

January 13, 2019

The Week Ahead

Sunday, January 13

9:15am UUFN Bistro (OB) 9:15-10:15am

10:30am Worship & Religious Education

11:45am Second Sunday Potluck (M) 11:45am-1pm

12:00pm Winter Congregational Meeting (M) 12-1:30pm

Monday, January 14

7:00pm Yoga with Dona Zingaro (W) 7-8pm

Tuesday, January 15

12:30pm Ladies Lunch Bunch (Offsite) 12:30pm

6:00pm Ukulele Group (OB) 6-7:30pm

Wednesday, January 16

9:00am Panera Coffee Group

6:30pm Zen Meditation (TP) 6:30-8:15p

Friday, January 18

7:15pm Book Bums (Off Site)

8:00pm Brandywine Friends of Old Time Music (M) 8-10pm

Saturday, January 19

9:00am Women's March 2019 (All Campus) 9am-3pm

Sunday, January 20

9:15am 2019 Ethnic Cultural Heritage Celebration planning meeting (F) (9:15-10:15am)

9:15am Finance Committee (B) 9:15 - 10:15 am

9:15am UUFN Bistro (OB) 9:15-10:15am

10:30am Worship & Religious Education

11:45am Long Range Planning committee action plan update (OB) 11:45-12:45

12:00pm Youth Group Parent Meeting (OB) 12-1pm

Next Week: January 20, 2019 –

Confronting Our Implicit Bias

Presented by: Rev. Paula Maiorano

All humans have unconscious bias, often referred to as implicit bias.

The ability to rapidly categorize friend or foe helped early humans survive. Unfortunately, today they often are the foundation of stereotypes, prejudices, and a multitude of isms, including racism. In this MLK Jr Sunday service, Rev. Maiorano explores how we can identify and change our hidden biases to become more fully aware and connected human beings.

Sunday fellowship begins at **10:30am**

The MINISTER is AVAILABLE when needed:

Please feel free to contact me at minister@uufn.org or leave a message for me at UUFN. With caring regard, **Rev. Paula Maiorano**

70 1/2+? Happy New Year! (And many more!)

If you have a qualified IRA and think you may want to take advantage of qualified charitable distribution's (QCD) to achieve tax-free required minimum distribution's (RMD) you should evaluate this option before you start making withdrawals from your IRAs this year. Once you have taken it out of your IRA, unless you have handled it in the proper way, you will have to pay taxes on it. You can't put it back! Always consult your IRA custodian and tax and financial advisors to see if you are eligible and it is a good move for you. More information about using this will be available in the February Connections newsletter and on the website (soon). Or contact stewardship@uufn.org.

The Ladies Lunch will be January 15, 2019 at 12:30 PM at Caffè Gelato on Main Street Newark. Please contact Barb at ladieslunch@UUFN.org for reservations.

Join Our Book Club — The Book Bums – Meetings are held the third Friday of each month at **7:15 pm** at the home of UUFN member, Udda Anderson. We gather to discuss a book that a member has suggested. Next meeting is **Jan 18, 2019** – The book is ***Bad Blood: Secrets and Lies in a Silicon Valley Startup*** by *John Carreron* (non-fiction)

For more information, contact Udda directly or ask the UUFN Office to put you in touch, email officeadmin@uufn.org or call 302.368.2984 during office hours.

JOIN THE DELAWARE'S WOMEN'S MARCH on Saturday, **Jan. 19, beginning at 9 AM** in the UUFN parking lot. Rallies will include Rep. Valerie Longhurst, prime sponsor of the Delaware ERA (HB1); US Rep. Lisa Blunt Rochester; and Bethany Hall-Long, Delaware's newly elected Attorney General. For more information, see Karen Barker or Liz Carlisle.

Open Chalice Circle scheduled, Mon. 1/28/2019, 7-9pm.

The theme is Possibility. Please send RSVPs by 5pm, Sun. 1/25 to chalicecircles@uufn.org. If you come without RSVPing, please be sure to be on time.

Guest at Your Table Boxes Due

Please return your boxes ASAP. You can bring in the box of coins or make out a check. This year's proceeds will be sent to the UUSC to assist immigrants and refugees. Please see Julia van der Veur with any questions.

Share the Plate Recipient for January—Project New Start

Project New Start is a re-entry program for Delaware men and women transitioning out of state and federal prisons. Participants spend 10 weeks together learning cognitive behavioral change, parenting, financial literacy, conflict resolution and technology training. Working in partnership with a wide variety of local organizations, the program has proven highly effective: more than 90% of New Start graduates are placed in jobs and their rate of recidivism (return to prison) is less than 30%, a stark contrast to Delaware's average recidivism rate of 76%. For more information visit www.project-new-start.org.

What's the Board doing? How do I get (or stay) informed? Here's how. Join us!!! Board meetings are held the 2nd Wednesdays of each month at **7pm**. The next meeting is: **Save These Dates!!!**

Next Date: February 10 - noon - Lay Leaders Meeting

April 7 – 9:15am – Lay Leaders meeting

May 5 – noon – Annual Meeting

Save the Date: 2/16/19 for a Restorative Practices Workshop 9:30-2:00 - a way to live our Principles and Covenant of Right Relations.

Kecia McMillian will lead the first of a series of training workshops for Restorative Practices as a way to live our Principles and Covenant of Right Relations.

White Christmas - *Did Santa bring you some BIG stuff?*

Bring the Styrofoam packing and old electronics to UUFN for recycle. December and January are the months for this event. Next recycle "special event" will be printer cartridge recycle. Save them and we will turn them in for credit and use the money for RE and the office.

Battery and Light Bulb Recycle - We are completing the campaign to recycle batteries and light bulbs. UUFN turned in about 72 pounds of batteries and about four bushels of light bulbs. This keeps corrosive and toxic materials out of the landfill where they would be a hazard to future generations, and provides some ingredients to make new. We can recycle those materials for you, or show you how to do it yourself.

Suitcase Recycle - Do you have suitcases you no longer want or need? We are collecting suitcases for a youth facility in Pa. We will collect suitcases, any size or description, including backpacks, including ones needing repair. Kathy Potter will take them in for distribution. - **Green Sanctuary**

Need to submit an article? If you need to announce anything in the Order of Service, The Weekly UUpdate, The Monthly Connections, or the UUFN Website just go to <http://UUFN.org/willa> and fill out the form! There's even a space to load up an image!

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