



# First Unitarian Universalist CONGREGATION OF ANN ARBOR

## This Week at UUAA July 15 - 21, 2021

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The *Weekly News* is distributed each Thursday. Deadlines for submissions are Tuesdays at 5pm.

The deadline for the *Weekly News* July 22 - 28 is Tuesday, July 20 at 5pm Eastern [through this form](#).

The deadline for the *August Newsletter* is Wednesday, July 21 at 5pm Eastern [through this form](#).

Questions? [Watch this video](#) on how to submit to the *Weekly News*, or email Interim Communications Ministry Specialist Karishma Gottfried at [communications@uuaa.org](mailto:communications@uuaa.org).

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### Join Us on Sunday

Sunday, July 18, 11:30am

Join us this Sunday at [uuaa.org/service](https://uuaa.org/service). We are welcoming Cristy Cardinal into the (virtual) pulpit this week! The service will be on Zoom; [you can pre-register here](#).

After the service, join our UUAA community for connection and conversation at [uuaa.org/socialhour](https://uuaa.org/socialhour).



## Photo and Video Request for July 25 Service

Due Thursday, July 15, 11:59pm

Do you have any photos or videos of our UUAA community sharing music together? For our service on Sunday, July 25, we will celebrate Dr. Glen Thomas Rideout as he transitions out of his role at UUAA. [Please submit any photos or videos you have of music at UUAA here](#) as we recognize the powerful music ministry we have here at UUAA. Note: we may not be able to publish all submissions. Questions? Email [worshipteam@uuaa.org](mailto:worshipteam@uuaa.org).

Need more worship in your life? Watch past services, music, and stories in [our website archive](#).

### Upcoming Events

For a full list of events, [visit the UUAA Calendar](#).



#### Humanist Study Group

Thursday, July 15, 2:00pm

Monday, July 26, 7:00pm

Humanism has a long history in our congregation. A lively group of humanists has been meeting for over 20 years, gathering on the second and fourth Monday evenings and/or first and third Thursday afternoons to discuss topics relating to Humanist philosophy, theology, morals, ethics, reasoning, science—the list is long and varied. All are welcome, regardless of theology or philosophy.

All meetings are still virtual. To get on our mailing list, get the log-in information, or ask any other questions, send a query to [humanistgroupinfo@uuaa.org](mailto:humanistgroupinfo@uuaa.org).



#### WomUUn's Council

Friday, July 16, 7:00pm - 9:00pm

Outdoors at [Hickory Woods Park](#), 5415 Crane Rd, Ypsilanti, MI 48197.

This will simply be a time to reconnect with other UUAA women in a relaxed and welcoming setting. Join us in the lawn to the south of the parking lot.

What to bring:

- Your own lawn chair
- Food and beverages
- Bug repellent
- Mask if you need one

If it is raining, the social will be by Zoom [at this link](#).

Contact Judi Lintott at [jlintott@comcast.net](mailto:jlintott@comcast.net) or 734-352-7285.



## **Ignite: Summer Vespers**

*Tuesday, July 20, 7:30pm*

The goal of *Ignite: Summer Vespers* is to offer young adults (approximately 18 - 39) a chance to be in spiritual community together. We are grounded in Unitarian Universalism and shaped by each and every one of you, the people who come together. This is an opportunity to take a pause in the middle of the week, to wind down and reflect at the end of the day, and to be in beloved community.

Every vespers includes music, a chalice lighting, an opportunity to share our joys and sorrows, and a closing song. The experience is somewhere in between a small group and a Sunday service—we want to create a space for young adults to experience transformative worship and authentic connection.

[Join the gathering here.](#)

If you have questions or want to participate in the planning process, email [kari@uuuaa.org](mailto:kari@uuuaa.org).



## **Farewell Gathering**

*Saturday, July 31*

*Music Ministries: 1:00pm - 3:00pm*

*Congregation: 3:00pm - 5:00pm*

Join us on the lawn for an in-person farewell to Dr. Glen Thomas Rideout, Mark VanKempen, and Sanne Krummel. We want to show them how much we appreciate their service and wish them well. Chalice Singers, Bells, and Sparks are invited to come at 1pm for an outdoor gathering with Glen Thomas. The congregation is invited to join at 3pm, when we will honor all departing staff members. Tents for shade will be available and light refreshments will be provided. Please wear a mask.

We need volunteers to help with the party. [Please sign up here.](#)

Questions? Please email [musicambassadors@uuaa.org](mailto:musicambassadors@uuaa.org).



## Caregivers and Kiddos Resumes Monthly Playdates

*Saturday, July 31, 3:30pm - 5:00pm*

Caregivers and Kiddos is a fellowship group for families with young children. Join us as we re-start regular playdates on the last Saturday of the month, from 3:30pm to 5:00pm, at the church preschool playground. Contact [Charlene.Mangi@gmail.com](mailto:Charlene.Mangi@gmail.com) with any questions, or to join our WhatsApp group to find out about other gatherings and playdates.



## Reconnect \* Reimagine Picnic

*Saturday, August 14, 3:00pm - 6:00pm*

Join the fun at the UUA Reconnect \* Reimagine Picnic. There will be ice cream, fun games and crafts, a fabulous professional magic show, popup shopping opportunities, and water play! We will continue to follow the UUA COVID-19 Guidelines. So we ask that you bring your own picnic (BYOP) and picnic blankets. We will provide the ice cream and fun! Watch for updates in the coming weeks! Questions? Email [Hannah@uuaa.org](mailto:Hannah@uuaa.org).



## Save the Date: WomUUn's Retreat

*October 8 - 10, 2021*

The UUA WomUUn's Retreat will be October 8-10, 2021 at Camp Copneconic in Fenton, MI. Planning is underway for a fabulous reunion event with a theme of "Reconnect and Rejoice." Pandemic safety protocols will be observed in all aspects of the event. While the full retreat runs From Friday evening through Sunday afternoon, one-day registration will be an option. Contact Retreat Chair Amy Thomas at [agthomas@gmail.com](mailto:agthomas@gmail.com) for more information.

## Links

[Reserve a Zoom room](#) | [View past services](#)

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