

UUCY MONTHLY NEWS

July, 2021

SUNDAY WORSHIP SERVICES

July 4 - The Honest American Spirit

We join the UU Church of Annapolis, MD to explore what would happen if we examined the actual history of our nation and then developed a shared vision for a nation of freedom and justice for all. <https://zoom.us/j/969171204>

July 11 - Navigating a Path Beyond Pain

Rev. Cindy Terlazzo leads us in an exploration of moving beyond the pain of the past while honoring our wounds and opening to hope for today and the future. This is an in-person service.

July 18 - The Faithful Citizen

Rev. David M. Horst offers insights into where politics and religion converge and how we can assert our liberal faith values as active, engaged citizens.

July 25 - Fun and Laughter

Susan Horner, UUCY member, speaks on fun and laughter.

Zoom doors open at 9:30 AM. Services begin at 10 AM.

Zoom Meeting:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89310237454?pwd=VINPYTgrSTZWclZNa3BvVlVWVG9HZz02>

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Monthly Newsletter

DEADLINE FOR SUBMISSIONS IS THE 15TH OF EACH MONTH.

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Annual Picnic - July 25



How exciting we can gather in-person this year for our annual family picnic! Once again it's hosted at the beautiful farm of Molly and Steve March starting at noon. Because some restrictions are still in effect, everyone is asked to bring their own food. No potluck this year.

Chairs, games, swimsuits for the pool, sunhats - bring these items, too. And don't forget your sunscreen! Masks are required for those not fully vaccinated against Covid-19. The farm is located at **4899 Pine Drive, Spring Grove, PA**. No rain date.

Here are directions from York New Salem: At the traffic light in York New Salem, turn off of Rt 616 on to W George St/Salem Road toward Stoverstown. Travel 2.5 miles west into Stoverstown. Continue through Stoverstown, turn right onto Lehman Road at the red brick church. Then pass Sonnewald Health Food Store on the left and in 1/4 mile look for mailbox 4899 on the right and a No Outlet Sign and Pine Drive sign. Turn right onto Pine Drive. Go about 200 feet and make a sharp right hand turn into the farm lane. Continue downhill to the barn for parking.

Seeking Sunday Speakers

Have you had a dream of being a guest speaker at a UUCY Sunday Service? Well, here is your opportunity. The Worship Committee is inviting congregants interested in presenting a homily to step forward. The summer services are already booked with guest speakers, but it is unknown when a new minister will arrive, so the Worship Committee is planning ahead for fall guest speakers. They would like to have congregants speak at some of the services. Topics can be your choice - a personal story, a story of a spiritual journey or life experiences significant to one's personal growth. When we tell our stories, we bless and inspire each other. Isn't that what we're here to do? The Committee and others will work with you to develop your idea into a homily and prepare you for the service. No experience required! To learn more, please contact a member of the Worship Committee.

[Robert Felton](#)

[Donna Alcorn](#)

[Carol Stowell](#)

[Erica Caldwell](#)

Tech Help—Will Train

With joy, we are preparing for in-person Sunday services every week beginning in September. To achieve this milestone, more people are needed to help with the technology so we can have simultaneous in-person and zoom services. It would be ideal if we could have enough volunteers so we can rotate teams. You do not have to be a 'geek' to be a part of the team. You can become as involved and go as deep as you want. Processes are being documented for reference, and we are willing to help you learn. We have the summer to prepare and learn the ropes. If interested, contact [Robert Felton](#) or [Doug Hober](#).

Late last March when the pandemic hit and we shut down the campus, we started streaming services using a simple Webcam and our current sound system through ZOOM from a laptop. As many of you will recall, while it was good being able to do this, it was not all that great. Since then, we have researched the process of streaming live services, brought in Gelnet & Associates, and jointly designed a suitable system for both Video and Sound. With the help of Jim Hershey, we had a new A-V Booth built in the back corner of the Sanctuary and culminated our work on Sunday May 16th with a successful Live Worship Service that included Live music by Gretchen and the choir singing in the Sanctuary, while ALSO broadcasting over ZOOM. The feedback was much better than we had hoped for. Thanks to all who were there Sunday, and those viewers on-line who gave us the feedback. We have learned how to successfully use the new Audio – Video equipment upgrades and now need more hands to help.



We are holding a farewell reception for Rev Terry after the service on **July 11**. The reception will be inside the sanctuary and lobby space. Additional details will be announced closer to the time of the event.

New Speaker Series

Following discussions with the Adult RE Committee, the initial group pursuing an opportunity to help build community here at UUCY and to offer insights from outside speakers is working on events that might offer intergenerational gatherings as well as free-standing events whereby a presenter would come to speak on social justice concerns. Look for further specifics in the weeks that come, but any interest in helping implement the intergenerational gatherings,

1. Organizing of facilitating the food element
2. Helping with publicity of the events or "gatekeeping" should be forwarded to [Mike Robinson](#). Thank you.

Events



Consider adding your voice to the **Current Events Discussion Group**

which meets on Zoom **7- 8 pm Mondays**. The conversations are interesting and educational, providing a way to connect during this challenging time. Participants are invited to raise up any current event topics. Led by [Deb Gogniat](#). **No meetings in July.**

Zoom Meeting:

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Join our heartbeats together again! The monthly Drum Circle

continues **7-9 pm July 9**. We'll gather around a smokeless firepit next to the Weeping Beech tree.

In case of foul weather, we meet in the Carriage House. Please bring a chair, drums, and rattles. Led by [Robert Felton](#).

Mask Protocol - for indoor and outdoor events at UUCY, anyone not vaccinated against Covid-19 is asked to wear a mask.

RE for Children & Youth-Sunday, July 11- Water & Tie-Dye Event @ UUCY, 11:30 am - 1:00 pm.

Join us at UUCY for a fun afternoon of water games & tie-dyeing! Bring a plain white t-shirt with you to make your creation.

Saturday July 24 - Drive-In Movie Night @ UUCY, 7:00 pm - 9:00 pm

Join us for a fun, midsummer night's family movie under the stars at UUCY. We encourage you to bring snacks, candy, and a beverage.

Contact [Matthew Shineman](#) Director of Lifespan Religious Education for additional information.

Events

Mindful Meditation Walk on the Labyrinth



Please join us for a mindful meditation walk **June 15**, at **6:30 pm on the labyrinth** to slow down, find ease in our busy lives and to go inward for a bit. ALL are welcome. Bring a friend. Bring a blanket to sit on while you wait your turn on the labyrinth and a journal for reflection after your walk. Beginners are welcome - we will teach you all the ins and outs of walking a labyrinth.

For further information contact [Shawn Fink](#).

New Moon Rite - Please join us **July 10, at sunset, 8:00 pm, on the labyrinth** to greet the new moon.

Please bring your pens & journals, blankets, cushions or lawn chairs. This is a time of reflections, all ages are welcome. In the event of foul weather, please join us in the UUCY sunroom. For further information contact [Mari Rosario](#).



Earth-Centered Traditions



Please join us **July 12, at 8:00 pm** in the Sunroom for a reorganizational meeting of the Earth-Centered Traditions Group. Bring your ideas, your goals, your visions of how to incorporate our earth-centered traditions into our UUCY community. For further information contact [Mari Rosario](#).

Blessing Moon Event



The Blessing Moon - July 24th at 7:30 pm on the labyrinth to celebrate July's full moon and practice a bit of hydromancy. July's full moon is a time for meditation and dream work.

Please bring your pens & journals. A dark colored shallow bowl or deep dish and a small bottle of water. You may also wish to bring a blanket or cushion to sit on as we reflect on our many blessings during this full moon celebration. For further information contact [Mari Rosario](#).

Fellowship



Even Hemingway had a writer's group! Our **Writers Group** meets **7-9 pm, July 27** on zoom. The group offers support for cultivating a regular writing practice and honing skills. No experience required. For more details, contact [Pamela Moore](#).

Zoom Meeting: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88543509027?pwd=VTdiTnYvRDNOMzgwREdSWkVYVYy93QT09>

Meeting ID: 885 4350 9027
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Women's Perspective

As the church opens, so shall we. Let's get in the mood to be over this pandemic.

For our meeting **July 10, 8:30 –10 am** our theme is **"Show up and Share"**. We will gather in the sunroom ready to share our ideas about how to make our group stronger, more relevant, more caring for our challenges ahead. We are at a crossroads so to speak!

We would like women to lead with strong topics relevant to the new future. Let's gather to discuss options.

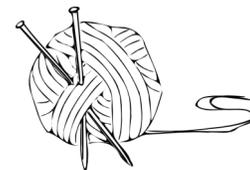
For more details contact [Kate Haldeman](#) or [Corlyn Griggs](#).



The **Knitting Group** is a long standing UUCY group offering a community of knitting, crocheting and friendship. It meets **every Tuesday from 10-11:30 am**

Newcomers & beginners welcome. We meet in-person at our UUCY campus, and gather around outside of the carriage house.

For more details contact [Anne-Marie](#).



UUCY Bocce Ball



Well, we can't travel to Italy right now but we can bring a taste of Italy to UUCY with a weekly game of Bocce. Also known as Lawn Bowling, Bocce is an ancient game using wooden balls, coconuts or melons where two teams compete with the goal of rolling their balls as close to the pallina (target ball) as skill allows.

Currently UUCY Bocce games are scheduled on Wednesday mornings. To join the fun contact [Steve Snell](#) to be added to the Bocce email list.

Fellowship

Interested in exploring or deepening your spiritual practices? Come and join the **Mindfulness Exploration Study Group** on the second and fourth Sunday evening of the month from **7-8 pm** as we nourish our capacity to keep an open heart and mind, lean into discomfort, and strengthen our own flourishing in this world. Feel free to attend when the spirit calls you.

July 11 - [Jack Kornfield: The Ancient Heart of Forgiveness](#)

July 25 - [Prof Paul Gilbert: Compassion](#)

Zoom Meeting:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/3685600239?pwd=UGs1TXplQXhLcEF5TnIHRDd3R3pvZz09>

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Boys and girls in UUCY's Scout **BSA Troop #37** now continues to meet in person every Wednesday from **7-8:30 pm**. The troop generally meets at the UUCY campfire circle near the Beech tree. If the weather is inclement, the troop meets in the sanctuary.

For more information about UUCY's Scout troop, contact Scoutmaster [George Kain](#).



The **Men's Group** will meet on **July 3** and **July 17** from **8-9:30 am**. Please note– the Men's group will be meeting in-person at UUCY's Carriage House Parlor. Meeting topics focus on problem solving, rich experiences, worthy adventures/ memories and much more.



You need not be a member of UUCY to join this very special on-going group. A typical meeting is called by the song of a bowl with a "check-in" to share important events and life passages. Subjects for the discussions are chosen by a meeting leader.

To learn more, contact current admin [Russ McKnight](#).

Memorial Tribute

Saturday morning June 5, was a beautiful summer day to remember those of UUCY who died during COVID. After months of waiting, we were finally able to celebrate these four very remarkable men; Wally Lamb, Brett Majorowitz, Bryan Stevens and Bob Riese.

My sincere thanks to all who contributed their time, talents, and heartwarming stories. Rev. Terry guided us through our service and plaque dedication. Presenters Linda Collison, Craig Zumbrun, Jane Riese, and Julie Amberg reflected on their own memories and those shared by other UU friends. Dianne Creagh and David Stevenson provided a perfect musical interlude, and revealed yet another talent of our dear Bryan.

Our kitchen wizards were Karen Wishart and Marta Smith with behind the scene help from Linda Collison, Julie Amberg, Merry and Bob Barnas, Susan Bupp, Steve Converse, Sandy Dykes, Joan Fulton, Kate Haldeman, Paula Jacobus, Monica Kruger, Sherry Lookofsky, Janie and Russ McKnight, and Martha Mundis. Many hands at work, and our kitchen was a hive of activity again. The goals of presenting healthy food options that were easy to eat and minimized the use of plasticware and cost to the church were achieved. Thanks again so much to everyone who contributed time, culinary talent and money.

Tech treasures Doug Hober, Jerry Cohen and Robert Felton were there to ensure that the audio, and the visuals were ready for prime time. Last but certainly not least were the memorial committee members Linda Collison, Jane Riese, Rev. Terry Cummings and Marta Smith who joined in planning the event. A heartfelt thank you one and all! - Warm regards- Marta Smith, Karen Wishart, and Joan Fulton.

Search Committee Update

As UUCY's search committee, we continue our efforts to find a contract minister who is a good match for our congregation. We have reviewed applications, watched and listened to services, and discussed our reactions. The next step is to meet with any likely candidate. The UUA has said there will be no additional applicants after June, so we should know before too long if we will have a minister by fall or whether a Plan B will be needed. We will let you know as soon as we know.

For those who aren't aware, here is some background information on the types of UU ministries. A settled minister is typically found by a search process that takes at least a year. A committee presents a candidate who is voted on by the congregation. An interim minister serves for a year or two, preparing a congregation for a change in ministers. Interim ministers cannot stay past the end of their interim time. A developmental minister helps a congregation with an identified problem area, again for a set length of time. A contract minister, the type of minister we seek, serves for a contracted time. The contract can be extended by the board. A contract minister can be called as a settled minister with a vote by the congregation. The length of our next contract ministry will depend on the minister we find and on our congregation.

- Shannon Cunningham
- Steve March
- Shawn Fink
- Janelle Mancuso
- Deb Lord
- Jenn Potts (consulting non-voting member)

Our Daily Bread

Approximately 15 years ago a member of UUCY, Jeff Lears, contacted the manager of Our Daily Bread, our local soup kitchen. Member Jo Roussey found the original recipe and we started our ODB mission. ODB is UUCY's longest running Social Justice commitment.

We continue in that commitment this month by making and serving casseroles. The blue box of ODB pans are in front of the sanctuary doors. [Click here](#) to view our recipe. **Monday, July 12** is pickup day for the Our Daily Bread casseroles.

Please bring your casseroles to UUCY George street parking lot between 9:30 and 10 am. Mark the serving date 7/14 on the top of your casserole.

If you cannot drop off your casserole as outlined above, you will need to take it to Our Daily Bread from 7 am until 10:30 am Monday through Friday. ODB is located at 331 South George Street between South and College. It is the white building on the east side of George, a few doors south of St. Mary's church. Park on the north side of the building and ring the buzzer on the door closest to George street. Please let [Corlyn](#) know if you plan to drop off your casserole at ODB.

Since each layer is already cooked, there is no need to bake the casserole. ODB bakes the casseroles to "very brown on top/burned on the edges.". Cool the ODB pan completely before covering with two layers of foil to prevent burning by ODB. Seal foil around pan edges. Write your initials and the serving day on the foil with a Sharpee marker (example: cg 7/14) before you refrigerate or freeze the casserole.

Share the Plate



UUJusticePA
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Our Share the Plate Partner for both July and August is UUJusticePA (formerly UUPlan). This organization pursues justice by voting, advocating, and making just public policies. UUJusticePA brings together the 37 UU Congregations in PA with its 5300 members as one power voice for progressive values in government. Each year UUJusticePA sets and tracks legislative priorities, partnering with similar organizations like the Poor Peoples Campaign and March on Harrisburg, and meets and speaks with state legislators to advocate for change. Find out more and sign up for action alerts at: <https://uujusticepa.org/>

Future Share the Plate Suggestions

Do you have an idea about future Share the Plate partners? Our Social Justice Committee (SJC) is looking for suggestions for the upcoming year. We know many of you support wonderful organizations that work to better our community and our world. The SJC Committee values your input and invites you to make suggestions using the link below to access the Suggestion Form. Later this year the SJC Committee will review the submissions and select organizations that are in alignment with our UU Principles, our Congregational Covenant, and our Social Justice goals. Please click here to fill out the [Suggestion Form](#).

Spectrum York is Changing

Hello Followers and Attendees of Spectrum York,

The Unitarian Universalist Congregation of York (UUCY), which started this group in February 2019, had the intention of supporting the LGBTQIA+ young adult population of the York County area. Only a few months later, the Rainbow Rose Center - which serves York County's LGBTQIA+ Community - started up and began similar sets of programming for various populations of the community.

Many of the moderators for Spectrum York serve on the board and/or as volunteers at the Rainbow Rose Center and have encouraged us at the UUCY to transition the Spectrum York program over to their organization. We are in agreement that the Rainbow Rose Center will be able to better support the population and to open the group up to more participants and so we are following that recommendation. We will be cancelling our July meetings as the Rainbow Rose Center group moderators plan and prepare for the new format. Over the coming month, we will be closing down the Spectrum York Facebook page and Facebook groups.

We highly encourage you to follow the Rainbow Rose Center's Facebook page as they will be announcing some opportunities to socialize in the coming month! Thank you all for your support and attendance over the past two and a half years.

Sincerely,
Spectrum York Moderators

Social Justice News

The Rainbow Rose Center hosted the first ever York County Pride on June 5. The virtual event, presented by WellSpan Health, has received lots of praise, and the Social Justice Committee is proud to partner with the organization. Rev. Terry Cummings had a wonderful message of support for the community. See the event [here](#) at any time.

On Sunday, June 6, our formerly sponsored immigrant and his attorney from PIRC, Ben Hooper, gave a moving presentation about their long journey together. About 40 people came to listen and support him. The Social Justice Committee appreciates the efforts and support of Rev. Terry, Carol Stowell, the Hoovers, and all others in this congregation who ensured that this immigration sponsorship was successful. This has been an amazing journey and we are very proud and excited for the next chapter in this young man's life. He has recently been issued a work permit and will be applying for a driver's license. The balance of his immigration account will be used to cover insurance, permit, license fees, etc. He is eager to work in construction, a field that is always in need for hard workers. He is fully vaccinated and still enjoys connections with his family in York so reach out to him and include him when you can.



Carol Stowell and Steve Snell, along with our formerly sponsored immigrant, attended a Gift Ban Protest outside of the Capitol on June 9. Steve was unsuccessful in getting arrested, but four members of the protest did block Sen. Corman's office as we keep pushing for him to bring the gift ban to the floor for a vote.

On Tuesday, June 15, the UUCY hosted Ann Wiesner, an accomplished strategist and Director of the Unitarian Universalist Women's Federation, who facilitated a Courageous Conversation about "White Fragility and Allyship." The event was well attended and encouraged deep and meaningful conversations about being actively anti-racist.



Food Pantry Garden



A small but dedicated team of volunteers has created a bountiful and beautiful Food Pantry Garden on the UUCY campus. When you visit the church, take a stroll to admire the handiwork. New this year is clover for the bees, tomatillos with bright yellow flowers and stick teepee trellises for the cucumbers.

In just a few weeks the garden has yielded over 50 pounds of organic produce for the St. Paul's Lutheran Food Pantry. The Pantry serves more than 100 families each month. We are told the families are always eager to see what fresh produce will be available when they arrive. To help with the harvest, contact [Karen Wishart](#).

Membership Committee



(L-R) Deb Gogniat, Membership Committee chair; Mike Robinson, Elizabeth Goheen, Mike and Hilary Anderson, Mari Rosario, Jady Fink.

Please welcome our new members who signed the book on June 20. They are Mike Robinson, Elizabeth Goheen, Mike and Hilary Anderson, Mari Rosario and Jady Fink.

There are eleven other Pandemic membership class participants interested in joining who plan to sign the book and be introduced in the fall. Anyone interested in membership may contact [Deb Gogniat](#), Membership Committee Chair.



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