We, the member congregations of the Unitarian Universalist Association, covenant to affirm and promote:

- The inherent worth and dignity of every person;
- Justice, equity, and compassion in human relations;
- Acceptance of one another and encouragement to spiritual growth in our congregations;
- A free and responsible search for truth and meaning;
- The right of conscience and the use of the democratic process within our congregations and in society at large;
- The goal of world community with peace, liberty, and justice for all;
- Respect for the interdependent web of all existence of which we are a part.
- journeying toward spiritual wholeness by working to build a diverse multicultural Beloved Community by our actions that accountably dismantle racism and other oppressions in ourselves and our institutions

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Build community. Seek inspiration.
Promote justice. Find peace.



Going Fast or Going Far: The Power of Community

Sunday, April 23, 2023 - 10:15 a.m.

Beth Monhollen

Janet Revell Barrett, Worship Associate
Assisted by Tanja Hodges, Dave Sharpe, Pat McClard, and Wendy Graves
M.R., Children's Choir Director
Junhong Jiang, Piano
Selena Gonzalez, Av Tech

ORDER OF SERVICE

April 23, 2023

Ringing the Bell

Prelude "Good Grace" by Joel Houston

Welcome & Land Acknowledgement Janet Revell Barrett

Chalice Lighting Beth Monhollen and Tanja Hodges (words by Catherine Callahan)
As the chalice is lit let us come together into the sacred space we have created. Let the cares of the day fall away and know that here is a place for quiet reflection, for a pause in our lives, for breathing into our true selves. Let what is said and felt here add richness to the dimensions of our lives and spiritual practices. We are strong together in community. We share the experience of being human. Let the warmth of the chalice lit during our time together connect us and carry us into the world.

***Opening Hymn #346, "Come, Sing a Song with Me"**

Greeting your neighbor

A Time for All Ages, *Belle Mama*, Children's Choir
[Children and REE volunteers can go downstairs to their classrooms]

Community Matters & Offering Dave Sharpe

"We Shall Be Known" Dana Antonelli, Sam Beshers, Jody Hanger, Jim Hannum, Tanja Hodges, Linda Owens, Steve Troyer

Reading – excerpt from "Forest Community" by Faye Orton Snyder

Shared Joys and Sorrows Pat McClard (Send your joys and sorrows to joysandsorrows@uucuc.org)

Blessing Song "May the Longtime Sun" by Mike Heron

Musical Meditation by Junhong Jiang

Reflection Beth Monhollen

***Closing Hymn 298, "Wake, Now, My Senses"**

Closing Words

Chalice Extinguishing Wendy Graves and Tanja Hodges
We extinguish this flame, but not the light of truth, the warmth of community, or the fire of commitment. These we carry in our hearts until we are together again.

Postlude "The People United will Never be Defeated

*Please rise in body or spirit

ARE YOU VISITING TODAY?

Welcome! Please stay after the service for coffee and snacks. Visit the Welcome Table in the lobby for name tags and to fill out a visitor's card to join our mailing list. Visit the Connections Hub Table for more information about this congregation and Unitarian Universalism, and to chat with welcoming members.

We're so pleased that you've visited us, and we hope you visit again soon.

Accessibility. Ask ushers for hearing assistance devices or large print Orders of Service. Large print hymnals are in baskets under pews along center aisle.

Hospitable Parking. Please reserve spaces in the parking lot for guests and newcomers and for persons with limited mobility. Additional street parking is available on Cedar & High Streets as well as in the parking lot behind Timothy Johns Salon at the northwest corner of Green & Birch Streets. Note that this lot is only available to us from 3:00 Saturday until the end of the day on Sunday.

Our intention is having a Fragrance-Free building. Please choose to be fragrance free out of respect for those who are affected by scents.

eNews. If you would like to receive our weekly eNews, please sign up at the Welcome table or via the QR code below.

For Your Information: Church events, including services, may be recorded and/or photographed. This is an AED equipped facility. The AED is located in the lobby, near the Green Street entry.

Visit Us on the Web. For further information about our church and recent news and upcoming events, please visit us at https://uucuc.org/.

Newsletter

Weekly Calendar

Sunday, April 23
Mindfulness Practice / 9:00 a.m. – 10:00 a.m. / Zoom
Nursery / 10:00 a.m. – 11:30 a.m. / Nursery
Sunday Service / 10:15 a.m. – 11:30 a.m. / Sanctuary and YouTube
Online Fellowship Hour / 11:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. / Zoom

Monday, April 24
Leaning into Our Faith / 7:00 p.m. – 8:30 p.m. / Zoom

Tuesday, April 25
Last day for content for eNews & Order of Service by 5:00 p.m., the latest.
BoT Business Meeting / 6:30 p.m. – 8:30 p.m. / Zoom

Wednesday, April 26
Choir Rehearsal / 5:45 p.m. – 8:45 p.m. / Sanctuary
CrUUners Rehearsal / 4:45 p.m. – 6:15 p.m. / Children's Chapel
Social Action Council / 6:30 p.m. – 8:00 p.m. / Fellowship
Journey Yinside / 7:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m. / Children's Chapel

Thursday, April 27
Thursday Walking Group / 2:30 p.m. / Meadowbrook Park
UU Happy Hour / 5:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.
Reflective Writing Chalice Circle / 7:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m. / Zoom

Friday, April 28
Older Men's Discussion Group / 10:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m. / Contact Dave Sharpe at dmsharpe13@gmail.com to confirm meeting location
YRUU Potluck and Late Night / 6:30 p.m. – 9:30 p.m.

Saturday, April 29
Parent's Support Group / 9:30 a.m. - 10:30 a.m. / Zoom
Weekly Outdoor Meditation / 2:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m. / U of I Arboretum

Calendar

Announcements

The community risk level in Champaign County is **LOW**. That means mask use is based on personal preference and risk assessment. Eating or drinking are permitted in the building, including in-person Fellowship Hour. Read the UUCUC COVID Safety Guidelines (tinyurl.com/yd2v9697) for more details.

The Book & Magazine Exchange is Today!: Stop by the designated table in Fellowship Hall after the service today. Pick up a magazine or book that interests you. The Book & Magazine Exchanges will take place once a month most months of the year. Unused books will be donated to the Urbana Free Library & Books To Prisoners. Unused magazines will be recycled.

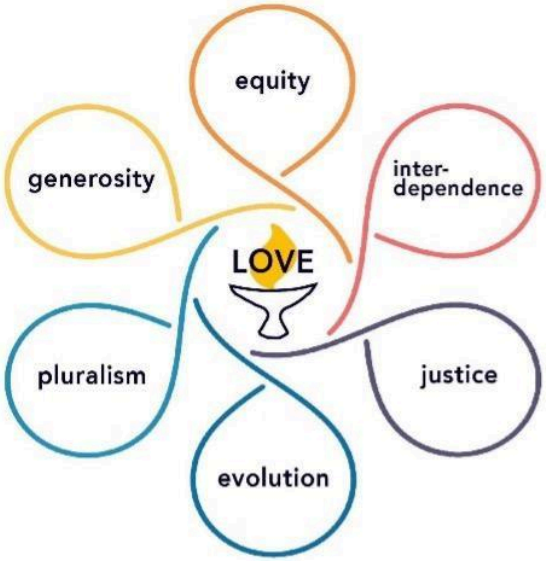
Looking For A Few Good People: Our church values lifelong faith formation for children, youth, and adults through the Religious Exploration & Engagement program. Volunteers are an important part of making intentional learning experiences happen, both within and beyond the classroom walls. We invite you to consider how you might deepen your own spiritual journey by serving as part of our Religious Exploration & Engagement program. We are building our volunteer pool for next year. Whether you are able to help regularly, visit to share a special passion, or lend a hand behind the scenes, we value the opportunity to find a way for you to be involved.

Download our new 'UUCUC' App! Use the QR codes below for your specific device to download!

Google Play

iOS App Store

Understanding Article II



Are you familiar with Article II revision process? Would you like to know how the current revision was arrived at? If you want to know how you can be involved with Article II going forward, and what will be happening at General Assembly 2023; you are invited to join Rev. Sunshine Wolfe and leaders from the Greater Pittsburgh areas as they answer questions related to the Article II revision process. Article II includes several sections including our current UU Principles and Sources. After time for information and Q&A, participants will have space to communicate with one another about Article II and what it might mean for their congregations and communities. Please join the UUA online on April 29th 9-11 am central time to be a part of the conversation. You may also download the Article II Study Report which also details the recommended changes. For questions or assistance, please contact Becky Densmore (chair@uucuc.org)

Pathway to Membership – May 6th

PATHWAY TO MEMBERSHIP

Newcomers and visitors are invited to gather in-person to tour through UUCUC, share a meal, get to know others new to the community, and learn about what it means to get connected to this congregation.

If you're new to UUCUC, thinking about joining, or just wondering how your own unique path might fit into this faith community, you can register here to participate in this one day "Pathway to Membership" class on Saturday May 6th.

Scan the QR code below to register!