



Unitarian Universalist Fellowship of Newark

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

UUUpdate July 26, 2019

The Week Ahead

Friday, July 26

6:00pm 4th Friday Game Night (M-as available) 6-9pm

Saturday, July 27

8:00am First Aid and CPR training (M,F) 8-11:30am

Sunday, July 28

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

10:30am Worship & Religious Education

11:45am Social Justice Committee Mtg (OB) 11:45-12:45am

Monday, July 29

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

Wednesday, July 31

9:00am Panera Coffee Group

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

Sunday, August 4

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

10:30am Worship & Religious Education

12:00pm RE Committee Meeting

Upcoming Services

July 28: The Past is Never Past

Presented by: Gary Jackoway

William Faulkner wrote, "The past is never dead; it's not even past." Gary will speak about how the past affects our present and future, both individually, as a society and as a religion.



****August is Bring-a-Friend Month****

August 4, 2019: What is Religion and Why Bother?

Presented by: Rev. Dave Hunter

An increasing percentage of our population is turning their backs on religion, including many of those brought up as UUs. If we don't believe in a God who expects – even requires – our worship, if we're not worried about the possibility of hell when we die, what's left?

August 11, 2019: Lammas – First Harvest of the Celtic Wheel Presented by Karen Barker & Nancy Plummer.

Lammas is a holiday celebrated between 1 August & 1 September. It's a festival to mark the wheat harvest, and is the first harvest festival of the year. Lammas is the cross quarter of the Celtic Wheel, which is midway from the Summer Solstice and the Fall Equinox. Rituals, readings, meditations, singing.

Sunday September 22 potluck luncheon with Adams Cassinga.

Adams Cassinga from ConserveCongo will be talking with our RE group about efforts to combat wild game poaching in the Democratic Republic of Congo. We are planning a potluck luncheon following service to give the adults a chance to hear him too, but **still need help with organizing**, as well as set up and cleanup. Contact Lori Athey for more information and to help:

loriguidedpath@verizon.net

July's Share the Plate Recipient : The Inn Project

The Inn Project is a volunteer-run initiative that helps asylum-seeking and refugee families who are coming out of detention at the southwest border to reconnect with their loved ones from across the country. The project was initiated in 2016 by two United Methodist churches in Arizona at the request of ICE to provide shelter for these vulnerable families, most of whom are fleeing Central America. Since then, other area churches have answered the call, helping to provide meals, hygiene and bedding necessities, warm clothing, and other miscellaneous travel needs. When contact with the refugee's extended family is secured, churches coordinate

transportation so they may join their families. Our thanks to Barbara Gates, who volunteers for the project through her Tucson UU church, for bringing this important initiative to our attention. More information is at www.theinnumc.org.

Saturday, August 24, 9am-1pm ALICE (Alert, Lockdown, Inform, Counter, Evacuate) TRAINING

UUFN has been granted an opportunity to receive FREE ALICE training from the City of Newark Police Department on Saturday, August 24, 9am-1pm (4hours). <https://www.alicetraining.com/> states: The “classes provide preparation and a plan for individuals and organizations on how to more proactively handle the threat of an aggressive intruder or active shooter event.” Space is limited: Please RSVP to Leidy Guerrero at officeadmin@uufn.org



Old Electronics needed– It's time for our annual RE Take-Apart-Party on August 11th! Please bring your old electronics. We are collecting electronics in a box outside of the Walden Lounge. Thank you.

Open Chalice Circle, Mon. Aug. 12, 7-9pm – The theme for this open chalice circle is Sanctuary (originally used in October of 2018). Please RSVP John Pesek by 5pm Sunday, August 11, 2019. If you come without RSVPing, please be sure to be on time.

Coatroom Cleanout Tues. Sept 3 –at **1:30pm** the Coatroom will be cleaned out to prepare for Ingathering. **Please be sure to take a look and either take anything you wish to keep or explain why it should stay in the room.** Several articles of clothing as well as an umbrella and a rather nice container for deviled eggs have been left there. Photos of them can be found in a recent email blast. Please take a look to see if they might belong to you or a friend. Questions: Contact John Pesek (pesek@udel.edu)

Social Justice Events

Join the YWCA's Dialogue-to-Action conversation on White Privilege. These one-time facilitated conversations will provide a strong foundation for the Y's fall series on white privilege. **Register** at www.ywcade.org/white-privilege for one of these dates: June 26, July 17, **Aug. 15 from 6-8:30 pm**; or **Aug. 25 from 2-4:30 pm**. Locations vary—the Aug. 25 conversation is at UUFN.

Get ready for Peace Week Delaware, Sept. 21-28.

Kickoff is Sat., Sept 21, 4-6 PM at Warner Elementary in Wilmington. UUFN events include a Labyrinth Walk for Peace, Zen Meditation for Peace, launch of a program on transgender inclusion in congregations (with the the UCC); others TBA. Learn more at <http://www.peaceweekdelaware.org>

Volunteers needed for the School Hill Community celebration hosted by the Newark NAACP and the city of Newark at **George Wilson Center Aug. 31, 1-6 PM**.

The Newark branch of the NAACP and the city of Newark are hosting a celebration, reunion and history lesson all at one time at the George Wilson Center on New London Rd. on Saturday, August 31 from 1 to 6 PM.

The George Wilson Center was one of the original Dupont schools for African-American children, built in 1922, and an important gathering place for the African American community, locally called School Hill.

The UUFN Social Justice Committee is supporting this event by hosting a children's table with activities. We are looking for volunteers to help with set up and clean up.

To be part of this special event, and to support the Newark NAACP, email socialjustice@UUFN.org or contact Karen Barker

UUFN Hosting Delmarva Cluster October 19, 2019

Spend the day here, at UUFN, with other UUs from the Delmarva Cluster congregations for **Building Congregations, What's in Your Tool Box? Part 2**. Inspiration! Workshops! Food! Connections! Watch this space for more information. Contact Beth Rausch if you would like to help.