

July 24, 2020



Kansas sunflowers
Remind me of my sister
Faces toward the sun *Jane*

UUCOD Weekly Reminder

SERVICES

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July 26, 2020

Widening the Circle of Concern, Part Two

Worship Leader: Rev. Donald Stouder

Worship Associate: Bryna Blum

Several weeks ago, the UUA released a document that will drive the direction and focus of our religious denomination for decades to come. In this second of a three-sermon series, Rev Don will help us understand “Widening the Circle of Concern; Report of the UUA Commission on Institutional Change”. Join us as we talk about what a “radical universalism” might look like. Links to the document are here: <https://www.uua.org/uuagovernance/committees/cic/widening>

August 2, 2020

Bread Not Stone

Worship Leader: Rev. Ian Riddell

Worship Associate: Joni Paddock

Even though we are separated from each other, the community we build daily sustains us and brings us possibility. What can we learn about crafting that community from Ursula Le Guin, M. Scott Peck, and knitting socks?

In a series of sermons Rev. Dr. Don Stouder will introduce to us the results from a UUA Commission to research and study the UUA itself. This is an important document. You are encouraged to watch, listen and consider the information. The full document (Widening the Circle of Concern) is available on the UUA website.

CALENDAR July 24 - 31

Meetings

Worship Committee: Tuesday @ 4:30 pm

Afternoon Book Club: Friday @ 1:30 pm

Staying Connected

Sunday Together: Sunday @ 11:00 am - 12:00 pm

Loving Kindness Meditation: Thursday @ 12:00 - 12:30 pm

Coffee & Conversation: Friday @ 11:00 am - 12:00 pm

Social BUUterflies Happy Hour: Saturday @ 5:00 - 6:00 pm

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Sunday Together

Coffee & Conversation:

Social BUUterflies Happy Hour:

Loving Kindness Meditation:

Upcoming Events

Afternoon Book Club: Friday, July 31 @ 1:30 pm

We are exploring the topic of Systemic Racism and Black Lives Matter. We have agreed that it is a very broad subject with many adjunct topics. We are not recommending one book; we suggest that each of us research relevant books and make personal choices. Two books that have been considered are "*I'm Still Here: Black Dignity in a World Made for Whiteness*" by Austin Channing Brown and "*Rising Out of Hatred: The Awakening of a Former White Nationalist*" by Eli Saslow.

Do your research and join us. The New York Times, The Harvard Gazette, and most all major newspapers have published a list of books dealing with understanding and dismantling racism. The ACLU also has an excellent list of suggested summer reading.

All are welcome. NO exceptions. We will be discussing books we've read on racism.

Contact Lavonne Swanson at Imswanson44@gmail.com or 612-824-5528 to get details for joining the discussion.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Plate Collections for Sunday, July 19: \$1,133.17. \$566.48 will be sent to Los Médicos Voladores as part of our Share the Plate program.

News from the Care Team:

In these confusing and exhausting times, please know your Care Team is here for you. Anyone in need of support, please reach out to either Margaret Beaman or Bryna Blum. They are on call for July and August and, care about what you need to share.... Their information can be found in the UU Directory.

Take care,
Bryna

Zoom Scheduling Reminder:

Email Katy Faas (katyfaas@hotmail.com) to edit a current meeting or schedule a new Zoom Meeting.

AUCTION 2020

Not even the Covid Virus can stop the annual UUCOD auction! Plans are being made to hold the live auction via zoom (similar to the annual congregational meeting in May) on Saturday, November 14 at 6:00 pm.

Kinks are still being worked out on how to hold a silent auction. I will keep you posted on progress on that front.

In the meantime it is not too early to start thinking of possible auction donations in this unusual time. Ideas- A chili (lasagna, tamale, stew, etc.) dinner delivered to winner's home, sweets (pies, cookies, cakes, etc.) delivered to winner's home, intimate dinner parties allowing for social distancing, wine baskets, use of vacation homes, stay at home activities. If you happen to come up with additional donation possibilities (or any other auction questions) please email Carol Lavoie at mclavoie@aol.com and I will list suggestions in later newsletters.

Be Safe and Well!

Newsletter Deadlines: The deadline for the Newsletter is always Wednesday morning. If you are going to be late, call or email the Administrator at admin@uucod.org asking to reserve space. The newsletter needs to be on the website by 3:00 pm, Fridays.

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