com](mailto:mark@grapeviner.com).

## UPDATE FROM THE TREASURER

Happy fall! I'm writing to provide a few updates and celebrations. It was pointed out during the recent Next Steps Weekend that we need to be doing a better job of communicating about finances, particularly celebrating the things that we do well. As Treasurer, I need to be doing a better job of communicating about our finances. I have a few ideas for ways to increase my communication, which will include a variety of formats, but I would really like to hear from you as to what information you would like to receive. If you have any ideas, please catch me in person or email me. (Eli Martinson at [elias.martinson@gmail.com](mailto:elias.martinson@gmail.com)).

## HELPING HANDS

We began an experiment back in February to give all of the collection plate money (not marked for UUFM) each month to that month's Helping Hands recipient. While there are several variables that make it difficult to identify exactly how this is impacting the Fellowship's operating finances, one thing is for sure: we should be very proud of our increased contributions. Below is a table showing increases we have seen over the experiment period from the same period of the previous year. During the Board's annual retreat, the Board decided to continue this experiment and revisit the policy at the March 2020 Board meeting.

	2019	2018	INCREASE
FEBRUARY	\$820.24	\$489.00	\$331.24
MARCH	1,162.00	684.00	478.00
APRIL	626.23	434.00	192.23
MAY	878.00	388.00	490.00
JUNE	1,123.10	294.27	828.83
JULY	715.00	556.40	158.60
AUGUST	980.00	445.00	535.00
TOTALS	\$6,304.57	\$3,290.67	<b>\$3,013.90</b>

## PLEDGE DRIVE

A group of volunteers has been contacting members all summer regarding their pledges. If you haven't heard from someone yet, expect to soon. To date, we've received pledges totaling \$104,660 from 46 pledge units. Many increases from last year. Thank you for your generosity. Making some reasonable assumptions, our total increases to \$130,500 from 56 pledge units.

## FACILITIES PROJECTS

The facilities committee has recommended that we hire Hartman Masonry to fix the brick spalling on the southern and western exterior walls for the quoted amount of \$14,400. The board approved the project at its September meeting under the condition that we receive congregational approval to transfer the funds from expendable endowment. A congregational meeting will be held on October 20. Earlier this year, we held a similar meeting to request approval to transfer funds for roof repairs. Several members donated funds, totaling \$7,405.50, that reduced the endowment transfer to \$19,335.50. Thank you for the support! To donate money towards the brick spalling project, please contact me ([elias.martinson@gmail.com](mailto:elias.martinson@gmail.com)).

## COFFEE AND GREETING TEAMS



- Oct 6: Emily Fraser, Rob Morrison,  
Emily Trube, and Deirdre Greeley
- Oct 13: Cybil Perkins, Dave Lambert,  
and Ana Franklin
- Oct 20: Gene Sievers, Justin Harms,  
Mark Clarke, and Kathy Swenson
- Oct 27: Shirley Hobrock, Livia Olsen,  
Taryn Warner, and Larry Weaver

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, please contact Shirley Hobrock at 776-3175 or shirleyjhobrock@hotmail.com. The cost is \$6 (new members receive name tags at no cost).

## Administrator's Schedule

Tuesday, October	1 - 1 to 6 pm
Thursday, October	2 - 1 to 6 pm
Saturday, October	4 - 2 to 5 pm
Monday, October	7 - 1 to 6 pm
Tuesday, October	8 - 1 to 6 pm
Thursday, October	10 - 1 to 6 pm
Saturday, October	12 - 2 to 5 pm
Monday, October	14 - 1 to 6 pm
Tuesday, October	15 - 1 to 6 pm
Thursday, October	17 - 1 to 6 pm
Saturday, October	19 - 2 to 5 pm
Monday, October	21 - 1 to 6 pm
Tuesday, October	22 - 1 to 6 pm
Thursday, October	24 - 1 to 6 pm
Saturday, October	26 - 2 to 5 pm
Monday, October	28 - 1 to 6 pm
Tuesday, October	29 - 1 to 6 pm
Thursday, October	31 - 1 to 6 pm

Drop in at the Fellowship during Susan Turner's office hours, or call 785 537-2349. Sue 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 [www.uuworld.org](http://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 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.

## NOVEMBER NEWSLETTER DEADLINE

The deadline for submissions to the November edition of *The UUFM Voice* will be Tuesday, **OCTOBER 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.





# OCTOBER 2019 at UUFM

Sunday

Monday

Tuesday

Wednesday

Thursday

Friday

Saturday



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

**2**  
10 AM TO 12 PM  
**JONALU JOHNSTONE** at  
Radina's Aggieville  
  
12 NOON  
**MEN'S LUNCH**

**3**  
1 TO 6 PM  
**SUSAN TURNER**  
1:30 TO 2:30 PM  
**JONALU JOHNSTONE**  
3:30 TO 4:30 PM  
**SANDY NELSON** at  
Fellowship, 537-2349

**4** 7 AM **HAPPY KITCHEN** breakfast  
St Paul's Episcopal Church  
  
7 PM **BEER AND THEOLOGY**  
Auntie Mae's Parlor

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

**6** 9:30 AM  
**UU HISTORY AND THEOLOGY**  
*Unitarian and Universalist  
Responses to Slavery*  
10:45 AM **SUNDAY SERVICE**  
*The Responsibility of Belonging*  
12:15 PM **CONVENER TRNG**  
4 PM **JUST MERCY**  
book discussion

**7**  
  
1 TO 6 PM  
**SUSAN TURNER** at  
Fellowship, 537-2349

**8** 1 TO 6 PM  
**SUSAN TURNER**  
3:30 TO 4:30 PM  
**SANDY NELSON** at  
Fellowship, 537-2349  
  
7 PM **BOARD MEETING**  
Mark Mayfield, 776-6495

**9**  
  
12 NOON  
**MEN'S LUNCH**  
Jupiter room  
  
THURSDAY, OCTOBER 10  
7 PM **PEOPLE'S FORUM**  
Leadership Studies Bldg, rm 257  
see page 6 of newsletter

**10**  
1 TO 5 PM  
**JONALU JOHNSTONE**  
1 TO 6 PM  
**SUSAN TURNER**  
3:30 TO 4:30 PM  
**SANDY NELSON** at  
Fellowship, 537-2349

**11** 7 AM **HAPPY KITCHEN** breakfast  
St Paul's Episcopal Church  
  
8 TO 10 AM  
**JONALU JOHNSTONE**  
at Radina's Bakehouse  
(405) 627-3859

**12** 9 AM **TAI CHI**  
at the Fellowship  
9 AM **WORK DAY**  
Sylvia Beeman, 317-2897  
12 PM  
**POTLUCK LUNCH**  
2 TO 5 PM  
**SUSAN TURNER** at  
Fellowship, 537-2349

**13** 10 AM  
**WELCOMING BREAKFAST**  
Shirley Hobrock, 776-3175  
10:45 AM **SUNDAY SERVICE**  
*Do We Belong to the Land, or  
Does the Land Belong to Us?*  
4 PM **JUST MERCY**  
book discussion

**14**  
  
1 TO 6 PM  
**SUSAN TURNER** at  
Fellowship, 537-2349

**15** 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  
  
2:30 TO 4:30 PM  
**JONALU JOHNSTONE**  
at Radina's Aggieville  
(405) 627-3859

**17** 1 TO 6 PM  
**SUSAN TURNER**  
3:30 TO 5 PM  
**JONALU JOHNSTONE**  
3:30 TO 4:30 PM  
**SANDY NELSON** at  
Fellowship, 537-2349

**18** 7 AM **HAPPY KITCHEN** breakfast  
St Paul's Episcopal Church

**19** 9 AM **TAI CHI**  
at the Fellowship  
Mark Moser, 537-5028  
  
2 TO 5 PM  
**SUSAN TURNER** at  
Fellowship, 537-2349

**20** 10:45 AM **SUNDAY SERVICE**  
*Species Belong Together,  
We Bless the Animals,  
and They Bless Us*  
12:15 PM  
**CONGREGATIONAL MTG**  
4 PM **JUST MERCY**  
book discussion

**21**  
  
1 TO 6 PM  
**SUSAN TURNER** at  
Fellowship, 537-2349

**22** 1:30 TO 5 PM  
**JONALU JOHNSTONE**  
1 TO 6 PM  
**SUSAN TURNER**  
3:30 TO 4:30 PM  
**SANDY NELSON** at  
Fellowship, 537-2349

**23** 12:30 TO 2:30 PM  
**JONALU JOHNSTONE**  
at Radina's on the Hill  
(405) 627-3859  
  
12 NOON  
**MEN'S LUNCH**  
3 PM  
**MEADOWLARK SERVICE**

**24** 1 TO 5 PM  
**JONALU JOHNSTONE**  
1 TO 6 PM  
**SUSAN TURNER**  
3:30 TO 4:30 PM  
**SANDY NELSON** at  
Fellowship, 537-2349

**25** 7 AM **HAPPY KITCHEN** breakfast  
St Paul's Episcopal Church  
10 AM **BOOK DISCUSSION**  
Harriette Janke, 410-2150

**26**  
  
2 TO 5 PM  
**SUSAN TURNER** at  
Fellowship, 537-2349

**27** 10:45 AM **SUNDAY SERVICE**  
*Grow Where You're Rooted:  
Finding Home*  
12:15 PM  
**TRUNK OR TREAT**  
Lower parking lot

**28**  
  
1 TO 6 PM  
**SUSAN TURNER** at  
Fellowship, 537-2349

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

**30** 10 AM TO 12 PM  
**JONALU JOHNSTONE** at  
Radina's Aggieville  
(405) 627-3859  
  
12 NOON  
**MEN'S LUNCH**

**31** 1 TO 5 PM  
**JONALU JOHNSTONE**  
1 TO 6 PM  
**SUSAN TURNER**  
3:30 TO 4:30 PM  
**SANDY NELSON** at  
Fellowship, 537-2349

