



Unitarian Universalist Fellowship of Newark

A community of spiritual seekers inspired to promote a just and compassionate world

UUpdate February 21, 2020

The Week Ahead

Sunday, February 23

- 9:15am UUFN Bistro (OB) 9:15-10:15am
- 10:30am Worship & Religious Education
- 11:30am Greta's Friends Program (W) 11:30-12:30pm
- 11:45am Social Justice Committee Mtg (OB) 11:45-12:45am
- 12:00pm Building Your Own Theology (B) 12-2pm

Monday, February 24

- 7:00pm Open Chalice Circle (OB) 7-9pm
- 7:00pm Yoga with Dona Zingaro (W) 7-8pm

Friday, February 21

- 6:00pm Parent's Night Out (RE event) (W) 6-9pm
- 7:15pm Book Bums (Off Site)

Tuesday, February 25

- 10:00am Treasurer & Bookkeeper Office Hour (office) 10-11am
- 6:00pm Newark Ukesters extra rehearsal (W) 6-7:30pm

Wednesday, February 26

- 9:00am Panera Coffee Group
- 6:30pm Young Adult Mtg (offsite) 6:30-8:30pm
- 6:30pm Zen Meditation (TP) 6:30-8:15p
- 6:30pm Newcomer & Membership Team mtg (B) 6:30-8pm

Thursday, February 27

- 9:00am Hope Dining Room(offsite)9-1p
- 6:00pm Choir Practice (M) 6-7:15pm

Friday, February 28

- 1:00pm 4th Friday Chalice Circle (OB) 1-3pm
- 6:00pm 4th Friday Game Night (M-as available) 6-9pm

Sunday, March 1

9:15am	UUFN Bistro (OB) 9:15-10:15am
10:30am	Worship & Religious Education
11:45am	RE Cmt Mtg (B) 11:45-1:00pm
12:00pm	Ethnic Heritage Event Planning (OB) 12-12:30pm
4:30pm	Youth Group (OB) 4:30-6pm

Learn more at <http://uufn.org/calendar/>!

UUFN **choir** practice is **Thursdays, 6:45 PM to 7:45 PM**
Newcomers to the choir welcome! **Sing with us!**

Upcoming Services

February 23 - Living Our Values

Rev. Don Garrett

We'll begin our Stewardship season with an exploration of some of the ways we express our values through our living.

March 1 - The Politics of Joy

John Pesek

Hubert Humphrey was a 20th Century liberal US Senator who was known as "The Happy Warrior". He joyfully fought for the causes he believed in regardless of the odds. In this service we will discuss that aspect of his life and how he came to achieve it. More importantly we will discuss happy warriors in our current day and how you might also be a happy warrior.

Month of February Share the plate

The mission of [NAACP of Newark DE](#) is to ensure the political, educational, social and economic equality of all persons and to eliminate race-based discrimination.

NAACP Newark Branch Membership Drive!

During the month of February, the Social Justice team will have a table during coffee hour for UUFN'ers to become members of our local NAACP. Support civil rights work right here in Newark!! Your membership dollars go a long way – Interfaith Worship, Food distributions, educational programs, and more. Annual membership is only \$30.

Religious Education Notes

Young Adult (18-35) Meeting

Wednesday, Feb 26th 6:30p-8:30p

meet at the Newark Coop Cafe

Looking Ahead

Lay Leaders Council meeting

March 8th--right after the potluck lunch.

Come learn about what's new and upcoming. Topics will include our budget process, long range plan implementation, and much more. This is a structured way for all committee and teams to talk to and learn from each other. We are all Lay Leaders!

Workshop on Adopting the Eighth Principle

Saturday, March 21, 2020 from 9:30am-2:30pm

As a step toward the UUFN considering adoption of the 8th

Principle there will be a workshop on Saturday, 03/21/2020 from 9:30am-2:30pm led by Kecia McMillian. To RSVP or ask questions please contact John Pesek at pesek@udel.edu.

As a result of a hiring controversy over a high level position in the UUA an 8th Principle has been proposed for adoption by the UUA which reads as:

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

Along with working to have the UUA adopt the principle, the proposers are asking the member congregations to adopt* the principle themselves.

*The procedure for adopting a principle or other position is laid out on our website www.uufn.org. To see it, open the [Justice Menu and click on Taking a Stand](#).

Leadership — It is for You!

Feed your soul AND your body AND the UUFN all at once! Leadership Development Committee is sponsoring a lovely, **catered luncheon on March 29th** for folks interested in finding out what it's like to lead at UUFN. Hear what board meetings are like first hand! You will also learn what the responsibilities are for communication with our congregation. Board members will

be there to answer your questions and share their experiences. Childcare will be provided. Please **register by March 7** by email to jeff.ramberg@gmail.com.

Put these dates on your calendar!

Major meetings for the remainder of the church year--

March 8th - Lay Leaders Council meeting - inform yourself about what's new and upcoming with committees and teams at the UUFN - all are welcome!

March 19th - Pledge-Palooza - come celebrate our financial support of the UUFN with a fun-filled evening!

May 17th - Spring Congregational Meeting - exercise your rights and fulfill your responsibility to vote on budget and new board positions at this important meeting.

Contact Programs@UUFN.org for more information!

Rachael Coffey, Program Coordinator

Open Chalice Circle - Mon. Feb. 24 7-9pm - "Resilience"

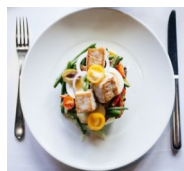
Chalice Circles are a great way to foster spiritual growth as well as an opportunity to get to know people at a very deep level in a very short period of time. All circles run under a covenant that includes confidentiality, uninterrupted listening and respect for all points of view. If you did not sign up for a Chalice Circle this year but are interested in attending one on an either regular or

irregular basis, please consider attending an Open Chalice Circle. To RSVP, please send mail to chalicecircles@uufn.org and you will be sent the materials for that month's theme. You are also welcome to come without RSVPing, but in that case, please be sure to be on time. All open circles meet Monday evenings from 7 to 9. The dates and themes are:

Open Chalice Circle Schedule

Date	Theme
March 23, 2020	Wisdom
April 27, 2020	Liberation
May 18, 2020	Threshold
June 15, 2020	Play

UUFN Lunch Bunch will meet at The Discover Café at the Food Bank of Delaware at noon on **March 17**. More info in March UUFN CONNECTIONS newsletter.



Stop the Bleed

The **Safety Committee** is sponsoring, hands-on educational programs, on Stop-the-Bleed, presented by a member of the Delaware Medical Reserve Corp on **Thursday evening, 6 p.m. on April 2nd, and Saturday, April 4th at 9 a.m.**

Each program is two hours long, with food provided at each event starting 30 minutes prior to each presentation.

The program is a national effort, initiated by the U.S.

Department of Homeland Security, to prepare lay persons to provide assistance to those having bleeding crises until first

responders arrive. Please save a date on your calendar, should you wish to attend. A sign-up sheet will be collected in March after service, to enable the Safety Committee to plan appropriately. Barbara Ward spotward89@comcast.net (302) 367-5768

Need New member for Leadership Development Committee

The Leadership Development Committee is looking for a new member. It's a two year term beginning in July to develop, assist, and recruit leaders for our congregation. Join Jeff Ramberg, Deb Morris, Karen Barker, and Ingrid Landers Anderson in furthering this process. We meet once a month. Contact Deb Morris at 443-907-2246 or morrisd@udel.edu.

Labyrinth Team Helpers!

Walking the labyrinth is a lovely way to relax, meditate and find peace. Would you like to help? Being a member of the Labyrinth Guild means that you are willing to help set up, host and/or take down the UUFN Labyrinth at least once per year. Contact Karen Barker or email labyrinth@uufn.org for more information or to join the Labyrinth Guild.

Property Committee

Help Wanted While there have been two congregational gatherings to address the needs of the fellowship, there are still several items to be done. Is there one that you can do or help with? If so, please email property@uufn.org with your info and Property will contact you.

- 1) Shampoo carpets in various areas
- 2) Mackinnon Kitchen stripped & polished
- 3) Recarpeting & replacing vinyl planking
- 4) Replace 1 pathway light near Fellowship Hall

Scope of work, tools & schedule to be discussed via email or direct communication.)

Property is also seeking a volunteer willing to assist with documenting, filing board reports and taking Property meeting minutes (available Wednesday nights, bi-monthly). Please reach out; we would be happy to hear from you. property@uufn.org

UUA General Assembly 2020

UUA GA Providence, RI | June 24-28, 2020

General Assembly (GA) is an unforgettable experience for thousands of Unitarian Universalists and partners, who leave with a renewed sense of energy, inspiration, and innovative ideas to take back to their congregations and communities. GA is powerful, because of the ways we connect with each other and share our values. There we will worship, learn, witness, and make decisions together.

Registration is now open at uua.org/ga. Full-time registration is now \$400 for adults, \$240 for high school youth, and \$150 for off-site registrants. Register by March 15 for the lowest rate. Rates will increase on March 16 and again on May 1.

The UUA is committed to the goal of making GA accessible to as many attendees as possible. Go to uua.org/ga to learn about scholarships to support participation, particularly of those from

marginalized groups and volunteer opportunities (work in exchange for registration).

Pre-General Assembly Timeline:

Date	Time	Action/event
Friday, November 01, 2019		GA Registration opens
Saturday, February 01, 2020	5:00 PM	Congregatiton certification closes
Saturday, February 29, 2020		Early-bird payment due
Monday, March 02, 2020	9:00 AM	Housing applications open
Monday, March 02, 2020		Scholarship applications open
Monday, March 02, 2020		Volunteer applications open
Sunday, March 15, 2020		Early-bird registration closes (\$400/adult)
Monday, March 16, 2020		Early registration opens (\$500/adult)
Tuesday, March 31, 2020		Scholarship applications close
Tuesday, March 31, 2020		Volunteer applications close
Saturday, April 25, 2020		Scholarship application notifications mailed
Saturday, April 25, 2020		Volunteer application notifications mailed
Thursday, April 30, 2020		Early registration closes
Friday, May 01, 2020		Registration opens (\$525/adult)
Wednesday, June 24, 2020	12:00 PM	Congregations begin gathering