

UUCC Community News

Unitarian Universalist Community Church

OCTOBER 2023



SUNDAY WORSHIP SERVICE 10:00AM

Sunday services have resumed in the building. Please join us in person or via [Zoom](#).

UUCC COVID UPDATE: The UUCC Board of Trustees has lifted Covid restrictions in the church. The congregation can determine their own level of risk and any need to continue to wear a mask in public settings. The only exception to this will be when we have in-church speakers who may request that congregants wear a mask during their service. We will notify you ahead of time if this occurs.

OCTOBER SUNDAY SERVICES

Oct 1 Beverly 'Oye' Reed-Scott
Title: TBD

Oct 8 Rev Henrietta Byrd
Title: I A B Y A (I Am Because You Are)
I Am Because You Are and You Are Because I Am. In other words, we are all connected.

Oct 15 Rev. Larry McClellan
Title: History Changes
Our past is always present. Sometimes it changes or needs to be changed. Reframing the Underground Railroad.

Oct 22 Rev. Denise Tracy
Title: Whose church is it, anyway?
The UUA is in the midst of some changes. What are they? Where have they originated? What are the choices of we people in the pews?

Oct 29 Nancy Irons
Title: Celebrating Samhain
Samhain is the third and final harvest festival of the year. This is a time of nipping frost, falling leaves and coming darkness. The veil between the worlds is thin and spirits can pass through. Join us for reflections on our ancestors. (Everyone is encouraged to wear a Halloween costume and bring change for UNICEF.)



First Sunday Potluck October 1st after worship

Join us for this time of Fellowship!
Please bring a food item.



Samhain

by Lilith 2019

<https://hellopoetry.com/words/samhain/>

Samhain,
What does it mean?
Is it just Halloween?
Welcome the dark,
Not the evil,
Welcome the seasons,
And be peaceful,
Dress up and play pretend,
Join together,
in a song that never ends,
Celebrate with me,
In a night filled with glee,
From now to tomorrow,
Happy Samhain!

UU Connect Forum

No UU Connect forum on October 8

As Allan will be leaving on a 13 day camping vacation in the southwest as soon as he puts the Zoom equipment away that day.



Listening Hearts

Listening Hearts

October volunteers,
Joyce Semmler and
Jodi Libretti are
available as a source
for listening, support
and resources.



The President's Column

October 2023

by Laurene Lambertino-Urquizo



I celebrated my seventy-first birthday last Saturday (the 23rd). Well, not exactly "celebrated" it as I am no longer excited to mark yet another passage of a year at this point. It has left me thinking about our individual mortality and how to gracefully approach the eventual end of my life. (Forgive me for the rather morbid subject matter this month, but this is an eventuality we all face, and it weighs on my mind).

As I approach the final decade(s?) of my life, I am first struck by all the ways my body is seemingly starting to let me know that it is no longer functioning without glitches. Yes, I had discovered when I was about fifty that I had inherited a genetic mistake that was set to go off like an alarm clock at the height of adulthood. This genetic misstep was determined at the precise moment when my parents created me but was not to appear until decades later in the form of muscle weakness. So, for the last twenty years I have been dealing with a gradual decline in mobility. And now there are other not-so-subtle hints that I am not immortal. I try to deal with these things as best as I can by working as a partner (at least I consider myself to be) with my "team" of medical professionals at a major Chicago hospital. They are truly my angels.

I venture to guess that many others in this congregation are also experiencing some signals from their bodies that remind them that we are indeed getting older. I empathize with you, my sisters, and brothers of a similar age. Let us take some strength in the fact that we are not living in a vacuum and that we are going down this path together. How are you dealing with this new reality? I hope it hasn't been too difficult up to this point. We watch the television commercials that chide us into believing that we are in our "golden" years and the need to be taking the Centrum "Silver" vitamins as befits our new and august status. That is, until social media steps in to remind us that everything important in life is still the jurisdiction of the young. They are at center stage in our society, and we get their not-too-subtle reminders daily. Case-in-point: our poor President Joe Biden. Can you imagine how it must feel to be him these days when all day and every day he must hear the poll results of our country's opinion that he is now too old to run again for president? And the truly saddest aspect of this is that he has done a demonstrably great job over the past three years in being able to get his agenda passed through the current House and Congress made up of a sizeable fringe minority of lunatics...not to mention the lowest unemployment rates and economic successes in many decades.

Jokes abound in life about the pratfalls of getting old. We see them every day, so I do not feel compelled to repeat any here in this article. So, what can one do to grow old gracefully and with dignity? I must admit to my readers that I am filled with a bit of fear of the unknown. Being a UU and an agnostic, I have no feeling of certainty in my spiritual faith of what is to come. I further admit to envy those who do. To paraphrase what my father used to tell me, no one who has died has come back to tell us. I know what I would *like* to believe, but also realize the futility in speculating. But I still wonder, *where do we go?*

Can we all agree, for now, just to be there for one another as time continues to march on? I think that might be the best resolution to our collective situation. Some of you have been in this community for many years now and have made strong bonds of friendship with one another. That is comforting in itself. I know I have come to love and admire many in this church, and I miss dearly many who have "moved on." I have no answers to any of these life questions. I am just a fellow traveler. I have had a pretty good life, done a lot of things, seen many sights, and I am hoping for a bit more time here with you all. And isn't that what we all are wishing for?

LOOKING AHEAD TO 2023-2024

From the UUC 70th Anniversary Committee

The **Unitarian Universalist Community Church of Park Forest, IL** looks forward to an exciting new church year beginning this fall. To focus our future efforts, a congregational survey in the spring of 2023 asked us to prioritize our wants and needs. When the questions, created by our 70th Anniversary Committee, were answered and tallied, these priorities emerged:

1. To continue learning from diverse speakers and celebrants.
2. To make social connections with open-minded people.
3. To connect to others by sharing our location and our principles (what we believe).
4. To continue support for human service organizations.
5. To support the human services efforts of other churches and additional non-profit agencies.
6. To engage in community activities that support our members and friends.
7. To share knowledge with each other and all others with similar interests.

After our congregation reviewed these results this summer, they recommended activities for the 2023-2024 church year. We received the suggestions below: **(NOTE: Purple items have already commenced.)**

FOR OUR CELEBRANTS

1. Sermons on each of our 7 principles
2. Sermons on homelessness and environmental issues
3. Sermons on personal spiritual experiences, faith journeys, experiences with God, adversities/ challenges faced during faith journeys
4. More Larry McClellan/ Henrietta Byrd
5. Include varieties of vocal performers in our Sunday services

FOR INTERNAL SOCIAL ENGAGEMENT

5. **Music concerts featuring Chris Ussery & companion performers**
6. Small "home" dinners for fellowship development
7. Pet Day
8. BYO lunch and sit outside to converse after Sunday service
9. Congregational talent show
10. Progressive dinners
11. **Theater/ museum/ concert outings**
12. Dinners at church
13. Art night: 1) paint & sip, or 2) showcase of members' work
14. Monthly games night: 1) games like UNO, etc. 2) optional table for personal sharing

FOR COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

15. Share our perspectives at various farmers' markets
16. Participate in PRIDE events
17. Monthly "Spiritual Sharing" Circle
18. Share our celebrants' sermons on YOU TUBE
19. Participate in Park Forest's Main Street Nights
20. Share flyers about UUC
21. **Support secular home-school co-ops, as well as nature-based education programs**

FOR HUMAN SERVICE ORGANIZATION SUPPORT

22. **Continue food and monetary donations to PADS**
23. Engage with REVIVE
24. **Engage with HABITAT FOR HUMANITY**
25. **Support RESPOND NOW with donations, and a 4-person volunteer team**

FOR PERSONAL KNOWLEDGE SHARING

26. Share voice memos to an accessible electronic folder
27. Investigate/ use UUA workshop curriculums during interest group discussions
28. **Create "special interest" groups for activity sharing (crafting, gardening, etc.)**

Financial Update



Do you have a knack for numbers? Please consider joining the Finance Committee. The workload is minimal, with meetings quarterly or less. Come help set financial policies and procedures. The Board would love to appoint you!

We recently had the wooden playset at the rear of the building taken down and hauled away. The wood was rotting and posed a serious hazard to children who might have played on it.

The Corn Roast basically broke even, with \$200 taken in and \$195 paid out for food and supplies. Again, thanks go out to all who donated food, drinks or time and effort to this event.

UUCC donated \$470 in memory of Rev. Dr. Finley Campbell to the UUMUAC. Of those funds, \$370 was donated by members of the congregation. The Board voted to donate \$100 from this year's Board Discretionary Fund. Thank you to all who donated.

Nancy Irons, UUCC Treasurer

Volunteer Recognitions

Thanks go out to everyone who contributed to the success of the Corn Roast. It was a cool and drizzly day, so attendance was down. However, those of us in attendance truly enjoyed the event. Special thanks go out to Frank Markowicz for a tremendous job as grill master; to Barb Morris for donating the corn; to Marilyn Ragland for donating wine and beer; and to everyone who brought side dishes and desserts. Well done all!

Volunteer Opportunities!

There are many interesting tasks that need attention. Would you like to help?

Are you willing to commit to a Sunday or two each month? We need Ushers and Greeters, Zoom hosts and Sexton setup assistance. Please get involved! Contact Marilyn Ragland (mexmasrag@aol.com) for details on the Sexton team; Joyce Sligar (jsligar02@gmail.com) for Ushers and Greeters; and Jodi Libretti (jlibretti@sbcglobal.net) for the Zoom hosts.

We also need volunteers who are willing to help with setup, cleanup and to be on-hand for rentals. We need hospitable people to encourage and enable success of our rentals to help fund the church.

Do you prefer handy-person work? We need ongoing litter patrol in the parking lot, and along the sidewalk to Western Avenue. Lights on the front walkway canopy need to have bulbs replaced. Furnace filters for all three furnaces need to be changed seasonally. Books on the shelves in the Gathering Room need to be arranged and tidied regularly. Artwork needs to be rehung around the building. Lots of opportunities to help beautify and maintain our building! Please get involved. Adopt a spot or task that you will be responsible for.

Please contact with the office (708-481-5339 or churchadmin@uucpcf.org) for more information or to arrange access to the building and supplies.

UUCC 70th Anniversary



Did you miss the chance to order a T-shirt or a Sweatshirt? We ordered extras, just in case! You can purchase your shirt in the Gathering Room before or after Sunday service. Not all sizes are still available, please see Nancy Irons.



T-Shirts \$10
(Additional \$2.50 for XXL, XXXL)
Sweatshirts \$20
(Additional \$2.50 for XXL, XXXL)

Religious and Character Education

We are very glad to have Candy Allen-Smith as our regular child care provider. She is teamed up with Allan Lindrup (first Sunday), Barb Obejda (second Sunday), Melanie Pittman (third Sunday), Monica Regan (fourth Sunday) and Beccie Bruckner (fifth Sundays, plus subbing on some other Sundays). Our classes for children in the early grade school years are based on the stories from the book Ancient Stories for Modern Times.



Connections

by Barb Anderson Morris



UUCC is going to host a Water Service with Ruth Halstead of the Hobart UU Church and me as Worship Assistant. The service will be on Community Sunday, December 3rd. Ruth is going to put together a slideshow of people using water, including ice and snow. Please bring me photos (due by October 10th) of yourself with water - or email churchadmin@uuccpf.org so we can put together the multimedia presentation. Also needed are guitar players and drummers.

Thanks to our Rev Denise Tracy for her spirit. After running 20 miles for each of two days in the Breast Cancer Fundraiser, Denise injured her knee on the 3rd day. However she is the 20th highest fundraiser out of hundreds of runners. Then she preached at UUCC the following Sunday!!



Allan Lindrup of our church, will be giving a forum on General Assembly information on Sunday, October 22nd after the service.



Four of us were out on the deck for Connections group while four zoomed in on the laptop (including Laura Shahtaji). Connections meets on the 3rd Thursday of the month from 1 to 2:30pm. Email Irene van der Hoek for the zoom link or come in person and bring snacks (optional).

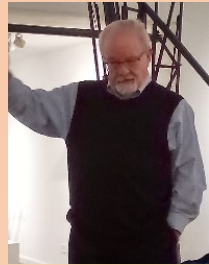


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Connections continued



Knowledge Exchange at GSU has begun. Here's a photo of Christine Small's class "Icons of Photography" which meets in person at Governors State University, Friday morning. Chief and Joyce are watching YouTube videos while Christine explains the photographer's works. It's a really interesting way to learn.



Rev Dr Larry McClellan told some stories from his new book "Onward To Chicago" at Union Street Art Gallery in Chicago Heights. Larry will be preaching at UUCG on Sunday, October 15th. He will have a book discussion and book signing after the service .

2023 ANNUAL CORN ROAST



**PLEASE SEE THE CORN ROAST PHOTOS
ON THE BULLETIN BOARD**

Thanks to our own event photographers, Jane Pask and Lenore Rendina for Corn Roast photos.



GREEN SANCTUARY

BY JEFF GREEN - OCTOBER 2023



Potpourri of Lectures Series

****AVAILABLE IN-PERSON AT THE **PARK FOREST LIBRARY** 10:30 am

10/26 - UUC Green Sanctuary: "IPPCAR6 Lastest Climate Report" with Jeff Green

I have used the word many times describing what is happening in the United States and the world "Transition". In this case transition is what I am describing as converting over from our fossil fuel energy system to one of clean energy and the products that can utilize it. Most of the time I am talking about electric cars and this time will be no different. There is a different twist to this transition, in that an article talks about the gas cars we throw away and being replaced by electric cars.

I'll start with acronyms ICE (internal combustion engine). One that burns gas. BEV (battery electric vehicle). One that uses electricity rather than gas.

Here is the article that I am basing my writing on.

<https://electrek.co/2023/09/14/ev-demand-future-gas-cars/>

RMI, who worked in partnership with the Bezos Earth Fund, writes in [a report released today](#) called "X-change: Cars, The end of the ICE age" that the market share of internal combustion engine (ICE) cars is going to fall to a level of 14-38% of sales by 2030.

I read on the internet every day on this issue and that is a change far greater than other organizations are predicting. What really happens in the next 7 years, we can only wait and see. Just the same, that is a huge change.

RMI assumes the life of a car to be around 15 years. Over the past decade, RMI writes, the number of gas cars scrapped annually has been between 40 and 50 million. But using historical data from Bloomberg New Energy Finance (BNEF), RMI estimates that the gas car scrappage rate will climb to between 60 and 70 million annually by 2030, based on the number of gas car sales 15 years ago, which was at around 80 million.

New car sales are going down and the scrappage will be significant. At some point there will be less new car sales than the scrappage.

RMI gives the example that in 2022, there were sales of 64 million gas cars and scrappage of 42 million. So the net growth was 22 million. But by 2025, more gas cars will be scrapped than sold, meaning the overall fleet of gas cars will peak that year, and then will be in freefall by 2030. RMI's research shows that by 2030, the gas fleet is likely to be falling at a rate of 40 to 70 million per year, or 3-7%.

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Green Sanctuary Continued

2025 will see the break even point of no new growth in ICE vehicles. This is more rapid change than I had imagined just a few years ago. The gas car fleet will decrease by millions per year. I never had this picture in mind of what this would look like. I was just excited to just see EV sales increasing.

And, the researchers say, since gas cars account for around 25% of global oil demand (and made up more than 33% of oil demand growth between 2010 and 2019), demand for oil is also going to freefall in the future, thanks to EV adoption and efficiency.

Not only now are ICE vehicle sales going down, the dominance of the ICE vehicle will increase, the demand for oil will also decrease. I have been waiting for this time for about 25 years. Advocating renewable energy since the 1990s and writing about global warming since about 2006. Parts of our society are sad to see this happening. There will be people confused and angry about this transition. My part is to see what I can do and advocate for this transition that we are in the middle of. Being we are a progressives in identity, we look to the rest of our society to help see this transition through for the good of humanity.

Welcome to fall and all the beautiful tree colors we will see this season. Thank you for letting me into your reading pleasure. From the Green Sanctuary team.



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Thursday, October 12, 2023 | 5:30 - 8:00 p.m. CT

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Checks payable to South Suburban Diversity Dinners



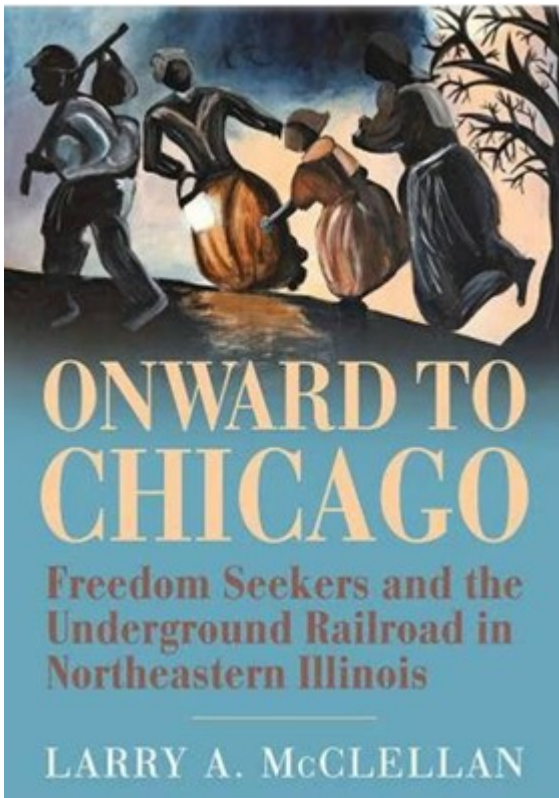
Sunday November 5th - Potluck and Baby Shower!

Join us for potluck and a baby shower for Mary Kate and Derrick following the service on Sunday, November 5th.

Please bring a dish to share, as well as a children's book for the parents to be. They have so enjoyed the Children's Stories

during Sunday services, that they suggested we help them build a library of kid's books for their son-to-be. So, bring a book, join the party, enjoy food,





**Rev. Larry McClellan Sunday Speaker
October 15, 2023 at 10:00 AM**

After the service Larry is scheduled for a discussion and book signing.

In a recent article in the Chicago Tribune, Rev. Larry McClellan, shared his thoughts on a recent tour he led of Underground Railroad sites in the south suburbs and on his new book.

In Larry's words, "In trying to understand the history of the Chicago Southland, I ran into these references of the Underground Railroad. Again and again in Underground Railroad accounts, the fugitive slaves are described by the way people did heroic things to help them. That's upside down. The really remarkable stories are the ones

of the people who made the decision to seek their freedom. We have to tell the freedom seeker stories," McClellan said. "That's where the real power is. That's where the whole process needs to be humanized."

The result of that realization became ["Onward to Chicago: Freedom Seekers and the Underground Railroad in Northeastern Illinois,"](#) just out from Southern Illinois University Press.



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*We need your pictures
for the Sunday December 3rd Water Service!*

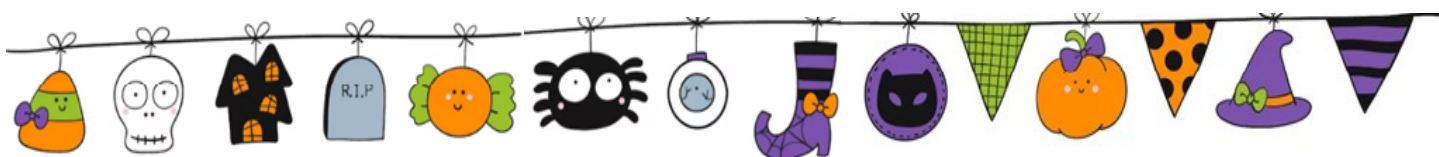
Ruth Halstead has agreed to do a Water Service on Sunday, December 3rd and Barb Anderson-Morris will be her Worship Assistant.

We would like a picture of each of you around water or using water. For example, swimming, fishing, kayaking, looking at a lake, taking a drink, even washing the dog.

The photos will be compiled into a slideshow for the Water Service.

Pictures can be given to Barb Anderson in-person at church or digitally sent to the church office email churchadmin@uuccpf.org

The photo submission deadline is October 10th.



A Moment in Balance ~ Yoga Classes by Karen Nielsen

Monday & Thursday 9:30 – 11am

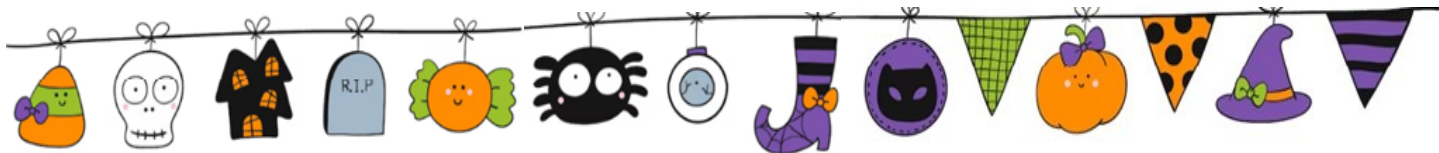
Wednesday evenings 7:00 – 8:30pm

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Buddy Mondlock

with Mike Lindauer
on bass and harmonies

Unitarian Universalist
Community Church

SAT OCT 7TH, 7:30PM
With special guest Donna Adler

Edgars Place is proud to present Buddy Mondlock. A native of Park Forest he has had an outstanding career. Buddy writes songs. He does it so well that some great songwriters have recorded his songs on their own albums. Guy Clark, Nanci Griffith, and Janis Ian, to name just a few. You might've heard his song "The Kid" (recorded by David Wilcox, Peter, Paul and Mary and Cry, Cry, Cry). When Buddy made his first trip to Texas from his native Chicago, Guy Clark heard him singing one of his songs under a tree at the Kerrville Folk Festival and liked it. So Guy went back to Nashville, opened the door and said, "listen to this kid, he's good!" A publishing deal soon followed.

People were starting to pay attention. In 1987 he was a New Folk Award Winner at Kerrville and he released his first album called "On the Line". Over the next few years David Wilcox recorded "The Kid" on his first record for A&M. Buddy did some writing with this other new kid in town named Garth Brooks (they had the same manager). Janis Ian heard him singing at the Bluebird Cafe and asked him if he'd like to write with her. Their song "Amsterdam" got recorded by Joan Baez. Nanci Griffith asked Buddy to sing on a show she was taping for Irish television. She ended up liking that song so much that she recorded "Comin' Down In the Rain" on her Grammy Award winning collection "Other Voices, Other Rooms." Garth became a star and "Every Now and Then" ended up on his album "The Chase."

Since then he's released a string of critically acclaimed solo recordings on his own label and EMI. And in 2003 Buddy toured North America and Europe with Art Garfunkel and Maia Sharp in support of their album "Everything Waits To Be Noticed" which they wrote and recorded together as a trio.

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Celebrating Samhain on Sunday October 29th

Samhain is the third and final harvest festival of the year. This is a time of nipping frost, falling leaves and coming darkness. The veil between the worlds is thin allowing spirits to pass through.

Bridges symbolize transitions, the crossing over between locations, between stages of life or between states of being. Join us as we ponder crossing overs in our life and the loved ones who have passed before us.



**TRICK-OR-TREAT
FOR UNICEF**

Everyone is encouraged to wear a Halloween costume and to bring change for UNICEF. UNICEF, now the United Nations Children's Fund, is an agency of the United Nations responsible for providing humanitarian and developmental aid to children worldwide. Please support the ongoing efforts of this organization.

RAINBOW CAFE

Rainbow Café is a social event that provides a welcoming and safe environment for single or partnered gay, lesbian, bisexual, and transgender adults. Group is open to anyone regardless of their sexual orientation.

**We meet every third Friday at 6:30pm
to watch a LGBTQ film.**

Join the discussion after the film.

Invite friends!

Optional - bring snacks to share.



LGBTQ

Welcoming Congregation



Unitarian Universalist Community Church
70 Sycamore Drive, Park Forest, IL 60466
708-481-5339 uuccpf.org

***Please contact the church for October
movie information.***

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OF COLOR WITH DISABILITIES
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What's Happening at UUCC?



First Sunday Potluck October 1st after worship

At UUCC, the first Sunday of each month after worship service we share a potluck luncheon while we meet to conduct church business or just enjoy each other's company.

Please bring a food item to share. We especially need main dishes and vegetarian dishes. Be sure to list the dish's ingredients so all can enjoy a safe and delicious meal together.

Please join us for this time of Fellowship!

UUCC Men's Group Tuesday, October 1st 6:30 PM

The UUCC Men's Group will shift its monthly meeting, which is on Zoom, to the **FIRST SUNDAY of the month, from 6:30 to 8:00 p.m.** Anyone identifying as male who would like to join the group should contact Allan Lindrup at uusj@sbcglobal.net or 773-595-4921

UUCC Connections Small Group October 12th from 1:00-2:30 p.m.

Join this small group so we can connect and share to get to know one another. The group meets on the **SECOND THURSDAY** each month in person at UUCC with the option of joining via Zoom. Questions? Contact Irene van der Hoek at tulip51girl@gmail.com

Multi-UU Church Environmental Book Club Monday, October 23, from 7 to about 8:30 p.m.

The meeting is one week later than usual this month. The discussion will be around the last two chapters of the book *Regeneration*, by Paul Hawken. Also, options for the next book selection will be discussed. Anyone wanting to join this book club should contact Allan Lindrup at 773-595-4921 or uusj@sbcglobal.net



DO YOU LOVE STITCHING? TUESDAY OCTOBER 3RD AT 10:00 AM

Join us on **FIRST TUESDAY of the month from 10am-noon** at UUCC classroom 3. Do you like to knit, and want to run some thoughts across others? Do you like to crochet, but want something new and not sure where to look? Do you quilt but need somewhere quiet to really get into your craft? Whether you knit, crochet, cross stitch, needlepoint, quilt, or any other hand stitch craft that you enjoy, let's get together to craft, talk and mingle.

For more information contact **KAREN BERAN 708-532-6024**

The Unitarian Universalist Multiracial Unity Action Council

UUMUAC Monthly **Third Wednesday** Worship Service

Wednesday, October 18th 7:00 pm Central Time

For Zoom information, please send name, email, and congregation (if any) to richard3point@gmail.com

For past services, type "Third Wednesday UUMUAC services" in the YouTube search box.



Join UUC Respond Now Team

We could use a couple more volunteers to take turns at one of the Respond Now food pantries in Chicago Heights or Sauk Village. If you would like to help, talk to Darlene Obejda or email dobejda@gmail.com

UUC has a donation bin in the hall for non perishable food items or self care essentials. Respond Now is always in need of Non perishable foods (not expired), toiletries and feminine hygiene products, NEW adult underwear & socks and school supplies.

You may donate directly at Respond Now, 1439 Emerald Avenue, Chicago Heights at the front door or back window. Questions please contact Carl Wolf cwolf@respondnow.org or Food



JOIN THE UUC PADS TEAM

A group of 11 individuals, including 9 UUC members plus two friends of the congregation, has begun to provide dinner for 50 South Suburban PADS clients, housed at a facility in South Holland, once a month, specifically on the first Thursday of each month. We will be providing an entree (meat, fish, chili, etc.), a vegetable, a starch (such as garlic bread), a dessert, and a drink for each client. If you would like to join our team, please contact Allan Lindrup at 773-595-4921 or uusj@sbcglobal.net

You may send donations to PADS, 414 Lincoln Highway, Chicago Heights IL 60411, or place your donation, marked to PADS in the memo line, in the donation basket during a church service.

The South Suburban Dulcimer and Folk Music Society

Invites you to attend their meetings at the
Unitarian Universalist Community Church 70 Sycamore Drive, Park Forest IL
For information about joining, call 708-741-8301
OR write to SSDFMS PO Box 256 Olympia Fields, IL 60461
www.southsuburbandulcimer.com

MONTHLY BOARD MEETING

In an effort to keep UUC Members informed, meeting minutes are available on the bulletin board and can be emailed or mailed to any UUC member who requests them.

Please contact the office 708-481-5339 or email churchadmin@uuccpf.org

Petition to Prevent World War III

Please sign today

Please check the information table in the Gathering Room and sign the petition calling on our elected legislators to work towards "détente" (peaceful, respectful negotiations) between the three great nuclear powers – Russia, China and the USA.
The UU Multi-Racial Action Council is counting on your support.





OCTOBER 2023



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1 10am Worship 11:30am Potluck after service 6:30 UUC Men's Group	2 9:30am Yoga	3	4 7:00pm Yoga	5 9:30am Yoga 3pm PADS Team	6	7 9am Online Buddhist Meditation 7pm Edgar's Place Buddy Mondlock
8 10am Worship	9 9:30am Yoga	10 10:00am Stitchery Group	11 7:00pm Yoga	12 9:30am Yoga 1pm Connections Group	13	14 9am Online Buddhist Meditation
15 10am Worship	16 9:30am Yoga	17 7pm Board Meeting	18 7:00pm Yoga 7pm UUMUAC online Worship Service	19 9:30am Yoga	20 7pm Rainbow Café	21 9am Online Buddhist Meditation
22 10am Worship	23 9:30am Yoga 7pm Environmental Book Club	24	25 7:00pm Yoga	26 9:30am Yoga	27	28 9am Online Buddhist Meditation
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