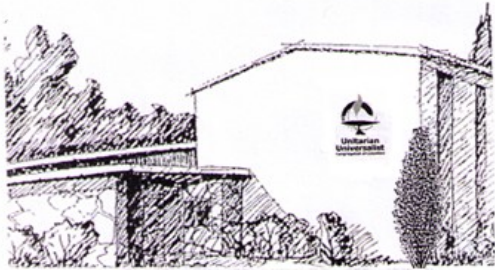




# The Unigram

Newsletter of the Unitarian Universalist Congregation of Columbia, SC

June 14, 2017



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## **Sunday Schedule**

**Forum:** 9:30 am in the Library

**Worship:** 11:00 am-12:15 pm

**Nursery:** Available during service for infants through age 3

### **June 18, 2017**

#### **9:30 am Forum Topic**

How do we fight, who do we call to fight, against bad bills in the SC House and Senate?

#### **11:00 am Sermon Topic**

"Our Mission," by Rev. Jeff Liebmann

### **June 25, 2017**

#### **9:30 am Forum Topic**

Why do politics always devolve in argument vs. discourse?

#### **11:00 am Sermon Topic**

"Keep Calm and Carry On," by Rev. Jennie Barrington

## **Unigram Deadline**

The deadline for the next issue is **Sunday, June 25**, for publication on **Wednesday, June 28**. *Items submitted after the deadline will not be published.* Please submit articles and announcements for the next issue to [uucc@uucolumbia.org](mailto:uucc@uucolumbia.org).

## **Minister's Meditation**

**The Rev. Jennie Barrington, Interim Minister**

*"You can taste love in food."*

Dear Members and Friends,

I don't know the origin of the above quote. But it brings to mind for me that loving one another, and feeding others and ourselves, are not separate undertakings; they are intertwined. The above quote came to mind for me as I reflected on the wonderfully gracious evening we had at our church on Friday evening, June 2<sup>nd</sup>, with so many members, friends, and neighbors, in honor of Ramadan. In collaboration with The Atlantic Institute, and its Director, Dr. Akif Aydin, we learned new things about Ramadan and Islam, increased our awareness of interfaith issues both locally and nation-wide, began many new friendships, and then broke bread together. The feast, which was spread the length of the Social Hall, was truly the result of gifts of love. I am grateful to everyone who helped make the evening so caring and enjoyable. And I will treasure it as one of my favorite memories of my time at UUC. Our soon-to-be Chair of Social Action, Laura Hartwig, has posted words and pictures from the evening here:

The Ramadan dinner is listed under "Past Activities" here:

<http://www.uucolumbia.dreamhosters.com/justice/past-social-justice-activities/>

And UUC's Social Action Committee's Facebook page is here:

<https://www.facebook.com/uuccsocialaction/>

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The original thought behind “You can taste love in food” may be from religious author Kahlil Gibran who wrote, “Work is love made visible.” In his essay, “On Work,” in his book, *The Prophet*, Gibran reflects on work as laboring with our hands, and as sowing seeds, and as singing. He writes of how engaging in a common endeavor binds a group together in lasting ways, perhaps even everlasting ways. This week you have the opportunity to do all that, and more. A milestone week in the congregation is upon us: your Candidating Week, with Candidate Minister the Rev. Jeff Liebmann. As you read this, you already have a taste of what that week is like. I hope you are having a great time! Rev. Jeff preached on June 11<sup>th</sup>, and will preach again on June 18<sup>th</sup>, followed by an all-member vote to call him as new settled minister of UUCC. Friends of UUCC can attend that meeting, but only members may vote. This week, there are ample opportunities for Rev. Jeff to meet with members, their families, staff, and friends of UUCC. These gatherings are sometimes called, “Meet and Greet and Eat.” They are opportunities for you to “show up and step up,” and to feed Rev. Jeff abundantly. In short, you will have opportunities to do what you do best, and be who you are as your best selves. These several gatherings will also be your chance to ask all your questions and raise any concerns you have. Candidating Week is when you should talk directly with Rev. Jeff, the Search Committee, and the Board about UUCC’s history; present successes, joys, and concerns; and bright future. Following the worship service on June 18<sup>th</sup>, Rev. Jeff will leave the building, and a congregational meeting will be convened, that members must formally sign in for. It is best practices not to have a discussion before the vote-to-call. So all questions and concerns should be expressed previously. I know you will do beautifully with all the work, social times, and discussions this week. As a heads-up, I will not be at the church. It is necessary that I absent myself so that all of you and Rev. Jeff can get to know each other without my influencing nor interfering in any way. I look forward to hearing the result of the vote, and I imagine it will be a happy success!

So please make every effort to attend the several gatherings and meetings of Candidating Week, and especially the worship service on June 18<sup>th</sup>. And, if you are a member, please make every effort to attend the congregational meeting and vote-to-call. A high turn-out for that vote will shine an enthusiastic light on the culmination of UUCC’s search process, and on its future.

In Kahlil Gibran’s essay, “On Work,” he writes:

“And what is it to work with love? ...It is to build a house with affection, even as if your beloved were to dwell in that house. It is to sow seeds with tenderness and reap the harvest with joy, even as if your beloved were to eat the fruit. It is to charge all things you fashion with a breath of your own spirit, and to know that all the blessed dead are standing about you and watching.”

During your Candidating Week, may you reap the harvest of all the good work you have done during this interim period, and infuse your congregation with affection, so that your congregation’s dearly departed predecessors may look upon you with pride and love.

In faith and care, you Interim Minister, Rev. Jennie

# Ministerial Search Committee Update

The ministerial search committee is proud to introduce the candidate for the settled minister position, Reverend Jeffrey Liebmann, most recently of the Midland (MI) congregation. He comes to us with over six years experience as a Unitarian Universalist minister and has received final fellowship from the UUA. As you will note in his brief biography, he has a real passion for social justice and Religious Education.

## Biography

Rev. Jeff graduated from Meadville Lombard Theological School and entered Unitarian Universalist ministerial fellowship in 2010 after a career in planning and budgeting at the University of Pittsburgh. After student ministries in Pennsylvania and New York, he was called to serve as the minister of the Unitarian Universalist Fellowship of Midland (Michigan) for the past six years.

During his first year in Midland, the state of Michigan went politically “red” and the Occupy Wall Street movement erupted. He jumped into both, helping organize vigils and rallies, as well as testifying before numerous State legislative committees, and local city and county commissions. He has written hundreds of online and print editorials on reproductive justice, LGBTQIA rights and equality, racism, sexism, gun control, church/state relations, among many other topics.

Initially raised in the Disciples of Christ tradition (United Church of Christ), Rev. Jeff explored many religions as a teen, eventually discovering Unitarian Universalism at the age of 30. As a mystical omnitheist, he believes that god is all existence in every plane and universe, and that we all can connect with the Spirit of Love through intuition and mystical experience. He preaches the wisdom of each religion, while encouraging listeners to challenge paradigms and blaze their own spiritual paths. He counts among his spiritual heroes Theodore Parker and Kenneth Patton, James Reeb and Viola Liuzzo, Gandhi and Martin Luther King, Jr., and all the great heretics of history.

He met his wife Jody in Midland, both bringing two adult children into the marriage. Together, Jody and Jeff traveled to Lansing, Washington D.C., and Raleigh for social justice events. Jody provides enormous support for Jeff’s ministry, and he supports her career as a social worker. Jeff collects books and vinyl records and Jody works with watercolor and acrylics. Both avidly attend garage and estate sales looking for undiscovered treasures. They share their home with Oliver the Dachshund, and cat brothers, Holmes and Watson.

All the Liebmanns are excited to come to the Palmetto State and do the work of creating the Beloved Community in Columbia.



# Direction Reflection Exploration

“Perhaps travel cannot prevent bigotry, but by demonstrating that all peoples cry, laugh, eat, worry, and die, it can introduce the idea that if we try and understand each other, we may even become friends.” – Maya Angelou

Our children and youth have kicked off their passport adventures with a quick trip to Ireland and Scotland with Morgan Gauthreaux-Hanes. They were introduced to Nessie, the Loch Ness Monster, and the beauty of the lands. We didn’t get to the religions practiced or many of the other interesting bits of knowledge Morgan had about the lands due to the timing of the Annual meeting, however, their interests were piqued and we can trust that the rest of the summer’s adventures will be exciting and informative. Bon Voyage!

Stephanie Palmer Smith  
Director of Religious Exploration

Place of Travel and Tour Guide	DRE for the lesson	Assistants	Assistants
6/25 New Zealand with Don Dodson and Pat Mohr	Stephanie	Morgan	
7/2 Spain with Nancie Shillington-Perez	Stephanie		
7/9 Puppets	Stephanie		
7/16 Germany with Cindy Blackman	Stephanie	Gail Dawson	Cindy Bowie
	Stephanie	Morgan	
7/23 CYRE Water Day!	Morgan		
7/30 Taiwan with Ginny Verne	Stephanie	Morgan	
8/6 Finland with Carita Barr	Stephanie	Morgan	
8/13 The Galapagos with Linda and Richard McLeod	Stephanie	Morgan	
8/20 Presentation Planning	Stephanie	Morgan	
8/27 Presentation to Congregation (a puppet show of the CYRE summer travels)	Stephanie	Morgan	
	Stephanie		

# **Policy from the Worship Committee about Sunday morning Announcements**

Attention committee chairs:

The Worship Committee has again been discussing guidelines for allowing the making of announcements during the Sunday service. The need to be limited is essential to contain the length of the service and to allow the expedient dismissal of the children to their classes. Any announcements your committee has should be included in the Order of Service, the Unigram, website, Facebook, and/or on posters/flyers in the building. Announcements made from the pulpit are discouraged and forgetting to place it in established media is not an excuse for a last-minute rush. If you believe a pulpit announcement must be made for a particular reason, make a request to the Board member of the day by placing the announcement in the notebook outside the Administrator's office, to be picked up before the service. It must be written in advance and be very brief. Generally the announcement will be made by the board member and not by the individual submitting the announcements. Rare exceptions will be at the discretion of the board member. The Worship Committee thanks you for helping us to make our worship services run more smoothly and on schedule.”

Richard McLeod, Chair

UUCC Worship Committee

# News and Notes

June 18<sup>th</sup> [Our Mission] Rev. Jeff Liebmann  
Brevity is the key to an outstanding mission statement. With as little as four words, anyone should know exactly what your organization considers vital and valuable. When someone asks about Unitarian Universalism, what four words should come to our minds?

Come hear our Candidate Minister for this final Sunday of Candidating Week! And then stay for the all-important congregational meeting and vote-to-call our new Settled Minister.

June 25<sup>th</sup> [Keep Calm and Carry On] This will be Rev. Jennie's last Sunday in our pulpit.

July 2<sup>nd</sup> [Living in the Layers] Rev. Julianne Lepp of the UU Congregation in Eau Claire Wisconsin will be our speaker.

## **Notice of Meeting to Vote to Call New Settled Minister Today, June 18, 2017, 12:30 p.m.**

Members of UUCC, please be present at the Vote to Call our New Settled Minister, which will be held in the sanctuary at UUCC today, June 18, 2017, at 12:30 p.m. This is a formal congregational meeting of UUCC. A quorum will be necessary.

## **All Pledge Cards are Needed by June 30 for our 2017-18 Fiscal Year**

We need 2017-18 Pledges from all members by **Friday, June 30**. You may email or call in your 2017-18 pledge in confidence to our Administrator at [uucc@uucolumbia.org](mailto:uucc@uucolumbia.org) or 803-799-0845.

## **UUA General Assembly and Candidates for President**

Dear Members and Friends,

This year's UUA General Assembly will be from June 21st - 25th, in New Orleans. Our congregation has four delegates total: Stephanie Palmer-Smith, Pippin Whitaker, Keitha Whitaker, and Bob Whitaker. At our denomina-

tion's website: [uua.org](http://uua.org) you can find information on all the possible things our delegates will be voting on. After you inform yourself, you can talk to our delegates about what you think and feel.

One of the things delegates will be voting on is a new President of the UUA. All 3 candidates are women. Here are their websites: Rev. Susan Frederick Gray <http://susanfrederickgray.com/>; Rev. Jeanne Pupke <http://www.jeannepupke.com/>; and Rev. Alison Miller <http://www.alisonforuupresident.org/>

If you have any questions about this year's "GA," you are also always welcome to ask me.

Thank you, Rev. Jennie

## **Administrator Out of Office Next Week**

Our Administrator, Andrea Dudick, will be out of the office the week of June 19-23. Voice and email messages will be checked regularly.

## **One Unigram in July**

Only one Unigram will be published during the month of July. This Unigram will be published on Wednesday, July 12. **The deadline for ALL submissions is Sunday, July 9.** The subsequent Unigram will be published on August 9.

## **Rev. Jennie's Availability**

From June 12-19, Rev. Jennie will be working from home. She will not be in the church building during Candidating Week, so as not to interfere with members getting to know Rev. Jeff. Rev. Jennie will be back in the office from June 20 - 25th, and from June 27th - 30th. During the month of July, Rev. Jennie will be taking her vacation time, to attend to the industry of packing and relocating. She is affectionately looking forward to her last Sunday at UUCC, June 25th. Please join us for her final sermon, "Keep Calm and Carry On," and for the ice cream reception afterward.

## Children & Adult Chalice Lighters Needed



Please celebrate a special event by becoming a Chalice Lighter. Having a birthday? An anniversary? New to UUCC? UUCC longtimer? We would like to celebrate with you! Write:

[dre@uucolumbia.org](mailto:dre@uucolumbia.org) today to reserve your date or sign up on the clipboard found on the information table in the Social Hall.

## Transitions Volunteers Needed Second Saturday of Each Month

UUCC has a recurring obligation to help serve the evening meal at Transitions Homeless Recovery Center, 2025 Main Street in Columbia, on the second Saturday of every month. Contact Bob Whitaker at [bobwhit46@gmail.com](mailto:bobwhit46@gmail.com) to volunteer.

## Gaia's Rising CUUPs Open House, Thursday, June 15

Please join us on Thursday, June 15 at 7:30 p.m. in the Library for our 24th Anniversary open house! CUUPs is an Earth Based Worship and we have been meeting in the Library since 1993. We will have light snacks and will be happy to answer any questions you may have about us. We are open to all! Please stop by and feel free to bring a friend. Blessed Be, Lewis Richardson, 803-729-4319.

## Art for All Group, Thursdays



If you are interested in working on your art with others for support, encouragement and feedback, then the Art for All Group is for you. We meet weekly on Thursdays

from 10:00 a.m. - noon in the UUCC Social Hall. Bring your own supplies and prepare to enjoy the company of other artists at no cost. No instruction provided. Please contact Ruthie Saunders at [rsaunders@sc.edu](mailto:rsaunders@sc.edu) if you have questions.

## Seeds of Hope Volunteers Needed



Seeds of Hope Fresh Market will begin this Sunday, June 18, in front of the church. We need volunteers to sign up to work at the fresh market for returning Farmer Louis Reid. This

is a great opportunity for UUCC to be represented in our community and a fun time to meet our neighbors. You will be serving from 10:15 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. and if you have never done this before you are in for a great experience. Bauer Westernen will be happy to instruct you and to be sure you know what you are doing. All we ask is for a smiling face to greet our neighbors and sell Farmer Reid's produce. Our own church members are our best customers but those out for their morning walk are always happy to see us open for business each Sunday beginning June 18 until August 6. Please send Bauer an email telling him you will help out at [bwesteren@hotmail.com](mailto:bwesteren@hotmail.com) or go to our website at [www.uucolumbia.org](http://www.uucolumbia.org) to the Social Action page and sign up there. Either way WE NEED YOU!

## Summer Isn't a Vacation From Hunger



While many of us enjoy summer as a time of vacations and relaxation, for tens of thousands of South Carolinians summer is a time of stress and empty plates. Higher utility bills for seniors

and no school lunch for children mean that Harvest Hope sees a large increase in clients. However, with your help, we can help feed the needy and make it a summer without hunger. Please remember to bring your canned good donations each Sunday (no glass containers please) and add to our food basket that we deliver on a regular basis. Canned vegetables, fruits, peanut butter, pasta, and they can always use disposable diapers - both child and senior size. Thanks for caring.



## **Refugee Day - June 19, 5:30 - 7:00**

### **p.m. Refugee Simulation**

Wonder what it's like to be a refugee? Attend a refugee simulation at Cayce-West Columbia library meeting room, 1500 Augusta Road, West Columbia, SC. After the event, you're invited to join everyone at a local restaurant to continue the conversation. Sponsored by the Refugee Task Force of Carolina Peace Resource Center. For more information, call Sara Damewood at 803-730-4987 or email at [saraofsc@yahoo.com](mailto:saraofsc@yahoo.com). This is an event to remember World Refugee Day, which is June 20. (This event is not sponsored by UUCC Social Action Committee, but we give it our full support.)

### **Christian Heritage Group Meeting, Tuesday, June 20**

The Christian Heritage Group will meet on Tuesday, June 20 at 11:00 a.m. at Patty Drew's home at 824 Beltline Boulevard, Columbia 29205. If you are interested in Christianity from a UU perspective, please join us. We will be discussing the trinity at this meeting. If you have any questions, please call Jenny Beale at 776-2625.

### **September Set is at 6:00 p.m. on Friday, June 23: Please Note Start Time of 6:00 p.m. for the Summer Months**

Our monthly September Set for our UUCC Seniors will be held Friday, June 23. We will begin at **6:00 p.m.** in the Social Hall with conversation and getting to know each other better. Bring a dish to share and join in the fun. Long time and new members and friends are welcome. We hope to see you there. Contact Jean Capalbo at [jacapalbo@gmail.com](mailto:jacapalbo@gmail.com) or Pat Mohr at [patmohr@mindspring.com](mailto:patmohr@mindspring.com).

### **SSL T-Shirts for Sale**

Standing on the Side of Love T-Shirts are still available. We will not be ordering anymore shirts until fall so now is the time to get yours. There will not be a sales table set up after church service but you may contact Linda McLeod after church to purchase a shirt or send an email to [socialaction@uucolumbia.org](mailto:socialaction@uucolumbia.org) or call Linda at 803-319-3594.



### **"You scream, I scream, we all scream for ice cream — and a chance to say so long!"**

On **Sunday, June 25**, in the social hall we will say goodbye to Rev. Jennie, who happens to LOVE ice cream! Everyone is invited to the Ice Cream Social at **12:20 p.m.** (to give our volunteers time to join us at the beginning.) We will have lots of toppings, Vegan Banana Ice Cream, and popcorn too! Please join in as we show our appreciation for all Rev. Jennie has done as UUCC's interim minister. Contact Janet Swigler at [jlswigler@aol.com](mailto:jlswigler@aol.com).

### **UUCC Book Club: Updated**

The next book club discussion is 6:30 pm on **Sunday, June 25** at 6:30 p.m. Marlene Mackey will facilitate a discussion on *Tea at the Cavendish* by Ronald D. Edge. We will meet at a member's home. The UUCC Book Club is open to all members and friends of UUCC. We welcome new and returning participants! Please contact Ruthie Saunders if you have questions or would like more information: [rsaunders@sc.edu](mailto:rsaunders@sc.edu)

### **Women's Book Group, Tuesday, July 11**



The Women's Book Group will meet at 7:00 p.m. in Room 8 on Tuesday, July 11 to discuss *Losing Moses on the Freeway: The 10 Commandments in America*, by Chris Hedg-es. If you have any questions, please contact Sandy Chubon, 776-0784 or [sjchubon@sc.rr.com](mailto:sjchubon@sc.rr.com).

### **Did You Say White Supremacy?**

Yes, you might have heard about our upcoming Teach In on white supremacy culture, the white culture all around us that we as white people don't see but that is isolating to people of color. Find out what we're talking about on our website here: [bit.ly/uucc-teachin](http://bit.ly/uucc-teachin) and join us on **Sunday, July 23** to learn more.



# Religious Education

## Hogwarts School of Magic and Fun Sign-up

Registration for Hogwarts is open only the second week, July 24– 28. Please reserve your child's space before the second week fills, too! The cost to members for registering your child for one week is \$150.00 with a deposit of \$75.00 required at time of registration. The cost for non-members is \$200.00 with \$100.00 due at time of registration. To register, please see, call or email our Director of Religious Education, Stephanie Palmer-Smith, at 799-0845 or dre@uucolumbia.org.



## We Are UUs Summer Program for Youth (note date changes)

Is your 13 – 17 year old ready to deepen their UU identity? Our UU summer camp will provide games and stories to help them deepen their faith while enjoying their UU friends. We will cover topics such as UU history, spiritual practices, and decision making. “Camp” will run the week of Tuesday June 27 – Saturday July 1st in the evenings with an over-night lock-in on Friday night. Please see the sign-up sheet at the

CYRE table in the Social Hall.

## CYRE Calendar

Sunday June 18<sup>th</sup> – Multigenerational with Rev. Jeff (there are new fidget bags for children under 7 and new puzzles for older children)  
Sunday June 25 – Navigating to New Zealand with Don Dodson and Pat Mohr  
Sunday July 2 – TBA  
Sunday July 9 – puppet theater creation with Gail Dawson

## Thank you!

*CYRE would like to thank the following folks for gifts of items and time:*

- Roy Morgan for the amazing telescope
- Ann Johnson for the books
- Barbie Seymour for the Hogwarts materials
- Adam and Bill for rearranging our CYRE rooms
- Keitha for leading our CYRE team with loving care
- All of the members who have signed up to lead a Passport tour
- Bethany and boys for selling coffee
- Terrence and Jonathan for offering to roast coffee
- Hogwarts professors, Heads of House, and Head students for their insight and time
- Lis Turner for her devotion to feeding us yummy , healthy snacks
- To all the parents who trust us with the religious education of their children
- To Katie and Erin who nurture our babies and toddlers
- Lilith and Emerson for offering our CYRE committee their time and insight
- Cindy Bowie for help with puppets
- Meg White and Julieanna Turner who are helping with the CUUBS outings
- To Sej whose scholarship will help a needy student get an education
- And all of you out there whom I have forgotten or who are helping us thrive by the support you give us.

## CYRE Recruiting for Assistance

Sunday July 23, our congregation-wide White Supremacy teach-in we will be singing our children out in their bathing suits!!! Yes, it will be our annual CYRE water day and your children and youth will need to come dressed to get wet (and don't forget the sunscreen, towels, etc.) We encourage older youth to stay for the teach-in as they have some wonderful insight regarding how our society continues to feed a white privilege that many of us do not see but our younger ones will be heading out, rain or shine, to play with water guns, slip and slides and all sorts of water games. We need 3 more volunteers to make this happen! Please sign up with Stephanie to enjoy the water fun!

## CUUBS Outing to Columbia Marionette Theater

CUUBS (Children UUs Beyond Sundays group) will be gathering Saturday June 17<sup>th</sup> at 10:30 a.m. We will meet at the UU, venture out to the Columbia Marionette Theater to enjoy “Little Red Riding Hood” and come back to the UU for lunch together. Please sign your elementary age student up on the sign-up sheet in the Social Hall. Would you like to chaperone? Please talk with Stephanie.

**UUCB Board of Trustees**  
**Summary of March 15, 2017 Meeting**

The Board of Trustees met March 15, 2017 from 6:30 to 7:40 PM

**Treasurer's Report**

Bob Whitaker reported that we are in good shape financially with pledges just under expectation while non-pledge giving, plate collections and fund-raising are over the expected figures. Capital Campaign payments are at \$110,709.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS**

**Technology Services**

We have a donation of \$5,000 to purchase a service for hearing impaired members and friends. David Roof is working with the donors to find the right fit for our sanctuary.

**Building & Grounds**

We have a newly installed HVAC system in the library. Phil painted over the burn marks on the wall and ceiling of the stage. The work day postponed because of a memorial service has been rescheduled for April 1.

**Membership**

The New Member Dinner is scheduled for March 25. Our membership is over 200 again.

**CYRE**

Hogwarts Camps have been announced. The planned OWL class has been postponed until one more person applies. The car wash was postponed due to snow.

**Building Renovation**

Richard reported that group informational meetings with the congregation and staff have occurred. Richard will meet with Peck Drennen and incorporate feedback ideas from those meetings into the plan.

**NEW BUSINESS**

It was clarified that our annual meeting will be held June 4, 2017.

**Ministerial Search Committee**

The Committee has reported that they only have one candidate left. They plan to make an offer to that individual March 30. They would like direction from the Board about how to proceed if their offer is not accepted. After some discussion the Trustees agreed to have the Search Committee initiate Round 2 of the UUA search process.

**Delegates to GA**

Phil reported that Pippin Whitaker has rejoined our congregation and would like to be considered as a GA delegate. The Board agreed to accept her offer.

Minutes recorded by Joan Watterson, summarized by Sandy Chubon

# Meetings & Rentals

Art For All Group	Thursdays	10:00 am	Social Hall
Board Meeting	Wednesday, June 21	6:30 pm	Social Hall
Chair Yoga	Suspended for Summer		
Children & Youth RE Committee	TBA		
Choir	Sunday, June 25	9:30 am	Sanctuary
Committee Night	1st Wednesday of month	6:00 pm	Dinner in the Social Hall
CUUP's, Gaia's Rising	Every Thursday	7:30 pm	Library
Forum	Every Sunday	9:30 am	Library
Green Committee	TBA	6:30 pm	Classroom # 8
Knit or Not	Every Monday	7:00 pm	Classroom # 8
Membership Committee	1st Wednesday of month	7:00 pm	Classroom
Visitor Orientation	Sunday, TBA	12:15 pm	Library
Science & Religion	2 <sup>nd</sup> Thursday	7:00 pm	Classroom # 8
September Set	Friday, June 23	<b>6:00 pm</b>	Social Hall
Social Action Committee	Wednesday, July 5	7:00 pm	Classroom
Technology Committee	Wednesday, July 5	6:00 pm	Workroom 1
UU Animal Ministry	Thursday, June 14	5:00 pm	Classroom # 5
UU Book Club	Sunday, June 25	6:30 pm	Member's Home
UU Humanist	4 <sup>th</sup> Thursday	7:00 pm	Classroom # 8
UU Partner Church Committee	Lee Minghi, 798-0904; Carita Barr, 782-0053	TBA	
Women's Book Club	Tuesday, July 11	7:00 pm	Classroom # 8
Writing Group	Suspended for Summer	6:30 pm	Classroom # 5
<b>Rentals</b>			
La Leche League	3rd Tuesdays	6-8pm	Classroom # 5
Sitting with Sadness	Every Monday	7-8:15 pm	Social Hall
Tai Chi 803-772-9557 columbia.sc@taoist.org	Every Thursday	6:30 pm	Social Hall
Meditation	Every Monday	7:00 pm	Library
Men's AA	Every Tuesday	6:30 pm	Social Hall
Agnostic AA	Every Sunday	5:00 pm	Library
Women's AA	Every Wednesday	6:30 pm	Library

## The Seven Principles of Unitarian Universalism

Grateful for the religious pluralism that enriches and ennobles our faith, we are inspired to deepen our understanding and expand our vision. We covenant to affirm and promote:

1. The inherent worth and dignity of every person
2. Justice, equity, and compassion in human relationships
3. Acceptance of one another and encouragement of spiritual growth in our congregations
4. A free and responsible search for truth and meaning
5. The right of conscience and the use of the democratic process within our congregations and society at large
6. The goal of world community with peace, liberty, and justice for all
7. Respect for the interdependent web of existence of which we are a part

If these principles reflect your understanding of the world and appeal to your sense of spiritual fulfillment, we invite you to consider membership in the Unitarian Universalist Congregation of Columbia. If you would like to discuss membership or if you would simply like more information, please speak to any member of the Membership Committee or of the Board of Trustees.

### UUC Board of Trustees

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