



# The Chalice and the Flame

*Diverse people. Diverse beliefs. One community.*

*A Monthly Newsletter of the Unitarian Universalist Congregation of Salem, OR*

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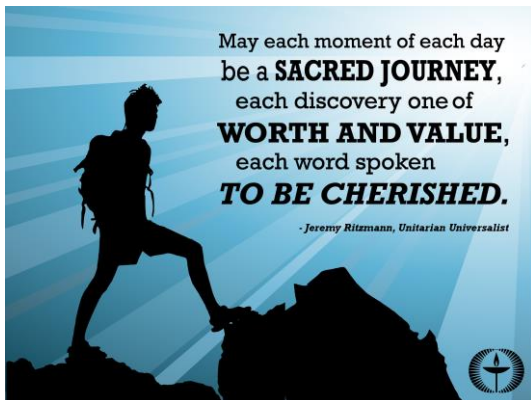
**New UUCS Tagline: *Diverse people. Diverse beliefs. One community.***

### Poetry Sunday

Poetry Sunday on **August 14!** Poets from UUCS and the Salem area are invited to submit poems to be read by their author at the 1st Annual Poetry Service. If you are interested in participating in this service, please email your poem(s), not to exceed 30 lines, to Dina Triest at [dmtme@comcast.net](mailto:dmtme@comcast.net) or to David Jeffers at [david.jeffers@centurylink.net](mailto:david.jeffers@centurylink.net).

The deadline for submitting your work is July 15. Please be willing and prepared to attend a rehearsal for this service on Friday, August 12, at 6:30 p.m., if your work is selected to be read. Thank you!

### A Fall or Spring UUCS Men's retreat???



If there is someone who would like to lead the organization of a men's retreat this next program year, please let Christi Olsen know!

The Oregon 4H Center is a great venue for this. It has cabins, gym for basketball, a swimming pool, canoe pond, hiking trails, fire pits, outdoor amphitheater, specialty swings, and a cafeteria. (For a minimum of fifteen people they will provide meals).

We would need to find a weekend and **hold our spot soon** for this event. They require a refundable (with a month notice for cancellation) \$100 deposit and no minimum number of participants, unless food is provided.

Please let **Christi Olsen**, Director of Lifespan Religious Exploration, know of your interest. Thank you!

### Munsel Property Status, and our 1/3 acre Interest

Well, our long-time neighbors, the Munsel family, have finally sold their home. However, before they could also let us complete our purchase from them of the agreed upon 1/3 acre land strip east of the RE building, the County required upgrading of the Munsels' septic system, and would not grant UUCS the changed boundary lines and ownership rights until the upgrade was done.

Unfortunately, at this late point, it was simply impossible to accomplish such a mammoth task, and the Board unanimously voted that *"UUCS shall put on hold for now our intent and efforts to purchase the 1/3 acre at the defined location from the current Munsel property and instead re-activate it with the new owner."*

If UUCS is unsuccessful negotiating with the new owners, the generous contributors to the project will be offered refunds of their donations.

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## Lifespan Religious Exploration

### ~ Christi J. Olsen, Director of Lifespan Religious Exploration

**July** is already here! We have been enjoying guests in our Religious Exploration (RE) program sharing their favorite children's story book. We have also been creating a tree mural on the compost fencing in Bateman Woods. Take time to check out the children's art work! Thank you Ted Cory for the inspiration and supplies!

I wanted to share that the official peanut butter and jelly collection for our 2015-2016 program year RE Offering project netted 205 pounds to donate to Marion Polk Food Share (MPFS)! Thank you to the Cavaletto family, Caroline Bridges, Lynn Cardiff, and the Olsen family and grandchildren who helped box sixty 40-pound boxes of sorted food to distribute! My grandchildren and the Cavaletto's children are all inspired to volunteer again. It was amazing to see the children and youth (and adults ☺!) stick to the project of sorting for over two hours. Way to go! It was a nice way to end the program year.

Check out our little RE Garden Plot just outside of the RE door. We officially have it planted. We have tomatoes, beans, radishes, onions, zucchinis and more! Hopefully we will have some success to share at the end of the summer. The planting of the garden ties into a tradition of sharing a book called, "Grandma's House" by Elaine Moore on the first day of summer RE. I have directed the summer program and/or been involved with the RE Team for many years and have been able to share this book in the summer. I love having traditions! I also started having a garden for RE many years ago! I am glad that the tradition of having a garden has continued! I love this book because it begins with a visit from a granddaughter who spends the summer with her grandmother. The visit follows the growing season of the garden from beginning to end. The granddaughter returns home to her mom at the end of the summer as the garden has finished its final crops, just like in RE, where we start together planting our garden and will finish our summer program as our garden is ready for harvest!

Although summer is still actively under way, I am constantly thinking ahead to the need for our program year volunteers. Please keep in mind the opportunity to be a part of RE! We are registering volunteers for the same Sunday (every first, or every second, etc.), each month, September – May! That is a total of nine hours! I bet many of you have that time available to be a part of a wonderful time sharing and learning with our growing UU's! See the article in the August newsletter for more information about being a youth advisor for UUCS. If being a history interpreter is your thing, watch for details (next newsletter!) for a fun volunteer opportunity to bring famous Unitarian Universalists to life for our congregation's learning!

While you are reading this newsletter, I wanted you all to know I will already be taking time off from UUCS, for the first time in three years, for a bit of a sabbatical! We bought our acreage last year for our small farm sanctuary and I have a list of projects to complete! I will be back to UUCS and emails on August 11 after a Director workshop and retreat in Washington, August 8-10! You will be in good hands with RE Assistants Marnie Jeffers and Elsa McKinney and RE Team leader Lynn Cardiff.

While I am away, my thoughts will be with you all and I will be anxious to see you in August and share what I will have learned at my workshop. It has some fun ideas for active learning for RE!

*In faith and until next time, Christi*

Christi J Olsen

Director of UUCS Lifespan Religious Exploration

## Caught in the Act of Kindness

**Month of July 'Share the Plate' recipient: Shelly's House** - Transitional Housing and Services for Recovering Women Ex-Offenders

Shelly's House provides affordable, transitional housing for female offenders in Salem. It is owned and operated by Shelly's House, Inc., established in 1993. Shelly's House, Inc. is an **all-volunteer organization**. The board works to maintain community partnerships for the provision of mentoring and assistance to Shelly's House residents in learning sustainable life skills, financial planning, and how to live honestly without alcohol or drugs in harmony with others.

The mission is to provide alcohol- and drug-free affordable housing for women offenders including structure and support for successful community re-integration through programs and community resources. The house provides eight beds, and nine in five attached apartments. Income is generated through first-month housing subsidy, residents finding jobs and paying some living expenses, grants, gifts, and donations.

They are very grateful for any help provided, whether it be in the form of cash donations, clean lightly used linens or furniture, usable kitchenware or lawn and household maintenance tools. One wonderful volunteer provides on-call plumbing services which are often needed. They also need the services of an electrician and a handy man and would welcome someone who could donate those services on occasion.

## Accomplishments



### Blood Drive Results

redcrossblood.org | 1-800-RED CROSS

### **Subject: Thank you!**

**To:** Angela Scott <[uu4peace@gmail.com](mailto:uu4peace@gmail.com)>,  
Richard Davis <[rdavis@uuma.org](mailto:rdavis@uuma.org)>

Dear Rick and Angela:

Thank you for showing your support of the community by sponsoring an American Red Cross blood drive. Your blood drive results are below and we encourage you to share this information with donors and members of your organization along with our heartfelt thanks. Each unit of life saving blood may be used to help up to three patients in need. On behalf of the American Red Cross and the anonymous recipients we serve, we thank you.

Actual Units Collected: **20**; Actual Sign Up: **27**; Actual Presenting Donor: **30**; Deferrals: **9**; Double Red: **1**

We look forward to working with you and your organization on future blood drives. Thank you, **Tammy Dederick | Territory Representative - Salem, American Red Cross**

## The Spirit of UU – Among us & Beyond us

### **Kairos Community Lunch**

UUCS volunteers had a great time on Sunday, June 12 at St. Mark Lutheran preparing and serving lunch at the Kairos Community Lunch. Many thanks to Loraine Stuart, Caroline Bridges, Joel and Carolyn Woodman, Diane Mitchell and daughter Lise, Lois Stanley, Dale Harris, Liz Adamy and Victor Reppeto (with a special thanks to Ruben Yelkin for supplementing our small but mighty crew!) We served a lunch of sandwiches, soup, chili, chips, tomatoes and dessert to 64 hungry diners. Please check out our remaining dates at the Social Justice table and sign up to join the fun! Any questions? call Mary Beth Hustoles at 503-587-7949. **Thanks from Mary Beth**

## Spring Fundraiser for UUCS Microfinance Project in Peru



Thanks to your support and a very successful fund drive, the UUCS Microfinance Committee just sent \$3,939 to the Chijnaya Foundation! The funding will be used to construct alpaca sheds which will boost the survival rate of the calves and improve the overall quality of the herds. Larger alpaca herds and better quality wool will increase incomes on a sustainable basis for the poor alpaca farmers living on the high altiplano near Lake Titicaca in southern Peru.

We are excited to announce our next project for the 2016-17 church year! We will partner with the NEO Fund ([www.theneofund.org](http://www.theneofund.org)). They have

dedicated their aid for the poorest of the poor – those individuals living near the dumps in Nicaragua, Haiti, and India. The mission of the NEO Fund is to serve the poor through sustainable community development via micro-lending and child-aid programs by working through established organizations in some of the most impoverished communities of the developing world. During our first year, our funding will focus on Nicaragua.

We are also supporting a small pilot microfinance project with the IMANI Project ([imaniproject.org](http://imaniproject.org)) that will help Kenyan women farm and raise crops to support their families.

Our next UUCS Microfinance Committee meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, August 17, 6:00 p.m. at the home of Ann Hanus, 7651 Teral Ct. SE, Salem.



## Find Your Niche

### Cordon Road Clean-up Coordinator Needed

Hello Friends,

I am stepping away from my role as coordinator of the Cordon Road cleanup. This twice-a-year event is easy to plan and implement. Our contract with Marion County is to provide a twice yearly cleaning of 1 mile of Cordon Road. In exchange, two "Adopt-a-Road" signs are placed along Cordon Road; one for Southbound traffic at Center and Cordon and the other for northbound traffic at Cordon and Pennsylvania. Marion County traffic studies show that more than 10,000 cars drive on Cordon each day.

There is plenty of time to **find a replacement coordinator** before October, our traditional time for the clean-up. If interested, please contact **Angela Gross** for a write-up of the tasks needed to be done.

### "July is Jelly Jar Month"

If you have half-pint jelly or jam jars (the type with a screw top lid that can be canned) please bring them in the UUCS kitchen.

We will fill them again for the Christmas Bazaar. Pint jars are good too. Please provide jars by July 31. Thank you. Vicki Cunningham

### Fruit Pickers Wanted! Pie Day is Coming!



Fresh air! Sunshine! Beautiful fruit falling into your hands! In preparation for **Pie Day**, a UUCS fundraiser held on the weekend before Thanksgiving, we need some help with fruit picking and storing. Susan McGinnis has blueberries, and wild blackberries on her farm in Silverton that just need pickers.

Can you get together a team, or pick by yourself, and report in how much you pick? The blueberries are ripe now. Call Susan for directions and current crop information.

We need about 50 lbs of blue berries, about 30 lbs of sour cherries, pitted and frozen, about 50 lbs of wild black berries, about 10 lbs of



rhubarb and about 10 lbs of strawberries or raspberries to mix with the rhubarb. [We already have commitments for the apples, and for Marion Berries.]

Last year we made about 200 pies, which seems to be about the limit with our current system, but extra fruit can be sold. Let **Vicki Cunningham** know if you plan to help pick or store. THANK YOU.

### **Our Whole Lives Sexuality Education Trainings for 2016 & 2017**

Below is a list of OWL (Our Whole Lives Sexuality Education) training classes for prospective leaders being offered very close to home.

UUCS offers these classes every other year. If you have been interested in becoming a facilitator for OWL, and have been part of our congregation for a year or more, please contact Christi and consider going to a training. These trainings are also open to individuals who may want to offer these classes for other venues.

There are two OWL Trainings of various levels coming up and listed below. Trainings are offered by both UUA and UCC denominations. Please refer to these links for more information.

**August 26-28** - Deadline: August 10, 2016 or when full; Cost: \$225; Level: Secondary

Location: Eastrose Fellowship UU, Portland, OR

Sponsor: Pac West Region of the UUA

Registration: [www.uua.org/re/owl/trainings/calendar/portland-owl-7-12-training?month=2016-08](http://www.uua.org/re/owl/trainings/calendar/portland-owl-7-12-training?month=2016-08)

**November 11-13** - Cost: \$250 before Sept 1, \$275 after; Level: All Levels

Location: Pilgrim Firs Camp and Conference Center, Port Orchard, WA

Sponsor: PNUCC and PNWD UUA

Contact: Wade Zick [wade@pilgrim-firs.org](mailto:wade@pilgrim-firs.org) 360-876-2031

### **UUCS Sunday Coffee Servers**

Your wonderful Coffee volunteer coordinators are asking for people to sign up for coffee service. There is a large **sign-up sheet** posted in the Fellowship hall on the Bulletin board.

They also thank all those who have been deeply loyal in their call to coffee making over this past church year. So please give serious consideration to the need for your help to sign up.

Love and Light to all of you, Arrhiannon and Brian.

## **Happenings and Highlight**

### **A week in Hawaii this Fall?**

The Strubles' timeshare week is for sale to the highest bidder. The unit is one bedroom, plus a sofa bed in the living room for a maximum of four people. It also contains a full kitchen, washer, dryer, and of course a lanai. It is in a resort a little north of Kona on the big island.

The minimum price is \$1500, which will go to UUCS. Send your bids to George and Elsa Struble by August 15; they are available at 503-364-3929 or [gstruble@willamette.edu](mailto:gstruble@willamette.edu) to answer questions, but you can also consult previous buyers: Nicholson-Nelsons, Joan Erickson, Kendalls, and Carvers. The week should be used in 2016, but Christmas week is not available. Good Luck!

### **Get Your Updated UUCS Directory!**

The membership team has been working hard to update the UUCS directory with current information, including pictures. You can download a PDF file containing the latest information from the UUCS website ([Our Congregation / Membership Directory](#)). This file will contain a snapshot of the directory as of when you download it. You should update the file periodically. (You can also contact the office if you prefer to obtain a printed copy of the PDF.)

If you provided an email address for the directory, you have a **new option** to access the directory online using your computer or your mobile device. To access the directory on your computer, go to [members.InstantChurchDirectory.com](#).

To access the directory on your mobile device, download the **Instant Church Directory App** for Apple, Android or Kindle Fire. To begin using the directory online, follow these steps:

1. Go the Instant Church Directory home page or open the Instant Church Directory app on your device.
2. Click the **Create a login now** link.

3. Enter the email address you provided for the directory. Enter/confirm the password you want to use. Click **Request Login**.
4. The Instant Church Directory site will send an email to the entered address with the subject "Confirm your Church Directory Email".
5. Open the email and click on the link provided to confirm and validate your email.
6. Enjoy the updated directory!

Your Membership Team

## External Happenings

### **Creative Arts Eliot Camp 2016 for UUs and their Friends and Family, by Carrie Glenn**

Did you know that there is an arts-related summer camp run by The Eliot Institute for UUs of the Pacific Northwest District (Western Idaho, Washington, Oregon, and Alaska) and their friends and family?

Creative Arts Eliot" is one of four UU camps that take place at the beautiful Seabeck Conference Center on Hood Canal in Seabeck, Washington. Creative Arts Eliot will take place this summer from **Saturday, August 13 through Thursday, August 18** and will offer opportunities for UUs and friends and relatives to enjoy many wonderful aspects of a multi-generational "camp" experience while also pursuing an interest in one of six artistic or creative endeavors.

Talented presenters will delight and inspire during a five-day camp full of creativity and fun with morning workshops in photography, writing, ukulele, vocal music, painting, (age 12 and up). Campers choose one activity to focus on while at camp, and spend the rest of their time enjoying waterfront fun, sports, games, singing, UU community, evening programs, and other planned activities including firelight and music and an "Extravaganza" on the last night to celebrate everyone's creativity.

Join us from August 13-18 for our annual Creative Arts Eliot at Seabeck! For more information, please contact the Eliot Administrator at [Eliotregistrar@gmail.com](mailto:Eliotregistrar@gmail.com) or visit our website at [eliotinstitute.org](http://eliotinstitute.org).

### **Monthly Jazz Jam Session with UUCS Member Dale Harris at Ike Box**

We will have our monthly Jazz Jam Session on Tuesday, July 5th from 7:00 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. We know it is the day after the 4th so enjoy your fireworks displays and save room for the following night for our own jazz fireworks....

Come down and join the fun. Bring an instrument of choice or simply sit back and enjoy the music. All donations received will go to the Ike Box for Isaac's Room. Looking forward to seeing you.

Dale Harris, 503-371-1926 or e mail; [loisstan2@aol.com](mailto:loisstan2@aol.com)

### **June Board Meeting - 'Splinters' from the Board Secretary...**

The June 9 board meeting was called to order at 6:12 p.m. Petra Berger chaired the meeting as requested by Board chair LJ Frederickson who could not be present. Highlights are as follows...

- Petra gave an update on the heating/cooling system. There will be a July proposal to the board to have our current system evaluated by an expert in electric and Heating/cooling systems, and computer matters to determine if /and how our current system can be improved/fixed, rather than replacing the system. The cost will be approximately \$1000. Mark K suggested we hire an engineer to evaluate the system. The air handler unit that heats and cools the offices is offline. FH does not work with scheduling system. Sunday the CO2 monitors will tell the fan to come on but doesn't heat the air. There was agreement that a thorough evaluation by a non-profit or independent engineer is a good idea.
- John asked for an update on the transition to programmatic. Rick said there is a general awareness of the transition but didn't have specific update. John would like to see regular updates and/or time devoted to this topic. Rev Rick and Petra gave examples of specific positive changes that have already been made over the last year or two indicating our on-going transition to a Programmatic church.
- David J has resigned from his current position ending on June 30th, and the 2-year position he was just elected to in May.
- The next board meeting will be on July 14th at 6:00pm with the newly elected board.

The full drafts of the meeting minutes are available on the UUCS website - usually just a couple of days after the board meeting. Please go to ([uusalem.org/Governance](http://uusalem.org/Governance)) for the full meeting minutes. Additionally, once finalized, the board meeting minutes are kept in hard copy in the binder in the hallway.

Normal board meetings are open to all visitors. We do ask that if you wish to address the board at a meeting, that you contact the board chair in advance of the meeting so you can be added to the agenda.

2015-2016 Board Members (effective 7/1/2015):

- Chair (term ending June 30th, 2016): LJ Frederickson
- Vice-Chair (term ending June 30th, 2016): Jeff Geissler
- Secretary (term ending June 30th, 2016): Paul Parmley
- Treasurer (term ending June 30th, 2017): Lorna Youngs
- Directors (term ending June 30th, 2016): John Prohodsky, David Jeffers, Petra Berger
- Directors (term ending June 30th, 2017): Stephanie Jernstedt, Elenie Smith, (open)
- Past Chair (term ending June 30th, 2016): Barry Halgrimson

2016-2017 Board Members (effective 7/1/2016):

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- Directors (term ending June 30th, 2018): John Prohodsky, JP Batmale, Susan Ferris-Gosser
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- Past Chair (term ending June 30th, 2016): vacant

## The Calendar

### Event Scheduling and Rescheduling

To schedule an event at UUCS, go to the website ([uusalem.org/Calendar](http://uusalem.org/Calendar)). While you are on the calendar page, click on the Event Scheduling Request Form link to reserve the room and time. If you later need to reschedule your meeting or event, please submit a new Event Scheduling Request Form **and** follow up with an email to [office@uusalem.org](mailto:office@uusalem.org) asking that your prior meeting or event time be cancelled. If you don't have access to email, call the office; leave a message if your call isn't answered. Please do not ask office staff to remember spoken information when they're away from their desks.

### August Newsletter Deadline - Friday, July 29

#### Dances of Universal Peace

Friday, July 1, 7:00 p.m.

Simple, easy-to-learn movements and songs honoring spiritual traditions from around the world. The dances bring together sacred phrases from the world's religious traditions in heart-awakening circle dances dedicated to peace within and without. See [SalemDances.com](http://SalemDances.com) for more information.

#### Lifelines Lay Ministry meeting

Saturday, July 2, 9:30 a.m.

#### Membership Open House

Sunday, July 3, 11:30 a.m.

Do you have questions about your membership at UUCS? Questions about what it means to be a member of UUCS? You are invited to stop by the front office and chat with our Office Manager,

Samantha Scales. And, if you are ready to become a member, the Membership Book will be open and available to sign.

#### Get a New Directory Portrait!

Sunday, July 3, 11:30 a.m. to 12:15 p.m.

If you would like a new directory portrait, stop by the bulletin board in the Fellowship Hall and see our volunteer photographer. Smile!

#### Membership Team Meeting

Tuesday, July 5, 6:30 p.m.

#### UU Compassionate Mind Sangha

Wednesday, July 6, 5:30 p.m. and 7:00 p.m.

A welcoming place for meditation practice. Session I is for experienced meditation practitioners. Session II provides attendees with basic instruction, and explanation. The last hour, 8 to 9 p.m., is for discussion, compassion, about how to use meditation as a spiritual practice.

### **UU 102: A UUCS Overview**

Thursday, July 7, 7:00 p.m.

At UU102 we shift the discussion to our UUCS community. We'll cover what it means to have a democratic governance, share our organizational structure, and offer an overview of our teams, committees and programs. Come find out more about where you can get involved!

### **Compassionate Connection**

Sunday, July 10, 11:30 a.m.

Are you going through a hard time? Would you like to feel the compassionate support of others? Please join us in the front of the sanctuary, following service, for Compassionate Connection, a time when we lay our hands upon those in distress and our minister offers a prayerful reflection. We also invite other members to join us and offer compassionate support.

### **Social Justice Discussion Group**

Monday, July 11, 6:30 p.m.

The Social Justice in Action Team invites you to join us to discuss current social justice topics in an informal setting. Topics will be decided by participants. This meeting will be in addition to our regular monthly meeting, but will be more focused on allowing people to talk about issues in a deeper way than we have time for in our 'business' meetings. No commitment to attend both meetings is expected or required.

Please join us with an open mind, an open heart, and open ears. If you are able, please consider bringing a snack or non-alcoholic beverage to share. Hope to see you there!

### **UU Compassionate Mind Sangha**

Wednesday, July 13, 5:30 p.m. and 7:00 p.m.

See July 6 entry.

### **Finance Team Meeting**

Friday, July 15, 10:00 a.m.

### **Social Justice in Action meeting**

Sunday, July 17, 12:30 p.m.

### **UU Compassionate Mind Sangha**

Wednesday, July 20, 5:30 p.m. and 7:00 p.m.

See July 6 entry'

### **Dances of Universal Peace**

Thursday, July 21, 7:00 p.m.

See July 1 entry.

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### **DEADLINES:**

**Newsletter Submissions** for *The Chalice and the Flame* must be received by the Friday before publication. The deadline for the **July 2** newsletter is 8:00 p.m. on **Wednesday, July 29**.

Please send your submissions, including personal news items, directly to the editors at the following email address: [editors@uusalem.org](mailto:editors@uusalem.org).

**Announcements** for the separate **Sunday Bulletin** must be at the **office** by 9 a.m. **Tuesday**.

**EVENT SCHEDULING:** please use the **Event Scheduling Request** form on the UUCS website!

Note that all fields are required. When complete, remember to click the submit button.

**NEWSLETTER SUBSCRIPTION:** to subscribe to *The Chalice and the Flame* monthly newsletter and mid-month update (September thru May), email your request to the UUCS office at [office@uusalem.org](mailto:office@uusalem.org) and include your full name and email address. If you are a pledging member and want to receive a printed copy of the newsletter in the mail, also include a physical address.



## UU Compassionate Mind Sangha

Wednesday, July 27, 5:30 p.m. and 7:00 p.m.  
See July 6 entry.

## Hosting SIHN Families

Sunday, July 31, 5:00 p.m. to 6:00 a.m. through  
Saturday August 5

# Worship Services and Religious Exploration

## July Share the Plate: Shelly's House

Summer services begin at 10:30 a.m. This schedule will continue until September 12, 2016. Sunday School / Religious Exploration for pre-school through grade 5 and childcare for infants through age 2 will be available.

**Sunday, July 3**

### Reflections on Freedom and Democracy

**Lennie Martin & David Gortner**

**Music:** Ted Cory

Share the Plate Speaker: **Paul Peloquin** from Shelly's House.

**Sunday, July 10**

### The Moral Imperative of Health Care for All

**Rev. Dr. Tim F. Roach**

**David Jeffers**, Celebrant; **L.J. Frederickson**, Anchor

**Music:** Laura Christian and Sara Greenleaf: Piano

From multiple motivations of morality, providing health care for everyone in our state (country) is the right thing to do. (Matthew 22:36-40). The speaker believes that even improvements of ObamaCare do not provide health care for everyone, nor are spiraling costs for care, meds, and medical equipment adequately addressed.

**Sunday, July 17**

### "Life at the Improv"

**Rev. Millie Rochester**

**Ann Hanus**, Celebrant; **Arrhiannon Kirkpatrick**, Anchor

**Music:** Marcia Christenson

Improvisations and Unitarian Universalism have more than a little bit in common. Both require an open mind and the willingness to explore past a pre-determined path for example. What wondrous possibilities might there be when faith and improvisation intersect?

**Sunday, July 24**

### A Curious Faith

**Rev. Millie Rochester**

**Lennie Martin**, Celebrant; **David Gortner**, Anchor

**Music:** David Gortner and Barbara Stebbins-Boaz

When Albert Einstein wisely advised, "Never lose a holy curiosity," he might have been specifically addressing those of us whose response to the really big questions tends toward asking more questions, and to finding satisfaction as much in the quest as in whatever answers we find.

**Sunday, July 31**

### "When 'it won't happen to me' happens"

**Ann Hanus**

**Gloria Holland**, Celebrant; **David Jeffers**, Anchor

**Music:** Ted Cory

Four years ago the unthinkable occurred: our RV suddenly burst into flames and lit our home on fire. We watched in disbelief as our home and RV burned. Then we dealt with the aftermath. What are the emotional, practical, and spiritual impacts when dealing with a traumatic event and how does it change lives?