

Unitarian Universalist Fellowship of Newark

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

UUpdate August 2, 2019

The Week Ahead

Thursday, August 1-Tuesday August 6

Youth Service trip (OFFSITE)

Sunday, August 4

9:15am UUFN Bistro (OB) 9:15-10:15am 10:30am Worship & Religious Education

12:00pm RE Committee Meeting

Monday, August 5

6:30pm LDC (B) 6:30-7:30pm

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

Tuesday, August 6

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

Wednesday, August 7

9:00am Panera Coffee Group

4:30pm Minister SRST meeting (B)4:30-6pm

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

Sunday, August 11

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10:30am Worship & Religious Education

Upcoming Services

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.

August 18 — Introducing Reverend Don Garrett

UUFN's new minister, the Reverend Don Garrett, describes his first service with us this way: "Some have suggested I've had an 'interesting' life. I'll share some of the twists and turns that led to my becoming a UU minister."

August Share-the-Plate Recipient : Paws for People

Paws for People is a nonprofit organization committed to providing therapeutic visits to any person in the community who would benefit from interaction with a well-trained, loving pet. Paws is most active throughout DE but also southern PA, NE MD and southern NJ. https://www.pawsforpeople.org/

No grocery card sales on Sunday, August 4 - There will be no table for grocery card sales on Sunday, Aug. 4. We'll be back on August 11. You'll be able to buy your Acme, Food Lion, Giant, Newark Natural Foods, Shoprite, and Zingos gift cards then.



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.

Treasurer (Glen Schmiesing) & Bookkeeper (Chris DuVilla) will now have **regular office hours beginning August 13th** — Every Tuesday 10-11am stop by or make an appointment. They can also be reached via email: Glen S.--<u>treasurer@uufn.org</u> and Chris D. <u>bookkeeper@uufn.org</u>

The kitchen is ordering supplies for everyone, as Hospitality Committee has no Chair.

Hospitality is more than the coffee hour. The definition is, "... the friendly and generous reception and entertainment of guests, visitors, or strangers..." and I can add, "... for all of us who pass through our doors."

Please use supplies provided by the kitchen for all UUFN events: Pot lucks, Women's Spirituality, Helping Hands, Auction, Chili Cook Off, Women's Retreat, workshops, Landscape, RE meetings, earth-centered refreshments, picnics or any other UUFN event. This way we will know how much it costs to provide hospitality, for the Fellowship.

Anything needed--just fill out the request form on the kitchen cabinet and put it in the office kitchen mail box.

--Thanks, The Kitchen Witch!

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:

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

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.

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, 2019Spend 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.