

HIGHLIGHTS

To create the Beloved Community by inspiring and empowering all souls to live bold and compassionate lives.

Got Vision?

By Rev. Kathleen Rolenz



Welcome back! It's been quite an amazing summer of excellent worship services (lead by the Worship Leaders) and some vacation time (for me). Overlaid against the lovely (albeit wet) weather we've had all summer is of course the lingering memories of the tragedy from June 28th. While we are all finding our own ways to get back to *normal* there will be for some time, the feeling of having lost a part of us that will never be replaced.

I'm also aware that the pace of change at UUCA must feel quite overwhelming. While changes in staff and other parts of church life are absolutely normal for the interim time, it must still feel like a LOT of change in a short amount of time.

What holds a church community together during times of change? The first answer is, of course, the people and their commitment to sticking with one another through the change. The second, institutional answer can be found in three ways: a church's vision, its mission and its guiding documents (i.e. by-laws and governance). These documents provide vision, focus and stability especially when it may feel like we've not yet landed in the Promised Land.

This month, we take up the theme of "Vision". In September, we'll spend some time unpacking what it means to have both vision and the means to make that vision a reality. Both the Board and the Governance Team have been working on UUCA's vision for its future (more to be revealed later this fall)!

UUCA is in a unique position this fall to dream and articulate not only the vision of who you are, but who you wish to become. To that end, I'll be co-leading an important congregational gathering entitled *Telling Your Story* from November 2 – 3 (mark your calendars now)! This is an important part of both the interim work and the work the congregation needs to do to prepare for its next minister or ministry configuration.

I'm excited to be part of this envisioning & dreaming process with you as together, we seek to make this vision a reality. See you in church! Rev. Kathleen



Our New Intern Minister

By Leika Lewis-Cornwell



Greetings, dear ones! I am overjoyed to have joined you this month as your newest Intern Minister. Thank you for welcoming me so warmly to this new role. UUCA's reputation as a strong and vibrant teaching congregation is well-established, and as I mentioned my internship on social media, many former interns shared their own fond memories of Annapolis; I bring to you not only my own greetings, but the warmth and blessings of the line of interns who have served before me.

Annapolis is part of my own narrative and heritage; as a member of a military family, *hometown* is an elusive concept, but the DC area is where I was born and where my heart was bred. I cherish memories of watching the Blue Angels as a child, of harbor walk dates with my spouse when we were dating, of bringing our daughter to see the historic buildings downtown. I suspect you may have some of those same memories, whether you are a legacy Annapolitan or a fellow transplant. Like Annapolis, together we bring a tapestry of experiences to UUCA—legacies of weddings and baby dedications in this building, of going out to journey through the world and then back home, and of finding a safe port here after sailing through storms or wilderness—we all make this place richer in community. My own path began in evangelical Christian traditions, and I have many family members who also walk

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Blood Drive Honoring Wendi Winters

By Laura Schrank

UUCA is partnering with The American Red Cross to host a blood drive in honor of Wendi Winters.

Date: September 15, 2018

Location: Wiley H. Bates Middle School
701 Chase St, Annapolis, MD 21401

Time: 10 AM to 4 PM

*We highly recommend making an appointment to donate by clicking [HERE](#).

If you have any questions or would like to volunteer to help with the drive, please contact [Laura Schrank](#).

Sunday Services at UUCA - Two Services Beginning 9/16 /18

September 2 @ 10 AM- *Living the Vision: A Question Box Sermon* with Rev. Kathleen Rolenz & Rev. John Crestwell
On this Labor Day Weekend Sunday, Revs. Kathleen and John will host a “Question Box” Sunday. What that means is that you submit questions and we will do our best to answer them! Music by Joshua Long.

September 9 @ 10 AM - *Be Thou My Vision: Ingathering Water Ceremony*

This Multigenerational Service of Homecoming recognizes the end of summer and the beginning of “the church year.” To ritualize that transition, everyone is invited to bring some water from a special place you’ve been this summer – whether close to home or farther away, to put in our common bowl. Ingathering potluck picnic following service (see page 5). Nursery care provided for ages 4 and under. Music by the UUCA Choir.

September 16 @ 9 AM & 11:15 AM - *Is Forgiveness the Only Option?* with Rev. Kathleen Rolenz

“There are plenty of misconceptions about the role of forgiveness in our lives. Some of these are indeed grounded in religious teachings; others are secular attempts to express the need to forgive. But what about the commitment of acts which are unforgiveable? What do we do with those? This service will draw upon the Jewish traditions of Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur’s The Day of Atonement. Music by the UUCA Choir.

September 23 @ 9 AM & 11:15 AM - *Circle of Joy* with Leika Lewis-Cornwell

Who is your neighbor? What does it mean to be a community together? This service will celebrate the bounty of the harvest, the joy of intentional fellowship, and the warmth of hearth and shared table. Music by the UUCA Worship Band and UUCA Community Drum Circle. Drummers are welcome to bring their drum and join in!

September 30 @ 9 AM & 11:15 AM - *Waking Up Woes and Wows* with Rev. John Crestwell

In liberal circles being “woke” is a popular saying these days. It’s “in” to be aware—but aware of what? This Sunday Rev John delves into why there are woes and wows as we awaken to the true realities of what life really is. Child dedications will take place this Sunday (see article on page 6). Music by Sara Jones.

Religious Exploration by Dayna Edwards

I am so glad to be back at UUCA, a congregation that has truly given me both roots and wings. I come back to you with now seven years of experience leading religious education programs and it is so exciting to be a part of this innovative staffing model, that we are trying this year. As our team works diligently to prepare for the new year, let me share with you some of what we’re planning for the fall.

Our Children’s Programming will continue with the excellent Middle Hour religious education that you have come to expect. Keely Longo has stepped into the position of DRE for Children’s Programming. ***There are now several volunteer opportunities available for people who love working with our little ones.***

We are considering expanding the children’s chapel that has typically taken place when the children are sung out once per month. We need your voice to determine how this expansion will look. We’d like to offer children’s chapel every Sunday instead of childcare. This is a prime opportunity for children to learn and celebrate their UU identity by practicing being in worship in a developmentally appropriate way. ***Keely and I are looking to form a children’s chapel team of about four people who will rotate leading the children’s chapel.*** There will still be opportunities for people to share their expertise and/or passion as you all have done in the past. Children’s worship

can take many forms, so if you’d like to help shape it, please contact [Keely](#) directly.

Our youth ages 10 and up will keep all of the beloved curriculum from previous years, Building Bridges, OWL, COA, and YRUU consecutively. [Julie Burman](#) (DRE Youth) and [Laura Schrank](#) (Youth Coordinator) want to hear from you.

There are two ways you can help our new staff get acclimated to their new roles at UUCA. First, volunteer to help on Sunday morning. Even if you don’t have children (or if your children are grown) your time and relationships mean the world to our children and youth. Second, assume good intentions as we get used to our roles and this experimental staffing model. In Camp Beagle we teach our children to experiment, be scientists, try new things. What an excellent opportunity we have to model that for them. Compassion, understanding, and humor will take us to places we have yet to imagine. All Sunday School programming will start September 16.

Volunteer Training – Saturday, September 8 2018 from 1:00 PM to 5:00 PM in the Main Sanctuary (for those interested in and/or committed to volunteering with children and youth)

Membership Matters

by Joshua Long, Membership & Growth Coordinator



The theme for September is Vision. As we begin a new church calendar year, we should be thinking about where we will be in June 2019. In the welcoming and membership areas, I'm asking that we become comfortable with the language of growth, by striving to grow the quantity and quality of our shared sacred community.

Talking about growth is a challenge when considering all the *changes* taking place around us while continuing to cope with the communal trauma we suffered a mere two months ago. Yet, we must be intentional about our potential to grow. This summer, we welcomed many visitors, many who had already checked us out on the internet, streamed a service on Facebook, or came to see what a progressive church community looks like. Thornell Jones gave an inspiring message asking us to envision UUCA in 2025. We have the potential to become a multicultural, multi-generational, multi-gender, progressive congregation. A congregation that is open, welcoming, and affirming to all who come, AND, is actively working to dismantle systems of oppression within our body and in the community. I have hope that UUCA will get there. This church year, we will be expanding the welcoming and membership department.

The following teams will be working together to help us not only grow in numbers but to foster more integral relationships within the church community. I want to thank all those who currently serve or participate in these areas and welcome anyone who may be interested in being a part any of these areas.

Current Membership Teams: Greeters, Ushers, Beacons, Small Group Ministry, Inquirers.

New Opportunities to Serve: Growth/Marketing Team, Social Media Team, Volunteer Team

Open positions: Greeter Coordinator - Greeters - Ushers

Small Group Facilitators (Eastern Shore, Crownsville, Parole)

Small Group members - groups located all over Annapolis and adjacent counties

Lastly, I want to personally invite you to the **UUCA Hospitality Training Session on September 8, from 9:30 - 11:30 AM**. This is an all-church training, open to anyone who would like to attend, however, I am strongly urging those who are greeting, teaching the Inquirers sessions, ushering, and are a part of the Welcoming & Membership team to attend. This training will focus on specific scenarios that can make or break our interaction with visitors. We will also be looking at how we can implement the 8th principle of inclusion so that we avoid macro and micro aggressions, [RSVP](#) so we can know exactly how many will be in attendance.

Administrative Update

by Susan Eckert, Business Administrator

In less than three weeks the church will resume two services, Middle Hour, and the corresponding return/ramp-up of regularly occurring programs, meetings and activities that mark the church year mid-September through mid-May. With time short, I'll be brief. At the close of July revenues exceeded expenses by \$19.5k year-to-date, which is a great place to be at this time of year. Revenues have been strong thanks to robust sales in the Art Gallery, building rental income, generosity in the Sunday Plate, and high enrollment for the perennial favorite "Camp Beagle". On the flip side, expenses remain relatively in check. The overall level of pledges on the books as of July 31 increased slightly to \$539,008 - very close to our fiscal year budgeted goal of \$540,000 and another positive sign for mid-year financials. July and August pledge groups: if you have not submitted your pledge (you know who you are), mail that form today, or better yet, complete the pledge form online at: tinyURL.com/pledgeuuca.

I want to give a shout-out and thank you to some very special volunteers who have given a tremendous amount of time, energy and/or financial resources toward maintaining church buildings and grounds.

- Ginny Klocko for her care and maintenance of the memorial garden on the hottest of days.
- Craig Beyler and Matthew Beyler for donating materials and labor to repair the concrete stairwell outside the DRE office and classrooms.
- Lisa & Pat Fleeharty, Win Decker, and Joe Jehl for the never-ending tending of the rain gardens.
- Dianne Moreau for taking the lead on replacing the 18-year old carpet in the Sanctuary, Foyer & Narthex.
- Craig Beyler and Fred Eckert for donating materials and labor to replace the foot bridge between the main building and Fahs House.
- Charlie Gross for the countless projects he undertakes each week, from re-stripping parking lots to changing light bulbs and water filters, and most of the ongoing handyman tasks that continually arise.



In closing, I hope to continue with some Sundays off in the fall. Office hours in September will be the 2nd, 16th & 30th.

Board of Trustees Update

by Heather Millar, President

It was with sadness and regret that I accepted the resignation of Jane Carrigan as Board of Trustees secretary. Jane has done and continues to do much for our congregation and was beginning to contribute even more as our Board secretary. However, she found events in her life were preventing her from participating as she had planned. Following UUCA bylaws, Board members voted to ask Caryn Jackson to serve as Board Secretary until our next Congregational Meeting when the congregation will vote. I am delighted to report that Caryn has accepted. We look forward to her perspective on the Board.

The UUA held its General Assembly (GA) in Kansas City in late June. UUCA was represented by Betty Crowley, Bob Ertman, Thornell Jones, Phyllis Marsh, Heather Millar, and Dianne Moreau. By example, the UUA demonstrated ways we can alter how we function as an institution. This is especially important as we implement the 8th Principle to “accountably dismantle racism and other forms of oppression in ourselves and our institutions.”

Co-moderators lead GA business meetings efficiently and with clarity. One assisted while the other handled the microphone. They supported each other, sometimes being leader and other times being helper.

To promote consensus, three options regarding voting were offered. 1) I support the motion. 2) I do not have enough objections to oppose the motion. 3) I object enough that I need additional conversation. For discussion two microphones were provided. At the “Pro” mic advocates for the motion spoke. At the “Con” mic, those who needed to raise concerns spoke.

A bylaw amendment was introduced to change the gender specific nouns of “women and men” in the second of our sources to non-gender specific “people.” To prepare for general discussion of the motion, delegates were given a few minutes to talk with another person about thoughts on how this amendment improves the bylaw and concerns about the proposed change.

The Board of Trustees Report was given with a moderator interviewing Board members who sat on stage in comfortable chairs. As the Board members discussed their answers with each other to two questions, we learned about what the Board actually does, how it functions and what is being planned.

To have delegates experience communicating within covenant and generate input from all on the vision for and the mission of Unitarian Universalism, a process was implemented that began with small group discussions. Ideas expressed in this intimate setting were shared with other groups. Common themes were identified.

These ideas were assembled into a word cloud and presented to the entire Assembly. Over 600 delegates participated in this activity. While content was gathered, more importantly the delegates experienced deep conversations, they practiced respectful listening and sharing.

We are looking at these and other examples of doing things in new ways as we revise our governance documents and look to conduct our business and activities to be more accessible and inclusive. The next Board meeting will be held on September 10th beginning at 6:45 PM in the library.

Camp Beagle Needs You!

by Nancy Kules, Admiral

Ahoy! Camp Beagle IX is over, and as we prepare for next year’s 10th anniversary edition we would like to hear from you and your sailors!

What did you and your little ones particularly like about Camp Beagle this year? Where could we improve for next year? And be thinking about whether you want to jump in, join the fun and participate next year as Captain, Harbormaster, First Mate or Deck Hand.

Please watch your e-mail boxes for our annual survey, or

pick one up in the Narthex before or after our services in September. The deadline for submission is September 30.

Camp Beagle IX welcomed 84 Campers and over 55 volunteers! Our amazing team of volunteers consisted of a wide range of church members who truly poured their love and care on our campers, I personally thank each and every one of you wholeheartedly for your dedication to our children.

I am looking forward to your survey responses as we prepare for CAMP BEAGLE X!



BBC 8th Principle Middle Hour Series

By Linda Mundy

The BBC Committee is offering a series of Middle Hour sessions this fall to provide opportunities for members of our congregation to practice and live UUCA's resolution for the 8th Principle:

We covenant to affirm and promote: journeying toward spiritual wholeness to build a diverse multicultural Beloved Community by our actions that accountably dismantle racism and other oppressions in ourselves and our institutions.

Please mark your calendar and join us:

- September 16: Session 1 - Color Blindness and the Good/Bad Binary
- September 23: Special event Debbie Irving: *Waking Up White* 2-5:00 PM
- September 30: Session 2 - Historical Foundations of White Supremacy
- October 7: Session 3 - White Privilege & Unconscious Bias
- October 14: Session 4 - Race & Ethnicity in our Society
- October 21: Session 5 - Racism as a System
- October 28: Session 6 - Cycle of Oppression
- November 4: Session 7 - Micro-aggressions
- November 11: Session 8 - Tools for Being a White Ally: Exploring Ways to Fight and Heal from Racism

The BBC will be offering these classes again in the winter - our goal is for every member of our congregation to complete this series. Contact: [Don Patterson](#).

A.A. County IAF Sponsoring Committee Launch

Thursday, October 4, 7:00 (Location TBA)

The Anne Arundel County IAF Sponsoring Committee is the *September Share-the-Plate* recipient. The AACo IAF Sponsoring Committee is a strictly non-partisan *organization of organizations* made up of over 20 local faith communities and institutions working together to build community power so that people's voices are represented and solutions presented... at the places where decisions are made. We build power by forming deep relationships within our organizations and our communities, never acting *for* anyone, but always *with*. If you are interested in understanding more about [IAF](#), this event is a MUST!

Share the Plate this Fall

We are pleased to announce the Share-the-Plate recipients for this fall: **September** - IAF (see above); **October** - Center for Help/OHLA; **November** - Anne Arundel Conflict Resolution Center; **December** - Charting Careers Program

The congregation will be able to propose and vote on recipients for 2019 in the month of December.

UUCA Choir Begins Fall Season

By Len Langrick

Rehearsals start on Wednesday, September 5th, from 7:00-9:00 PM. New members welcome! The UUCA Choir sings two Sundays each month from September through May. The choir sings in harmony, and explores music from a wide variety of styles, cultures, and theological perspectives. Rehearsals are Wednesday in the sanctuary.

Contact: [Len Langrick](#)

Arts In The Woods - Brian Ganz & Cynthia Word

By Paula Degen

On **Sunday, September 2nd, at 3:00 PM**, Brian Ganz returns to UUCA as the featured artist at Arts In The Woods sharing the program with dancer Cynthia Word. Cynthia is founder and artistic director of the Washington, D.C.-based Word Dance Theater, a cross-disciplinary performing arts company engaging dancers, playwrights, actors, musicians, and media artists in creating dynamic theatrical productions. In the program for UUCA titled "Movement in Sound and Space," Cynthia interprets through modern dance the classical piano compositions played by Brian. Throughout the program the artists will share the stories behind the art. Engaging audiences in dialogue has been one of the hallmarks of the UUCA concert series—something performers can rarely do in larger settings. Please join us on Sunday, September 2nd, at 3:00 PM for one of the most innovative and entertaining programs of the series and to show our appreciation to Brian Ganz for his commitment to bringing the finest fusion of music and art to UUCA. This program, in particular, should appeal to aspiring young musicians and dancers, and tickets are free for ages 16 and under. For others, tickets are just \$15 at the door.



Annual Ingathering Potluck

Join us outdoors (weather permitting) on Sunday, September 9th, after the 10:00 AM service, for UUCA's Annual Ingathering Potluck! Bring your blanket and a dish to share. Lunch is potluck-style, so please bring a dish to share.

If your last name begins with (see below) please bring:

A– F: Green or fruit salad

G – J: Finger foods like cheese & crackers/veggies & dip

K – Q: Entrée or hearty side dish

R – Z: Dessert

Beverages will be provided.

UUCA & UU Humanists Support Plebe Program

By Cliff Andrew

This is the 8th summer that the UUCA & UU Humanists have supported the Secular Midshipmen Society's (SMS) Plebe Summer Program. This year we met Sunday mornings with 35 Naval Academy Plebes who self-identified as agnostic, atheist, freethinker, humanist, naturalist, and skeptic for alternative activity to otherwise theist-based services. We spent time letting the Plebes discuss their own personal principles, and beliefs and were moved by many heart-rending stories about parental attitudes towards their personal worldviews. We also spent time discussing current principles and attitudes on integrity, science, reason, naturalism, wonder, humility, respect, compassion, community. In September the program transitions to the entire brigade switching to regular SMS meetings.

Mindfulness Practice Group

By Phyllis Culham

September's Featured Mindfulness Practice: Meditative Judaism
The Mindfulness Practice Group meets from 7 - 8:30 PM in the sanctuary every Thursday for silent meditation and a program. *Introduction to Mindfulness & Meditation* with guided meditation is being offered every Sunday from 8:30-9:30 AM in the Emerson Room in the Fahs House.

This highlights our offerings for the Jewish High Holy Days:

Sun. Sept. 9: Rosh Hashanah begins. *In All Your Ways: Jewish Mindfulness of Each Moment*

Thurs. Sept. 20: Yom Kippur ends on the 19th.
"Emulation of Evil" [!] Jewish Nonduality

Sun. Sept. 23: Sukkoth begins. Jewish Meditation on Natural Objects. Contact: [Phyllis Culham](#)

Light House and Light House Bistro Update

By John Fischer

A brief look at how the Light House has been serving the community and their new initiatives and services.

The Safe Harbor Resource Center (SHRC) was established months ago to work with those in the community who are in danger of becoming homeless, homeless individuals who seek assistance but not shelter, and those who are otherwise in need (assistance with preventing utility disconnection, etc.). This operation is on the back side of 10 Hudson St. with a separate entrance that precludes those seeking special assistance from having to compete for attention with the resident population and regular building visitors. This initiative has been a huge success and there are plans to expand services from 20 hours per week to 40 hours in the future. The SHRC is in need of volunteers (visit their [web page](#)).

The B.E.S.T program is being reorganized, with more emphasis on apprenticeship and on-the-job training. The next class will start in early October. Expect to see more Culinary BEST students at the Bistro as their training progresses in the Fall. Those in the maintenance track will benefit from a new partnership between Light House and the local ABC

UU Humanists September Book Discussion

By Cliff Andrew

Sapiens – A Brief History of Mankind by Yuval Noah Harari

1st & 3rd Tuesdays September 4 & 18 UUCA Narthex

6:00 PM Potluck Dinner - 6:30 PM Book Discussion

2nd & 4th Sundays September 9 & 23 Emerson Rm (Fahs)

Sept. 9 @ 11:30 AM bring a light brunch item to share

Sept. 23 @ 12:30 PM bring a light brunch item to share

UU Humanists: Science, Reason, Integrity, Naturalism, Wonder, Humility, Respect, Compassion, and Community
Our meetings are open to all and we welcome newcomers.

This book is available for purchase in the UUCA bookstore.

Contact: [Cliff Andrew](#)

Child Dedication on Sunday, Sept. 30th

By Kathleen C. Rolenz

A Child Dedication Ritual will be offered on Sunday, September 30th at both services (9:00 & 11:15 AM). This is an important rite of passage for infants, toddlers, children, their family and loved ones. During this service we honor and recognize the parents, grandparents, and family friends who will be part of this child's life. As a religious community, we dedicate ourselves to the raising of the child. If you wish to participate in this ritual, please let Rev. Kathleen Rolenz know by Sunday, September 23rd. She will be in touch with you about the logistics of that Sunday and to let you know what to expect. Contact: [Rev. Kathleen Rolenz](#)

(Associated Builders and Contractors) group.

The UUCA Development Fund recently awarded the Light House a \$5,000 grant to help with a major reconfiguration of the computer and job search center. This money has already been put to work with the purchase of new computers and other equipment for the center.

The Career Closet will be shut down in September and part of October for a make over. The Light House will not be accepting clothing donations for the next couple of months. If you're interested in seeing what's going on at the Light House, stop by and take a look for yourself. Better yet, volunteer to help out. Light House sends out a monthly volunteer update. The update for August can be found [here](#). Also remember that the Church serves dinner at the shelter every month on the second Saturday. Contact [Rob Malone](#) to volunteer.

The Light House Bistro, is routinely one of the highest ranked Annapolis restaurants on Trip Advisor and Yelp. It's now listed on Open Table. The Bistro is encouraging Church groups to hold meetings there for breakfast or lunch by offering free coffee for groups on weekdays. If you have further questions please contact [John Fischer](#) or [Rob Malone](#).

Events & Happenings at UUCA

African Diaspora Identity Group: A relational group of adults that meet monthly to share experiences, perspectives, and challenges particular to individuals of African descent. Newcomers welcome. Contact: LE Gomez; le_for3@yahoo.com.

Amnesty International: The Annapolis Chapter of Amnesty International meets on the 2nd Sunday of each month at 1PM in the Reeb Room of the Fahs House. All are invited, especially members of the UUCA congregation who believe that one person can make a difference. Come check us out.

Coming to the Table: meets on the 3rd Monday of the month at 7:00 PM in the sanctuary. Dissolving racism with understanding through conversation. Contact: Jane Carrigan; janeccarrigan54@gmail.com.

Fiber Arts Fellowship: needle crafters who meet on the second Thursday and fourth Sunday in the Young room. [Summer sessions vary] Contact: Ginger Parsons; ginparsons@aol.com

Full Circle: meets monthly at 7:30 PM on the Friday night closest to the full moon. An experiential earth-based celebration open to all women over age 18.

Contact Keely Longo; kelongo705346@gmail.com.

Gallery at 333: The Gallery at 333 is open Mon.-Thurs. from 10:00 AM to 3:00 PM and Sundays from 10:00 AM to 12:00 PM. Contact Debbie Boudra; dancindebart@comcast.net.

Introduction to Mindfulness and Meditation: Beginner-friendly session every Sunday at 8:30 AM in the Emerson Room. For those who want to learn the basics of meditation and those who just want another opportunity to practice with a group.

Contact Phyllis Culham; mpg@uuannapolis.org.

“Inquirers” Series - Classes for Newcomers: A program to educate and integrate newcomers and to serve as a refresher for long-timers. The series is 8 one-hour classes led by ministers, staff and church members during Middle Hour or after church service in the summer months. Contact: Josh Long; jlong@uuannapolis.org

Light House Shelter Meals: UUCA members and friends prepare and serve dinner to shelter residents on the second Saturday of the month. If you are interested in helping with meals for the Shelter, contact Rob Malone; rmalone68@gmail.com.

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the way of ministry in the Church of Christ (acapella, not UCC) and in Pentecostal churches. My personal spiritual practice embraces the mystery, awe, and wonder found at the nexus of many paths, including Earth-centered and science-focused ways of seeking the big questions together. I look forward to exploring all of our UU sources with you in the services I lead the next two years, as I believe deeply that it is in our beautiful diversity that we are the strongest.

Since I will be doing a two-year part-time internship, I wanted to share with you my normal office hours, which will be Monday-Wednesday from 3:00 – 4:00 PM; Thursday from 10:00 AM to 4:00 PM, and Sunday from 7:00 AM to 1:00 PM. I will also be attending evening meetings as needed. I look forward to journeying with you, and to meeting or getting to know each of you better soon!

Mindfulness Practice Group: meets every Thursday in the sanctuary at 7:00 PM for meditation and dharma discussion.

Contact Phyllis Culham; mpg@uuannapolis.org.

Outdoor Club: Holds monthly outdoor activities and outings for nature observation, companionship, spiritual sharing, and exercise.

Contact: Eloise Hoyt; eloisehoyt@verizon.net

The Tuesday Noon Lunch Bunch: Meets weekly mid-September - May in the narthex. Bring your lunch to eat during the half-hour social time, watch episodes of *CBS Religion & Culture News* as well as local & UU material suggested by the lunchers. Discussion follows. Contact: Bob Ertman; robertertman@msn.com.

UUCA Choir: with director Len Langrick; rehearses September-May every Wednesday at 7:00 PM. Provides relevant music twice a month for Sunday services. New members always welcome.

Contact: Len Langrick; llangrick@uuannapolis.org

UUCA Community Drum Circle: Looking to connect with others in a spiritual yet visceral way? Try the Drum Circle! No musical experience necessary. Meets on the second Monday and fourth Tuesday in the sanctuary at 7:30 PM. Contact Chad Holmes

UU Legislative Ministry of MD (UULM-MD): UULM-MD is a statewide advocacy network comprised of individual members and affiliated UU congregations. UULM-MD provides a voice in legislative action for UU values, principles and traditions. UUCA provides leadership, resources and support to UULM-MD. Contact: Margery Knight; margeryknight@gmail.com or call 410-266-8044, ext. 111.

UU Humanists: Naturalism-Science-Reason-Wonder-Compassion-Community-Respect. Book discussions and film viewings. Meets the 1st & 3rd Tuesday of the month; 6:00 PM potluck and 7:00 PM discussion; in the narthex and the 2nd & 4th Sunday at 11:15 AM in the Emerson room. Contact Cliff Andrew at 410-404-7170 or neuro@jhmi.edu.

UU Theists: A group of people interested in a UU perspective of theism. Meets the second Sunday of the month before the first service. Contact: John Fischer; jwlfischer@gmail.com.

Women in Transition: A covenant group of women meeting to support each other with change and its adjustments and to build affiliations with UUCA members and community.

Contact: Sara Moulton; saramoulton33@gmail.com

Volunteer Opportunities this Month

Building Expansion Committee Forming

UUCA is beginning to outgrow our space. Paul Jorgensen, former co-chair of the Building Expansion Exploration Committee is looking for a team of individuals to work with him on a new committee. This team will be assessing our congregations' current and future space needs as well as developing a plan for future renovation and expansion. Contact [Rev. Kathleen Rolenz](mailto:Rev.KathleenRolenz) by September 15 if you are interested in this important opportunity to make a difference for the future of UUCA.

UUCA Bookstore Needs New Leader.

Do you enjoy browsing at the bookstore? If so, consider becoming the next “proprietor” of the bookstore! Talk to Tom Moore about how to volunteer. Tom will be stepping down from his role sometime this fall.



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Closed Saturday and Sunday

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