



The Weekly Bulletin | January 26, 2020

First Unitarian Universalist Congregation of Ann Arbor, Michigan

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Worship Services | 9:30am Service

Who Cares?

Music, centering, reflection undertaken together can prepare the community's voice to speak with strength in the times that matter most. What will your voice lend to the voice we share? **On the Chancel** | Rev. Manish Mishra-Marzetti, Dr. Glen Thomas Rideout, Rev. Lindasusan Ulrich

Congregational Meeting & Lunch | 11:30am–1:30pm

(food available 10:45am-1:30pm)

Please plan to attend a special Congregational Meeting held in place of the second service. After a brief meeting to share budget information and hold a vote to sponsor the ordination of Theresa Rohlck, our Vision 20/50 consultant, Elandria Williams, will facilitate an interactive, all-congregation workshop.

We will explore the wisdom gathered from our Visioning sessions, and take part in action-planning exercises.

Kindergarten and up are invited to participate. There will be NO second service SGD classes. Childcare will be provided for infants and toddlers.

[Use this link](#) to see the meeting agendas and other supporting materials-- including the latest Visioning analysis!. Limited paper copies will be available, so bring a device to load the documents, or print them at home.

Important Note:

Our facilitator has serious allergies that can trigger a trip to the **Emergency Room**.

To help keep her safe, please:

- don't use any colognes, perfumes, or scented deodorants, lotions, or soaps (especially anything citrus or flower scented)
- if you are in doubt as to whether you are wearing something that falls into these categories please do not get in close physical proximity to Elandria
- don't bring any snacks to the meeting, food will be provided in the Social Hall

Thank you!! We appreciate your understanding and cooperation with this important health issue.

Questions? Email BoT@uuaa.org.

Alpha House Host Week Signup

Today, Main Doors, Alpha House Table

Our next Alpha House Host Week is Monday-Sunday, February 3-9. Alpha House is a shelter for families experiencing homelessness. UUAA needs 100 volunteers for our service week and up to \$400 to cover supplies. Sign up on line at <http://tinyurl.com/AHFeb20> or sign up and/or donate money at our table during Social Hour. If you are new to UUAA or have questions, feel free to email us at alphahouse@uuaa.org.

Grocery/Scrip

No Social Hour and need Scrip? Send Carolyn an email or check out shopwithscrip.com. Now's the perfect time to look at the 700+ retailers available. You can pay by credit card with a small service charge or link your bank/checking account to [shopwithscrip](http://shopwithscrip.com). Many retailers offer ScripNow that are available in minutes. Questions? Email cmponyclub@sbcglobal.net.

Sunderland Library Open House

Today, Sunderland Library, 10:30am

Check out what's new in your UUAA library! Meet our new computer; learn about our online catalogs for adult, youth and children's collections; and take a book from our "free books" shelf! Questions? Email library@uuaa.org.

Plant-Powered Family Potluck

Saturday, February 1, noon–2:00pm

Join us for our vegan potluck in the Social Hall. Bring a plant-based vegan dish without meat, fish, eggs, dairy, honey, or other animal products. Enjoy the company of fellow mindful eaters, share information, and eat delicious food! Bring your own table service and serving tools. Questions? Email sheilasanders@comcast.net.

Khasi Hills Presentation & Lunch

Sunday, February 2, 1:00pm–2:45pm

Learn about the Unitarian school in NE India. In India the school year begins in February. You are invited to join the Khasi Hills Committee in the Fahs Chapel to kick off their new school year and learn about life in the Khasi Hills. Enjoy tasty food and a movie featuring students from the Unitarian Lower Primary school where UUAA members sponsored 108 students last year. Consider enrolling in the Sponsor-a-Student program for the 2020 school year. Questions? Contact Allen Duncan or Cathy Doherty at KhasiHills@uuaa.org.

Memory Loss Caregiver Support Group

Wednesday, February 5, 3:00pm–4:30pm

If you are a caregiver who would like some support, join us. We will meet in the David Room. All are welcome. Questions? Call Meredith Ley at 734-717-0213.

Friday Fun Night—Journeys of Love

Friday, February 7, 6:00pm–9:00pm

Join us for February Friday Fun Night! Dinner is chili, cornbread, green salad and fruit salad. Make a card or heart for loved ones. Join Rev. Manish for a viewing and discussion of *The Hundred Foot Journey*, (starting at 6:30pm), or check out our kids' movie, *Homeward Bound*. Play a board game with us, including a demonstration/tutorial of Ticket to Ride – First Journeys, (ages 6+). Suggested donation \$5 per person or \$20 per family. Questions? Email FridayFunNight@uuaa.org.

Film & Discussion | *The Hundred Foot Journey*

Friday, February 7, 6:30pm–9:00pm

Join Rev. Manish as he leads us in a screening of Director Lasse Halstrom's critically acclaimed film "The Hundred Foot Journey" (2014, rated PG). Set in France, this movie explores the theme of antagonism towards immigrants as well as the possibility of cross-cultural bridge building, with food/cuisine as one of this story's defining elements. Due to this movie's length, it will commence promptly at 6:30pm, followed by a brief opportunity for conversation. Please join us at 6pm in the Social Hall for a shared meal, prior to the film.

Socially Responsible Investing

Sunday, February 9, 1:15pm–2:30pm

Are you investing in faceless corporations that are possibly doing things with your money that don't align with your values? Let 2020 be the year you take action to change that! Join us in Fahs Chapel for a presentation by Angela Barbash, Chartered SRI Counselor. Angela will cover trends in Socially Responsible Investing (SRI), breaking down some of the basic terminology, and sharing website and video resource links. Questions? Contact Cathy Muha at cathymuha@sbcglobal.net or Carolyn Madden at cgmadden@gmail.com.

North AAUU Meeting

Tuesday, February 11, 7:00pm

Join the North AAUU Group at Bob Reed's in the Meadows, Glacier Hills, 4001 Glacier Hills Dr. Tell of a place that was meaningful to you and why it was. Questions? Email Al LaRose at albertlarose@att.net.

Trans Inclusion in Congregations 3-Session Workshop February, 15, 29, & March 28, 10:00am–1:30pm

Welcome Ministries and Interweave invite you to a three-session workshop designed by the [Transforming Hearts Collective](#). This workshop features online presentations followed by discussion, focusing on gender roles and the experiences of transgender people. If you are interested in digging deep and expanding welcoming practices in UU congregations, [register here](#) or email hannah@uuaa.org.

Join a New Womyn's Circle—Meet Up

Saturday, February 15, 11:00am–1:00pm

All UUA Womyn interested in joining/forming a new Womyn's Circle are invited to a Meet & Greet at UUA. Womyn throughout history have gathered in circles to empower each other and share wisdom and support. Some Womyn's Circles at UUA have been together for more than 20 years! This gathering will provide information about Circles and offer help in starting a new group. Questions? Contact Pat Kuessner at pkuessner07@comcast.net.

Introduction to Our Faith

Saturday, February 15, 10:00am–2:30pm

This class is an introduction to Unitarian Universalism for newcomers and a prerequisite for congregants ready to sign the membership book. Learn about UU history, how to get involved, finding your calling, and the responsibilities of membership. [Register online](#) or by filling out a form found on the Involvement Table or in the Newcomer Welcome Room during Social Hour. Registration deadline is Sunday, February 9. Questions? Email Hannah Hotchkiss at hannah@uuaa.org.

Womyn's Sisterhood Social

Friday, February 21, 6:00pm–9:00pm

If you've never been to a Sisterhood Social, this is the perfect time to give it a try! Sisterhood Socials are casual events on the third Friday of each month that provide a warm and welcoming opportunity to get to know more women at UUA. Please bring food to share for potluck dinner! This social will be held at 1149 Lester Ave., Ypsilanti. RSVP to hostess Lorrie Carbone at 734-883-0072 or lorrie.carbone@gmail.com.

2020 Womyn's Retreat—Workshop Proposal Deadline Saturday, March 7, 2020

The UUA Womyn's Retreat is a collaborative effort of wonderful volunteers. The committee is now calling for the next wave of volunteers – potential workshop presenters – to submit proposals for 90-minute workshops that fit within the theme "Self Compassion: Discovering Joy." All proposals will be reviewed by the full committee. Submitting a proposal does not guarantee that your session will be selected. Send your proposal(s) of approximately 300 words by March 7 to Retreat Co-Chair Michele Zmich at zmich@umich.edu.

UUA Humanist Study Groups

Humanism has a long history in our congregation, and a group has been meeting for over 20 years, gathering on the 2nd and 4th Monday evenings and 1st and 3rd Thursday afternoons to discuss topics relating to humanist philosophy, theology, morals, ethics, reasoning, science, and more. All are welcome. Our next meetings are **Monday, January 27, 7:00pm–8:30pm**. (Questions? Contact Hal Breidenbach at hal@breidenbach.net.) and **Thursday, February 6, 2:00pm–4:00pm**. (Questions? Contact Bruce Gibb at blgibb@aol.com.)

Jackson Social Welfare Fund

The Jackson Social Welfare Fund (JSWF) Committee awards grants yearly to projects advancing the First Amendment to the Constitution and promoting reason and understanding to peacefully solve conflicts. The 2020 Request for Proposals is available on the UUA website or by contacting co-chairs Kyla Boyse and Chris Pellar-Kosbar at JSWF@uuaa.org. If you have questions, please email JSWF@uuaa.org. Proposals are due by 5:00pm, Monday, March 20, 2020. We expect to award \$30,500.00 in grants this year, and will notify recipients of award decisions by the end of May.

Weekly Bulletin Deadline

Wednesdays at 5:00pm

Submissions of 90 words or fewer should be submitted in Word format and sent to bulletin@uuaa.org. Questions? Contact Welcome Ministries Coordinator Hannah Hotchkiss at hannah@uuaa.org.