



# Unitarian Universalist Fellowship of Newark

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

## UUpdate – April 24, 2020

### The Week Ahead

#### **Friday, April 24**

- 1:00pm 4th Friday Chalice Circle (OB) 1-3pm (ZOOM?)
- 6:00pm (Cancelled) BFOM (M)(B) 8-10pm (set up 6pm)
- 7:00pm (Temporarily Cancelled) 4th Friday Game Night
- 8:00pm RE Parent Drop-in (Zoom) 8pm

#### **Saturday, April 25**

- 9:30am UU101 POSTPONED (M&F) 9:30am-1:30pm
- 11:00am Social Justice Committee Mtg (ZOOM) 11:00-12pm
- 3:30pm RE Upper Elem (Zoom) 3:30-4:20pm

#### **Sunday, April 26**

- 9:15am UUFN Bistro (Zoom) 10-10:30am
- 10:30am ZOOM Worship
- 11:30am (Cancelled) Greta's Friends Program (Wa&b)
- 12:00pm Building Your Own Theology (Zoom) 12-2pm
- 12:00pm Ethnic Heritage Event Planning - Rescheduled for Sat  
April 25 Social Justice meeting-

#### **Monday, April 27**

- 1:00pm Personnel Committee Mtg (B) 1-3pm
- 7:00pm Open Chalice Circle (OB) 7-9pm
- 7:00pm (Temporarily Cancelled) Yoga with Dona Zingaro
- 7:00pm Youth Group (Zoom) 7-8pm

#### **Tuesday, April 28**

- 10:00am (Cancelled) Treasurer & Bookkeeper Office Hour
- 11:15am RE Chalice Children (Zoom) 11:15-11:45am
- 1:00pm UUFN Lunch Bunch (ZOOM)

#### **Wednesday, April 29**

- 9:00am (Tempo Cancelled) Panera Coffee Group

5:00pm RE Lower Elem (Zoom) 5-5:40pm  
6:30pm Zen Meditation (ZOOM) 6:30-8:15p  
7:30pm Young Adults (Zoom) 7:30pm

### **Thursday, April 30**

11:15am RE Chalice Children (Zoom) 11:15-11:45am  
6:00pm (Cancelled) BFOM (M) 6-10pm

### **Friday, May 1**

8:00pm RE Parent Drop-in (Zoom) 8pm

### **Saturday, May 2**

3:30pm RE Upper Elem (Zoom) 3:30-4:20pm  
5:30pm Annual Service Auction - POSTPONED

### **Sunday, May 3**

9:15am UUFN Bistro (Zoom) 10-10:30am  
10:30am ZOOM Worship  
1:00pm RE Cmt Mtg (ZOOM) 1:00pm  
7:30pm Womansing (Zoom) 7:30-9pm

## **UUFN Sunday Service**

**ZOOM SERVICE at 10:30am**

***Please mail in your pledge card if you have not done so. Mail is checked often. Mail to: UUFN 420 WILLA ROAD, NEWARK DE, 19711***

9:30 am Bistro (greet each other over coffee)  
10:30 am Worship Service: Please arrive early.  
11:30 am Breakout Rooms for coffee and conversation

## **UUFN Sunday Worship - April 26, 2020 10:30 AM**

**Presented by Rev Don Garrett**

### **"UU's and Buddhism"**

Unitarians have had a love affair with Buddhism ever since the Transcendentalists discovered it. We'll take a look at the history of that affair and why it's still relevant today.

**Worship Associate:** John Pesek  
**Zoom Host / Technical Monitor:** Gary Jackoway

**Zoom Tech Help:** Glen Schmiesing for Technical  
Support [worship@uufn.org](mailto:worship@uufn.org)

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OUR OFFERTORY!

**Join Zoom Meeting**  
**Omitted**

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**[Share the Plate](#) - Delaware Interfaith Power & Light**  
**[Delaware Interfaith Power & Light](#)** was founded in 2011 as a chapter of Interfaith Power & Light, a National non- profit organization, promoting energy conservation, energy efficiency and renewable energy to combat climate change.

This year marks the 50th anniversary of Earth Day

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**Religious Education Update**

This week in RE

**Monday 5:30 Parent check-in - New Day and Time!**

Monday 7pm Youth check-in

Tuesday 10:15a Chalice Children - New Time!

Wednesday 5p - Children's Chapel with Don

Wednesday 7:30p Young Adult check-in

Thursday 11:15 Chalice Children

**Check the Facebook page for updates. Contact Andrea @dre@uufn.org to request an invite to desired zoom meetings.**

## **HELPING HANDS Is Here for You - COVID-19 Update**

During this time of coronavirus-related shutdowns and social distancing, UUFN's Helping Hands Team remains active and ready to help in a number of ways:

- Find resources to obtain groceries if you're unable to do so yourself, or assist you with online grocery orders.
- Deliver meals (as Helping Hands normally does)
- Support you in getting tested for COVID-19.
- Help you find Telehealth services if you're ill.
- Pick up and deliver medicine and other essentials.
- Connect you to food, testing, financial, mental health, and other resources you might need.

Rest assured that all requests are kept in complete confidence. You decide who knows what when. Please call Emily van Vlack at 302 893-3493 if you need help. Or send an e-mail to [helpinghands@uufn.org](mailto:helpinghands@uufn.org).

## **Board News**

**Board of Directors Transition.** Board Member at Large Anne Green has resigned from the Board, in anticipation of her upcoming move. Thank you so much Anne for all you have done for UUFN. The Board has appointed Peter Hartranft to the Board to finish the remainder of Anne's term, through June 30, 2020. Thank you Peter for your willingness to serve.

**2020/2021 Budget.** Your Board and Finance Committee are busy planning for our next fiscal year. For the remainder of this 2019/2020 fiscal year, we anticipate reduced Share the Plate contributions and the loss of the \$18,000 planned income from the spring auction. We continue to pay our staff (our biggest expense). Based on today's information, with over 30 members not yet pledging, we have to anticipate reduced pledge income, in addition to reduced Share the Plate income, as we create the budget.

Please, if you are going to pledge this year (and it is a requirement for all members), **please pledge now.** We need to know how much income to expect for next year – this will greatly impact our plans for the future. And if you are able, and you haven't increased your pledge in a few years, this might be the year to do so. It would be greatly appreciated.

You can Pledge online at [uufn.org/pledge-page](https://uufn.org/pledge-page), email [stewardship@uufn.org](mailto:stewardship@uufn.org), or mail in your pledge to the UUFN.

*Thank you, from Carol Boncelet, Board President.*

**In case you need the link....**

[Pledge Form](#)

## **NEW FACEBOOK COMMUNITY PAGE!**

Check out our new page on Facebook. It is a closed group but you can request admittance by searching for UUFN Community, requesting to join, and then agreeing to our community agreements. This is a private, moderated space that will allow us to keep in touch informally and advertise our activities among ourselves. Special thanks to Liza Grant for helping to set up this space for us.

## **UPCOMING EVENTS**

Wednesday, April 29th 5pm Children's Chapel - all welcome  
Please know that your UUFN family is here for you whether you need physical help or just a person to talk to. Reach out to me, Don, pastoral care or helping hands at any time. Meanwhile, let's support each other the best we can. Be Well, Andrea

## **Calendar Reservations for Zoom Meetings**

UUFN is utilizing a Zoom subscription to meet online for committee/team meetings, etc. If you would like to schedule a Zoom meeting please fill out our normal calendar request and check ZOOM in the room request. The instructions for how to host a Zoom meeting *using the UUFN subscription* will be

shared with you. **Glen Schmiesing** is available for Zoom tech help. Please contact him via [Treasurer@UUFN.org](mailto:Treasurer@UUFN.org).

## **Open Chalice Circle, Monday, April 27, 7 - 9pm** **“Liberation” via Zoom**

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](mailto:chalicecircles@uufn.org) and you will be sent the materials for that month's theme, and a **Zoom Invitation**. All circles meet Monday evenings from 7 to 9.

**Future Meetings:** May 18 - Threshold; June 15 - Compassion

**Social Justice**

**Yes, the Social Justice Team is meeting!** Join us via Zoom on Saturday , April 26th at 11 AM. There is much to catch up on. Contact [socialjustice@uufn.org](mailto:socialjustice@uufn.org) if you'd like to participate and we'll send you the Zoom log-in.

*Breathe...*

