

Unitarian Universalist Fellowship of Newark

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

UUpdate – May 1, 2020

The Week Ahead

Showing events after 5/1. Look for earlier events

Saturday, May 2

5:30pm POSTPONED Annual Service Auction (Campus)

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

Monday, May 4

6:30am Leadership Devel Cmt (Zoom) 6:30-7:30pm

5:30pm RE Parent Drop-in (Zoom) 8pm

7:00pm (Temporarily Cancelled) Yoga with Dona Zingaro

7:30pm Youth Group (Zoom) 7:30-8pm

Tuesday, May 5

10:00am (Cancelled)Treasurer & Bookkeeper Office Hour (office)

10:30am RE Chalice Children (Zoom) 11:15-11:45am

1:00pm UUFN Lunch Bunch (ZOOM)

5:30pm Worship Team meeting (ZOOM) Host:Gary Jackoway

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

Wednesday, May 6

9:00am (Tempo Cancelled) Panera Coffee Group 4:15pm Minister SRST meeting (ZOOM)4:30-6pm 5:00pm RE Elem Greta's Friends (Zoom) 5-5:40pm

5:30pm Security Team mtg (Zoom) 5:30pm 6:30pm Zen Meditation (ZOOM) 6:30-8:15p

Thursday, May 7

10:30am RE Chalice Children (Zoom) 11:15-11:45am

UUFN Sunday Service

Members must PLEDGE NOW

so our **Finance Committee can set our budget** for next year! Members **vote on budget at June 14** Congregational Meeting .

Pledge Form

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 - May 3, 2020 10:30 AM Presented by Karen Barker and Nancy Plummer "Beltane"

Beltane is the anglicized name for the Gaelic May Day festival, celebrated about halfway between the spring equinox and the summer solstice. We will call the directions, wearing Beltane crowns, tell you how to celebrate, receive a Beltane message, a special meditation and seasonal music.

Come Celebrate with us! Blessed BE!

Worship Associate: Celeste Hall **Zoom Tech Help:** Gary Jackoway

BE PREPARED TO GIVE DURING OUR OFFERTORY!

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Share the Plate for May: Food Bank of DE

When you donate to **Food Bank of DE**, \$1.00 = 3 meals They also help people apply for SNAP benefits, help Seniors and college students with food insecurity.

DE FOOD WORKS prepares people for employment in food service and logistics warehouse industries.

For school age children there are the BACKPACK and SCHOOL PANTRY programs.

Donate

Religious Education Update

This week in RE

Monday 5:30pm Parent checkin

Monday 7:30 Youth Group - New Time!!

Tuesday 10:15am Chalice Children Wednesday 5pm Greta's Friends

Thursday 11:15am 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.

Open Chalice Circle, Monday, May 18, 2020 7 - 9pm "Threshold" via Zoom

Chalice Circles are a great way to further spiritual growth as well as to connect with others at a very deep level in a very short period of time. There will be an Open Chalice Circle, Monday, May 18, 2020, from 7 to 9 pm. The theme for May is Threshold. All are welcome. Please RSVP at chalicecircles@uufn.org by 5 pm, Sunday, May 17 and you will be sent the materials as well as a Zoom invitation closer to the Circle. If you have questions, please contact us at chalicecircles@uufn.org. All circles meet Monday evenings from 7 to 9.

Future Meeting: June 15 - Compassion

Board News

Board of Directors Transition. Board Member at Large Anne Green has resigned from the Board, in anticipation of her move this week. 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 <u>uufn.org/pledge-page</u>, email <u>stewardship@uufn.org</u>, 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.

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 <u>Treasurer@UUFN.org</u>.**

Love...



