

OLYMPIC UNITARIAN UNIVERSALIST FELLOWSHIP  
(OUUF)  
WEEKLY NEWSLETTER



July 24-31, 2022

7 Principles of Unitarian  
Universalism

Affirm & Promote:

The inherent worth and  
dignity of every person;

Justice, equity and  
compassion in human  
relations;

Acceptance of one  
another and  
encouragement to  
spiritual growth in our  
congregations;

A free and responsible  
search for truth and  
meaning;

The right of conscience  
and the use of the  
democratic process  
within our congregations  
and in society at large;

The goal of world  
community with peace,  
liberty, and justice for all;

Respect for the  
interdependent web of all  
existence of which we are  
a part.

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**SUNDAY SERVICE**

July 24, 2022

11am

We invite you to join us at the Fellowship for a hybrid service (Zoom and in-person). If you are unable to attend in person, please join us via \*Zoom.



**Guest Speaker:** Joseph Bednarik

**Sermon Title:** Spirit in Nature

**Sermon Description:** In Middlebury, Vermont, there is a second-growth forest called "Spirit in Nature," where numerous faith traditions are represented by various blazed trails that wind among the trees and ferns, rocks and creeks. There are paths for Christians and Buddhists, Druids and Bahais, and even a path labelled "Unitarian Universalist." This Sunday--with the Seventh Principle in heart and mind--we follow the blue blaze of the UU trail and reflect on the messages received.

**Biographical Data on Guest Speaker:** Joseph Bednarik serves as the Co-Publisher of Copper Canyon Press, a nonprofit literary publisher dedicated to poetry. He studied philosophy at Haverford College and speaks regularly at Unitarian Universalist congregations in the Puget Sound region.

**Come Whoever You Are**

UUA Worship Web

By [Marilyn Falkowski](#)



We welcome you.

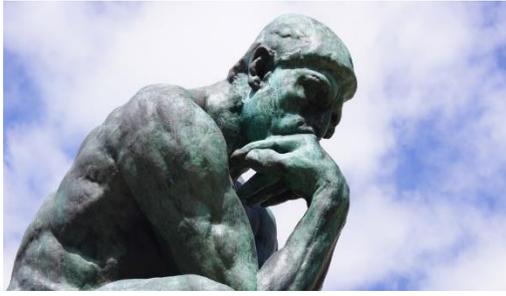
We know you come here for different reasons—to find community, to seek your spiritual and personal truths, to question, to nurture your heart and soul, to be nurtured, to explore new ideas, to find comfort, and perhaps to find the answers to some of your bigger questions.

We welcome you.

We know you come from different places, different religions, different beliefs and different backgrounds. We hope you will find comfort, connection, challenge, and love here. We hope you will find ways to provide outreach to others in our [congregation], in our local community, and in our world community.

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\*For a Zoom invite to the Sunday service, contact Elinor Tennyson at [olympicuuf.com](http://olympicuuf.com) or call (360) 417-2665



**WORDS TO LIVE BY**  
**Submitted by George Will**



**Sunday Service**  
**July 17, 2022**  
**“The Excesses of God”**  
**Rev. Bruce Bode,**

**Introduction :**

I don't know how many of you may be familiar with the naturalistic poetry of Robinson Jeffers, whose years are 1887-1962, and who lived almost of his adult life in Carmel, California, perched right on the ocean's edge.

Robinson Jeffers' work has been very important in my own life, as his poetry first took me by storm in the early 1980s – the first poet to grab me in a really deep way, influencing my own religious philosophy.

And many times since the 1980s I have made a pilgrimage, as it were, to his home in Carmel, California ... which is a stone house and a four-story stone tower – “Hawk Tower,” as Jeffers named it – that he himself built from stones that he hauled up from along the beach in that rugged coastal area.

Docents representing the Jeffers' Poetry Foundation provide weekend visitors a very fine two-hour tour of the house, garden, and tower, which I've taken a number of times.

The area is all built-up now, but at the time when Jeffers and his wife, Una, first made their home there in the early 1900s, it was just open field above the wild Pacific Ocean.

And they chose the place they built at because of its physical beauty. Indeed, the natural beauty of things was the primary sermon that Jeffers preached through his poetry, calling upon humans to turn away from their inward, narcissistic concerns and to turn outward to focus instead upon the natural beauty of rock and hawk, of sky and sea.

And, as I said in my introduction to my reading a few minutes ago, Jeffers came to believe that “beauty” is the engine that drives things. It is the inner urge/ push/ thrust/ direction/ purpose/ striving of the power of Being.

Beauty is, as Jeffers puts it, “the face of God” ... and, as I am saying, the “aim” of God. That is the hypothesis that I will put before you this morning

Link to service including sermon: [Excesses of God](#)

Complete service including sermon is attached to this newsletter

## Last Sunday was special

By Dianne Whitaker

Rev. Bruce Bode presented an inspiring message to the largest in person audience since the pandemic started. After the service, during sharing there was an informal dedication of the soon to be built geodome and a memorial to Daniel Whitaker, in whose memory, Elaine and Jack Webber dedicated the geodome. Most participants stayed for the outstanding potluck and socialization that followed. Submitted by Dianne Whitaker

**Hot off the press:  
By Rose Prestipino  
July 16<sup>th</sup>**

Dave Large finished putting the Geo dome together at 2:30 PM today, Monday. It took a little doing and lots of instructions to wade through, but he figured it out. With just a little Holding help for me, he completed the task. It looks beautiful, strong, will hold 600 pounds and is ready for use. Hooray!



## EVENTS, COMMITTEE NEWS, ANNOUNCEMENTS and THINGS OF INTEREST

We reserve the right to edit your submission for content, length and grammar. Lengthy posts may appear as a link  
Announcements need to be submitted **by 5pm MONDAY** to [admin@olympicuuf.com](mailto:admin@olympicuuf.com)

### UPCOMING EVENTS



### Here is an event by Phreddie Xwenang Lane – Lummi Nation Stommish Water Festival

**Awaken the Canoes • Canadian/USA 2-night stop over at Stommish Grounds**

**July 28th and 29th, Stommish Grounds, Lummi Indian Reservation**

A group of canoe families will be stopping thru for a NO HOST canoe encampment. Estimated 4-7 canoes will be traveling from Canada to Orcas Island, and stopping over at Lummi Nation for two nights. Open to the public.

<https://www.facebook.com/events/2875625022744004/?ref=newsfeed>

An email has been sent to friends and members through the OUUF Social Justice account with a list of dates and titles first. There's quite a menu with events on climate, environmental justice, reproductive justice, racial justice and immigration. Details on each of the events follows that listing.

**For more information:**

**Website:** [JUUstice Washington](http://JUUstice Washington)

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(Thank you Harmony Rutter for suggesting this information be posted)



**HOLD THE  
DATE: AUGUST 6<sup>th</sup>  
4:00- 7:00 ish.**

**PLEASE JOIN US TO  
CELEBRATE  
COME ONE, COME ALL!**

Emily is teaming up with (Ranger) Phil Z. of the Membership Committee to host a party at Emily's house/garden/lawn.

We will feature an "island time theme" and highlight summer's bounty: peach everything, fresh corn on the cob, whatever else people want to bring. We'll sing along karaoke style with Ranger Phil and dance by the light of the moon (if there is a moon). If you have a summer birthday, you'll get a lei and be invited to dance the hula. (Just kidd'ng about the hula). **RSVP for directions and details**  
Contact: Emily Beals at [ejbn@aol.com](mailto:ejbn@aol.com)

## ONGOING EVENTS

### OUTDOOR FUN!

By Cynthia Green  
[cynthiagreen@aol.com](mailto:cynthiagreen@aol.com)



Come join in for bocce ball and shuffleboard at Carrie Blake park.

**WHEN: Mondays 2:00 pm**

**WHERE: at the Carrie Blake Park** courts located beside the exit road leading out to N. Rhoderfer Road (enter at the entrance to the Water Reuse Demonstration Park to the north of the main entrance to Carrie Blake Park)

### COMMUNITY DRUM CIRCLE

By Penny Burdick



### COMMUNITY DRUM CIRCLE,

The Community Drum Circle gathers on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday of each month. For the summer months, through September, we meet at Pam's labyrinth, 186 Deer Ridge Lane, off Hooker Road west of Sequim.

For more information, contact: Penny Burdick at [mandalaht@gmail.com](mailto:mandalaht@gmail.com)



**.....ANYONE?**  
 By Rose Prestipino

Our last art class was led by Edie Davis. We created our own painting using the theme of salmon and a house. We used watercolors on top of crayons. what fun!

We will not have art classes in August as people seem to be very busy. We will resume in September so watch for announcements.



Lou Foldoe, Edie Davis, Phil Zenner, Cynthia Green

## COMMITTEE AND TEAM POSTS

### Olympic Unitarian Universalist Fellowship Green Sanctuary Committee

By Emily Beals

Green Sanctuary will hold its second meeting this coming Sunday after the worship sharing to choose actions that we want to support from the many good suggestions put forth by the membership. As before we will be live and on zoom.

We are going to combine the 2nd and 3rd categories, USE OF RESOURCES AND HIGH POLLUTING INDUSTRIES in our discussion. These are significant areas to delve into so if you have interest in learning more or being part of OUUF climate actions at whatever level works for you, please tune in. Click on the link to view these action plan suggestions and look for a category that speaks to you and to which you can commit a portion of your time next Sunday.

[Link: Action Plan Suggestions](#)

### Green Sanctuary 2030 Climate Tree of Life

Banner hanging in Fellowship sanctuary

Friends and members have added almost 100 Climate action leaves to our Climate Tree of Life.



There are blank leaves by the Tree to write what climate action/s you take. Fill one out and attach to a branch.



**Little Free Library**  
By Seri Mylchreest

Thanks for the donations of books for the Little Free Library! If you would like to help stock the library you can

help stock the library you can contact Serena ([serena@mylchreest.com](mailto:serena@mylchreest.com)) or feel free to put books in anytime you see that the library is running low.

Sometimes we get books which are not popular. In that case they are donated to Friends of the library groups. We could use help transporting those books occasionally.

**Olympic Unitarian Universalist Fellowship Care Team**  
By Patty Eaton



**Shout Out!**

Many thanks to those who offered to provide pet care during times of need. Your willingness to help with beloved furry friends is greatly appreciated!

The Fellowship's Care Team supports members and friends during times of need.

If you or someone you know needs support, contact the Care Team Coordinator:

Catharine Covert, [Covert@Olympus.net](mailto:Covert@Olympus.net) or text: 360-461-9991 or Cynthia Green, [cynthiagreen@outlook.com](mailto:cynthiagreen@outlook.com) or text: 360-460-6596 (email or text preferred).



Please click on this link for more information, including updates on members needing assistance and how you can help: **Care Team Update** [Care-Team-Update-7-18-2022](#)

**MEMBERS AND FRIENDS BULLETIN BOARD**

**OUIF Trade Referrals:** Click this link [TRADE REFERRAL LIST](#)



Come exercise with us on Mondays and Wednesdays from 9:30 - 10:30. Join our SAIL, Stay Active and Independent for Life, evidence-based class to improve your strength and balance and have fun.

Thanks to a grant from the Olympic Area Agency on Aging classes are free for county residents over 60 years of age. Preregistration is required.

Please call Marsha Melnick 360-808-3109 or Peggy Scheideler 760-518-4181.

Classes are in person or on Zoom

**CURRENT CLALLAM COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT COVID RISK.**  
**HIGH RISK: (> 200) –Strongly recommend masking in indoor settings for everyone, including vaccinated individuals.**

**LINK TO [CLALLAM COUNTY CORONAVIRUS INDEX](#)**

**EVENT CALENDAR**  
**on and of- site events**  
**July 24-31, 2022**

Website [Event Calendar](#)

DATE	TIME	GROUP	LOCATION	VIA	CONTACT
<b>Sunday 7-24</b>	11am	Sunday Service	Fellowship Sanctuary	In person and Zoom	Contact: <a href="mailto:admin@olympicuuf.com">admin@olympicuuf.com</a> or (360) 417-2665
	2pm	OOUF Board Meeting	Zoom	Zoom	Dianne Whitaker at <a href="mailto:diannehit@aol.com">diannehit@aol.com</a>
	3pm	C.O.B.S. - movie "Into the Arms of Strangers"	Fellowship Sanctuary	CLOSED	Contact: Jody Moss at <a href="mailto:jodymoss@wavecable.com">jodymoss@wavecable.com</a>
<b>Monday 7-25</b>	9am – 1pm	Exercise Classes	Fellowship Sanctuary	In person and Zoom	Contact: Marsha Melnick at 360-808-3109. Contact: Peggy Scheideler 760-518-4181.
	2pm	Bocce Ball	Carrie Blake Park	In person	Contact: Cynthia Green at <a href="mailto:cynthiagreen@outlook.com">cynthiagreen@outlook.com</a>
<b>Wednesday 7-27</b>	9am – 12:15	Exercise Classes	Fellowship Sanctuary	In person and Zoom	Contact: Marsha Melnick at 360-808-3109. Contact: Peggy Scheideler 760-518-4181.
	6-7pm	OOUF Women's Meeting	Member Home	Zoom	Contact: Jean Stratton <a href="mailto:jeanmstratton@gmail.com">jeanmstratton@gmail.com</a>
	7-9pm	The Evening Men's Group	member Home	Zoom	Contact: George Stratton (360) 808-4477
<b>Friday 7-29</b>	2pm	Sunday Music Recording	Fellowship Sanctuary	CLOSED	
	6pm	NA Meeting	Fellowship Sanctuary	CLOSED	

**SUNDAY SERVICE 7-17-2022**  
**SERMON BY Rev. Bruce Bode**  
**print copy attached to this newsletter**