

# Unitarian Universalist Fellowship of Newark

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

### **UUpdate August 16, 2019**

## The Week Ahead

#### Friday, August 16

7:15pm Book Bums (Off Site)

#### Sunday, August 18

9:15am Finance Committee (B) 9:15 - 10:15 am

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

10:30am Worship & Religious Education

11:30am Potluck Welcome Rev Garrett Potluck (M)

11:45am Welcoming Congr Renewal Mtg (OB) 11:45-1:00pm

#### Monday, August 19

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

#### Tuesday, August 20

12:30pm UUFN Lunch Bunch

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

7:00pm Chalice Circle Organization Mtg (B) 7pm

## Wednesday, August 21

9:00am Panera Coffee Group

5:30pm Rental Mtg (BD) 5:30-6:30pm

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

### Thursday, August 22

9:00am Hope Dining Room(offsite) 9-1p

#### Friday, August 23

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

#### Saturday, August 24

9:00am ALICE training (M,BD) 9:00-1:00pm

**CHOIR:** Our first rehearsal of the 2019-2020 season will be on **Sunday, Sept 8th at 9:15am.** 

## **Upcoming Services**

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

## **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 25 –Reading the Readings: Exploring our Seventh Principle through readings from Singing the Living Tradition Presented by Barbara Gates

We use the host of beautiful deep readings at the rear of our hymnal, *Singing the Living Tradition*, less and less frequently. Today's service hopes to reverse that trend by highlighting selections that address the idea of our Seventh Principle. We will explore them together.

## September 1— Work and Values

**Presenter: Gary Jackoway** 

In this interactive service, we will discuss how our work — in the workplace, in the home, in the community and at UUFN — informs our values; and how our values inform our work.

### **Religious Education Notes**

**YoUth GroUp will help YoU!** The YoUth GroUp is going to GA! They are willing to help you with **home/yard work projects** in exchange for donations to our trip fund. No high skill labor but we can help with raking, mowing grass, pulling weeds, lifting heavy objects, and more! The YoUth GroUp can commit to two hours of work at a time and days available are Saturdays and Sundays! If you would like to get more information or set up

a possible day for their services contact Juan Avalos at 706-612-8767 or juan.avalos45@gmail.com.

**Young Adults Group (18-32)** Are you out of high school and looking for friends who share your liberal beliefs? Join our group of young adults (18-32). We meet twice a month to share a meal, have a supportive check-in and discuss various topics from spirituality to politics. All are welcome!

To find the date and location of the next meeting contact dre@uufn.org.

#### August ...

**School Supply Drive, August 12-22**, sponsored by The Newark Partnership to benefit local classrooms. We are collection point and there is a box in the hallway. We are collecting: glue sticks, washable markers, dry erase markers, boxes of tissues, hand sanitizer, #2 pencils, and blunt tip scissors. For more information go to www.TheNewarkPartnership.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). See <a href="https://www.alicetraining.com/">https://www.alicetraining.com/</a> 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. The

Aug. 25 conversation is at UUFN from 2-4:30 pm. Register at <a href="https://www.ywcade.org/white-privilege">www.ywcade.org/white-privilege</a>

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 <a href="mailto:socialjustice@UUFN.org">socialjustice@UUFN.org</a> or contact Karen Barker.

# Coming up in September...

**Tuesday, September 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. Contact: John Pesek <a href="mailto:pesek@udel.edu">pesek@udel.edu</a>

**Sunday, September 8th - Lay Leaders Council meeting & Potluck lunch** The Lay Leaders Council is the combination of the Lay Leaders meetings we have held over the past few years and the Committee Council. At this meeting will be discussing the new leadership chart (new board positions, teams/committees), committee/team finances, and a Long Range

Planning update. Our new minister, Rev. Garrett will join us for this event.

**Monday, September 9th - Open Chalice Circle**— A beginning of the church year circle. The theme is expectation. All are welcome. For both those who want to try out a circle before committing to a monthly one and those whose schedule and/or inclinations do not permit regular attendance.

A chalice circle is a great way to get to know people on a deep level in a very short period of time. Please RSVP by 5pm Sunday, September 8th. If you come without RSVPing, please be sure to be on time.

## Saturday, September 14 – all Fellowship Day of Service!

Please come help maintain our building and grounds. We are a Fellowship — and that means we are all in this together! We will have tasks for all skill levels and interests. Plus it's a great way to get to know other UUFNers. Please sign up at coffee hour today. Your Property Committee.

## Sunday, September 22nd- Committee Sunday

The Long Range Planning committee will be presenting the Sunday service around a Culture of Service which will be followed by Committee Sunday. This is the event where we ask all committees/teams to represent their committees and their purposes to the congregation. This is a great opportunity for recruiting volunteers. Every committee/team is required to have a representative. More details will follow!

## 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: <a href="mailto:loriguidedpath@verizon.net">loriguidedpath@verizon.net</a>

**Sunday, September 29<sup>th</sup> – Pledge to Connect and Serve** Just as members and friends we pledge our financial support of the UUFN with our annual Stewardship drive in the Spring, this Fall we are having a Pledge to Connect and Serve Sunday. Join us on Sunday, September 29th to explore the many ways you can connect and contribute your time to support yourself and the UUFN. Light snacks/refreshments will be available.

## Some additional dates to put on your calendar:

10/13/19 Fall Congregational Meeting 10/ 19/ 2019 – UUFN Hosting Delmarva Cluster 1/26/20 Winter Congregational Meeting 5/17/20 Spring Congregational Meeting

Please direct any calendar/date questions to programs@uufn.org.

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.--treasurer@uufn.org and Chris D. bookkeeper@uufn.org

The kitchen is ordering supplies for everyone <u>Please use</u> <u>supplies provided by the kitchen for all UUFN events:</u> 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!