

OLYMPIC UNITARIAN UNIVERSALIST FELLOWSHIP
(OUUF)
WEEKLY NEWSLETTER



August 28 -September 4 , 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

August 28, 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: Terry Barrett

Sermon title and Description: You Matter Very Much

A sign is posted nearby that says You Matter Very Much! What a refreshing message. What are the messages that you find in the community where you live? Amid the division and challenges of this time we are living in, we can find some encouraging surprises. Terry Barrett will take us on a journey into some interesting discoveries that will make you feel good.

Biography: Terry Barrett is dedicated to inspiring a more peaceful way of living together. She has lived on the Olympic Peninsula since 2013. Terry completed a master's in divinity in 2011 outside of Portland, Oregon and is now continuing toward ministry. She is a parent and grandparent, so she understands the importance of supporting the health and wellbeing of families.

Come Whoever You Are

UUA Worship Web

By [Marilyn Falkowski](#)



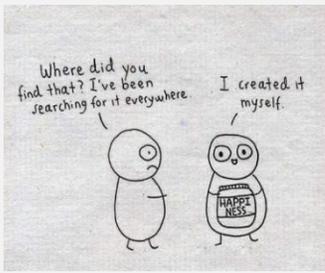
We welcome you.

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 or call (360) 417-2665**



WORDS TO LIVE BY
Submitted by George Will

"Happiness is more a matter of subtraction than of addition."

Meister Eckhart

Sunday Service

Sunday AUGUST 21st Attendance: Zoom 28, In person 35
TOTAL ATTENDANCE: 63 (plus 3 children)

Searching for Free and Responsible

Delivered at Olympic UU Fellowship on August 22, 2022, by Joseph Bednarik

Among the countless words written and published, whispered and chanted, yodeled and sung over the course of human history... Among the shredded papers, deleted files, bonfires fueled by banned books, and censorship both active and passive, here are twenty words—in English—for your consideration this fine Sunday morning: "Language is courage: the ability to conceive a thought, to speak it, and by doing so to make it true." Those words were composed by a writer of great imagination and courage, and as we enter a sermon entitled "Searching for Free and Responsible," we would do well to listen once again to Salman Rushdie, a sentence from his novel *The Satanic Verses*: "Language is courage: the ability to conceive a thought, to speak it, and by doing so to make it true."

Do you hear that?

That... is what some religious and political fundamentalists have been trying to do to Salman Rushdie for decades.

CLICK LINK TO CONTINUE.....[Sermon - Searching for Free and Responsible](#)

[\(copy attached to newsletter\)](#)

Sunday August 21st
What a Sunday service!

In Person: Joseph Bednarik, Joel and Grace Yelland, Music Director and "mother" Harmony and lots of great food for the POTLUCK !!



35 people in person at the sanctuary

Joseph delivering another great sermon



Joel leading the congregation in feeling and singing joy !



Harmony, Felicity and Tucker – always on the move, or being moved!

Sunday August 21st
Pulpit flowers –

If you can share flowers for the pulpit, please contact Elinor Tennyson at admin@olympicuuf.com or call (360) 417-2665



Arrangement by Edie Davis

Vivian's Corner

By Vivian Mulligan



"He who never sacrificed a present to a future good or a personal to a general one can speak of happiness only as the blind do of colors."

Olympia Brown

If you google "First Female Minister USA" you will find the story of Antoinette Brown Blackwell, née Antoinette Louisa Brown. She was, indeed, the first woman to be ordained a minister of a recognized denomination in the United States. But she was not ordained by her entire denomination, but, instead, she was ordained minister of the Congregational church in South Butler, New York

On June 25, 1863, Olympia Brown became the **first** woman to be ordained as a minister with official approval from **any** national denomination, when she was ordained by the Universalist Church.

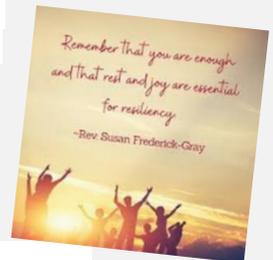
She was a suffragette, and an activist for the Democratic Party She is perhaps best known for tweaking her congregant, P.T. Barnum, for additional contributions.

Getting ordained was no simple feat. Ms. Brown simply didn't know her place. She was strong-willed, feisty, opinionated and, perhaps above all, tenacious. Her path to the ministry was a rocky one. In response to her requests for admission to The Unitarian School of Meadville, Pennsylvania: *the trustees thought it would be too great an experiment to admit a woman. Then she tried Oberlin: She could be admitted but could not participate in public exercises. Finally, Ebenezer Fisher, the President of the Universalist Divinity School at St. Lawrence University offered her admission but added that he did not think women were called to the ministry. But I leave that between you and the Great Head of the Church. This, Olympia thought, was exactly where it should be left. Later she wrote But when I arrived, I was told I had not been expected and that Mr. Fisher had said I would not come as he had written so discouragingly to me. I had supposed his discouragement was my encouragement.*

Rev. Brown's autobiography delineates many of her hardships but, rather than dwell on difficulties at Divinity School, she simply wrote: *My second year was less disagreeable than the first.*



Today the president of the UUA (Unitarian Universalist Association) is Rev. Susan Frederick-Gray, the first woman elected to that position. We've come a long way, Baby.



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

UPCOMING EVENTS



Save the Date!
Saturday,
September 17th at 1pm

By Phil Zenner

Join us as we enjoy a final celebration of summer with a proper End of Summer party in the Friendship Garden at OUUF! Expect great food (some grilled on the spot), great music and a karaoke singalong, outdoor games, a festive atmosphere and camaraderie when you arrive! Spend the final Saturday of Summer 2022 having fun and connecting with friends. Put Saturday, Sep 17th at 1pm on your calendar NOW while you're thinking about it!

Adopt-A-Highway
HWY 101 CLEAN UP

We are planning for highway clean up on Saturday,
September 24th
9:30-11:00am.
Contact Peggy Toppenberg at



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from

peggytoppenberg@gmail.com



Looking for volunteer singers/musicians to perform and help raise funds

for OCEANA.ORG during next year's Earth Day Spring Fest **2023** which will be held on **Saturday April 22nd from 3 to 6 PM.** Here's a link to this year's program to give an example of what we'll be putting together

[Spring Fest 2022 Program](#)

Rehoming Market Place Now Open

Submitted by Dianne Whitaker

Do you have items in your home that are taking up space and gathering dust, because you no longer use them?

Rehoming means you find another home for them with someone who can use them, I recently rehomed a freezer, a paella pan, and a fire pit among other items. What do you have to rehome?

Send your name, the name of the item and your contact information to me at diannewhit@aol.com and I will submit the items to the Weekly each Monday.

ONGOING EVENTS

OUTDOOR FUN!

By Cynthia Green
cynthiagreen@aol.com

Come join in for bocci 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

The Community Drum Circle gathers on the 3rd 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



COMMITTEE AND TEAM POSTS

Olympic Unitarian Universalist Fellowship Green Sanctuary Committee

By Emily Beals

Eleven Action Plans have been chosen by members of the congregation. Click on the link to view them. Members of the Green Sanctuary Team will be contacting all those who expressed interest in working on a particular plan. The GS Team will continue to support the implementation of these plans but they now belong to the congregation and we are challenged as a body to make them the best that they can be. We encourage every member of the congregation get involved with implementing these actions at whatever level is comfortable for you. We need bold action from people just like ourselves from every town city and village around the world.

[ACTION-PLAN-CHOICES](#)



Olympic Unitarian Universalist Fellowship Care Team

By Patty Eaton

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 or text: 360-461-9991 or Cynthia Green, 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:

Latest Care Team Update

[Care-Team-Update-8-8-2022](#)

MEMBERS AND FRIENDS BULLETIN BOARD

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

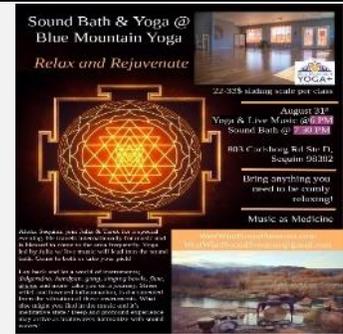
Submitted by Julia Buggy

Sunday, August 28th, 7-9 pm

Kirtan w/ Natavar and Salish Sea Band

by Donation held at Blue Mountain Yoga 803 Carlsborg Rd Sequim

Chanting kirtan is a devotional practice that helps to uplift the mind, open the heart and bring inner peace and is the fastest, easiest and most joyful way to achieve peace of mind. The mantras, sung in call and response and mostly in Sanskrit, are mystical universal sounds that resonate with our chakras and remove negative energies. Come sing your heart out.



Another great event – August 31st



Dog House \$25

Entrance 20" high, length 35" We have a large Igloo style dog house. Retail for \$125. Puppy won't use it, need to re-home! Call Sharon Taylor if interested. 503-319-7879

**EVENT CALENDAR
on and of- site events**

Website [Event Calendar](#)

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DATE	TIME	GROUP	LOCATION	VIA	CONTACT
Sunday 8-28	11am	Sunday Service	Fellowship Sanctuary	In person and Zoom	Contact: admin@olympicuuf.com or (360) 417-2665
	2pm	Board of Trustee Meeting	Zoom	Zoom	Contact: Dianne Whitaker at dianne Whitaker@aol.com
Monday 8-29	9am – 1pm	Exercise Classes	Fellowship Sanctuary	In person and Zoom	Contact: Marsha Melnick at 360-808-3109. Contact: Peggy Scheideler 760-518-4181.
		Bocce Ball	Carrie Blake Park	In person	Contact: Cynthia Green at cynthiagreen@outlook.com
Wednesday 8-31	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 jeanmstratton@gmail.com
	7-9pm	The Evening Men's Group	member Home	Zoom	Contact: George Stratton (360) 808-4477
Friday 9-2	2pm	Sunday Music Recording	Fellowship Sanctuary	CLOSED	
	6pm	NA Meeting	Fellowship Sanctuary	CLOSED	