

OLYMPIC UNITARIAN UNIVERSALIST FELLOWSHIP (OUUF)

WEEKLY NEWSLETTER | NOVEMBER 27-DECEMBER 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.

[Board of Trustees Bios](#)

[BOD Minutes and Notes](#)

[Our Staff Bios](#)

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Upcoming Sunday Service

NOVEMBER 27, 2022

11AM

IN-PERSON AND ON ZOOM*

GUEST SPEAKER:

Joseph Bednarik

SERMON:

Me, Responsible?



SERMON DESCRIPTION:

The Fourth Principle of Unitarian Universalism calls us each and all to a free and responsible search for truth and meaning. While “free” is readily understood, what does “responsible” mean in the context of this principle? This Sunday we invite “responsible” to have an honest heart-to-heart conversation in hopes of getting very clear on what is really being asked of us.

GUEST SPEAKER BIO:

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.

**We invite you to join us at the Fellowship Hall for our hybrid service (in-person and online via Zoom). If you are unable to attend in person, please join us via Zoom. For the link, please contact John Huffstetler at admin@olympicuuf.com or call (360) 417-2665.*

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.

Announcements, Events, Committee News, and Things of Interest

VOLUNTEER



By Dianne Whitaker

Want to contribute to OUUF by volunteering?

Click below to view all the possibilities and the people to contact to volunteer.

[OUUF Committees](#)

A Message from the Board

December 4th is our annual congregational meeting this year. Our pledges are down \$7,000 from last year, and we are currently looking at a shortfall of \$12,000 for the 2023 proposed budget.

We need people who can increase their pledges and for those of you who have not turned in your pledge forms to do so.

If more pledges and increased pledges don't come in by January 1st, we will need to take a hard look at the budget in terms of what cuts may need to be made. Since Covid, we have not been taking plate collections. The Board of Trustees voted to start taking Sunday plate collections again. At our Thanksgiving dinner we will be taking a free will donation that will go into the general fund. Please look for the donation box.

You can call or email **Greg (sensibag@hotmail.com)** or **Seri (serena@mylchreest.com)** with your intentions.

Pledge forms are also available [here](#).



Olympic Unitarian Universalist Fellowship Care Team

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

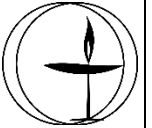
If you or someone you know needs support, contact the Care Team Coordinator: Catharine Covert (Covert@Olympus.net or text 360-461-9991) or Cynthia Green (cynthiagreen@outlook.com or text: 360-460-6596). Email or text preferred.

Please click below for more information, including updates on:

- ❖ Joyce Estep
- ❖ Dani Casey
- ❖ Azella

[11/21/22 Care Team Update](#)

Previous Sunday Service



11/20/22

Attendance info

On Zoom:	39
In-person:	34
Children:	8
TOTAL:	81

Sermon:

Rev. Dr. Lynn Ungar
"Grace & Gratitude"

**When available a copy of the sermon is attached to the Weekly Newsletter email and the website.*

Weekly Newsletter



Entries for the following week are due
NO LATER THAN 5pm Monday

We reserve the right to edit your submission for clarity and brevity (including altering its content, length, and grammar). Lengthy posts may appear as a link to the OUUF website.

Email all entries to

admin@olympicuuf.com

Please indicate "Newsletter" in the subject line.

Thanksgiving Potluck

By Patty Eaton

DATE: Thursday, November 24

TIME: 1pm

PLACE: Fellowship Hall

All are welcome to attend the Thanksgiving Potluck for great food, fellowship and fun. To make sure we have enough tables, plates, and pumpkin pie, please RSVP to Patty Eaton at pattyjeaton@gmail.com or 408-712-4041. Please include what you are planning to bring. We are looking for a few more folks for the clean up crew. Please contact Patty if you are interested. Many hands make light work. Bring board games for after dinner fun.



Hope to see you there!

Announcements, Events, Committee News, and Things of Interest (cont'd)

Outdoor opportunities with the OUUF Adventure Group!

By Phil Zenner and Emily Beals

DATE: Friday, December 9

TIME: 3:45pm

PLACE: Olympic Discovery Trail



Our next meander will be the 3.8 m Discovery Trail from Robin Hill Pinnell St. parking lot to the Railroad Bridge Nature Center on **Friday, December 9**. Meet at the Nature Center parking lot at **3:45pm** and carpool to the starting point at Robin Hill Park. Phil says the Christmas lights along the way are lovely and a fun part of the holidays in Sequim. There is food and beverage available in the Nature Center after the walk. We should wrap things up about 5:30pm, in time for everyone to head home for dinner.

Please let Phil or Emily know if you'll be joining us!

philzenner2002@yahoo.com or ejbn@aol.com

Annual Congregational Meeting Sunday, 12/4.

Members, we need your voice!

At this meeting we will elect the Board of Trustees for 2023 and vote on the 2023 Budget, among other items.

An email containing the 2023 ballot was sent to OUUF members this week.

Ballots will also be available at our Thanksgiving Potluck.

Questions? Please contact

admin@olympicuuf.com or call (360) 417-2665.

Holiday Gifts for Children in Foster Care

By Florence Bucierka



Would you like to be a Christmas Elf or an OUUF Angel?



Over the last ten years, OUUF has participated in the campaign for Holiday Gifts for Children in Foster Care. It is organized by the local Foster Parent Association.

Last year members of OUUF donated either designated gifts or gave money for gifts to be purchased for a particular child. Our congregational members were very generous. We helped give a happier holiday to **34 children** ages newborn to 16 years old. Tags with a child's needs and wants listed are available. If you wish to have someone else do the shopping, you may donate money.

Questions or to get a tag call

360- 683-4315 or email

florenceb@wavecable.com

I will be happy to discuss how you can help. Make checks out to Florence Bucierka and send to 211 Windmill Lane, Sequim, WA 98382.

Unwrapped gifts must be returned to the church in a bag/box with the tag attached by Sunday, December 4th.

Pool & Darts

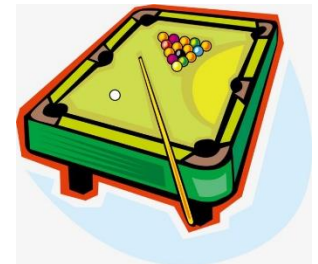
By Cynthia Green

The outdoor bocci ball & shuffleboard games are stopped and will resume next spring. To replace them, we will have Monday afternoon pool and darts following lunch at the Oasis family bar and grill. Meet for lunch followed by playing pool and darts (about an hour and a half).

DAY: Mondays

TIME: 1pm

PLACE: 301 E. Washington Street, Sequim
(in the shopping area just east of Pioneer Park)



For more information contact:

Cynthia Green

cynthiagreen@aol.com



Work COMPLETED! on the new OUUF parking lot

Photo courtesy of John Huffstetler

Announcements, Events, Committee News, and Things of Interest (cont'd)

Garrison Keillor and the UU's (Part 1)

By Vivian Mulligan

Garrison Keillor is a success. That success is based, at least in part, on years of taking humorous potshots at Unitarian Universalists.



Garrison Keillor

Green Sanctuary 2030: Action Plans

By Emily Beals

This coming Sunday, members of our Action Plan Committees will tell you about the actions we have come up with that address our changing climate.

We want to make this as interesting as possible so a slide show will accompany the presentation. We'll have a drawing for some **mesh produce bags** after the presentation thanks to a donation by Mike Shonsey. We're also serving **snacks!**



We invite you to consider joining one or more of these actions at a level that is right for you because we need you and the power of "we" is so much stronger than the power of "me."



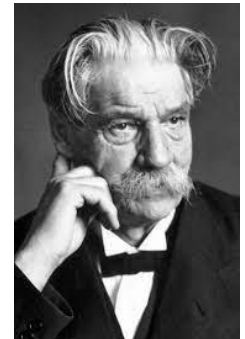
Garrison Keillor and the UU's (Part 1 cont'd)

It has become increasingly clear that, as difficult as this may be to believe, he really does dislike us. When asked why, he said, "My ill-feelings toward the UUs are due to their relentless evangelizing among the dead."

Guilty as charged.

Albert Schweitzer is a case in point. In 1961 Schweitzer was invited to become an honorary member of the Church of the Larger Fellowship, which was founded by Unitarians to serve people in remote areas. Albert Schweitzer accepted.

In December of that year, he stated in an interview for Time Magazine that he had broken with the Lutheran Church, and he admitted that for a long time he had had connections with the Unitarian Church. But he said, "I am a Protestant, but above all I am a scientist, and as such I can be on good terms with all Protestant churches." The short biography I read called Albert Schweitzer a "Unitarian More or Less."



Albert Schweitzer

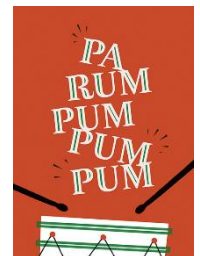


Sample holiday brooch



...Anyone?

Holiday Brooches
Friday, December 2
Adults: 11:30am
Children: 3:30pm



Come and make a holiday felt brooch, a wearable piece of art, to signal the festive season. This will be a shortened art class, a "make and take" craft project. Children only from 3:30-4:30pm (close supervision provided with glue guns). Given by Edie Davis.

***Classes are open to all ages and, as always, there is no charge.**

Member & Friends Bulletin Board

OUFF Trade Referrals

A list of contractor and handyperson referrals (for hire only – not volunteer). Click [here](#).

Re-homing Market Place

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?



Re-homing means you find another home for them with someone who can use them. I recently re-homed 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.

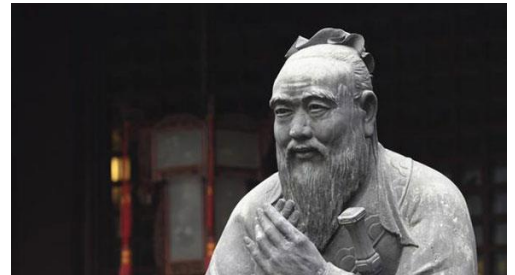
**Kelly Sanderbeck has a ukulele and songbook rehome.
Please call her at 206-854-4302.**

Quote

Submitted by George Will

Here is a words-to-live-by quote that fits in with UU values:

“Be content with what you have.
Rejoice in the way things are.
When you realize there is nothing
lacking, the whole world belongs
to you.”
老子 (Lao Tzu)
Chinese philosopher



Event Calendar

November 27-December 4, 2022

OUUF is following Clallam County guidelines regarding the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic.
We recommend full vaccination for attending in-person services.

DATE	TIME	TITLE	LOCATION	ATTENDANCE	CONTACT
Sunday 11/27	11am-12pm	Sunday Service	Fellowship Sanctuary	In-person and on Zoom	Contact: admin@olympicuuf.com or (360) 417-2665
Monday 11/28	9am-12:15pm	Exercise Classes	Fellowship Sanctuary	In-person and on Zoom	Contact: Marsha Melnick at 360-808-3109 or Peggy Scheideler at 760-518-4181
	1pm	Pool & Darts	Oasis Bar & Grill	In-person	Contact: Cynthia Green at cynthiagreen@outlook.com
Tuesday 11/29	<i>*Currently no events</i>				
Wednesday 11/30	9am-12:15pm	Exercise Classes	Fellowship Sanctuary	In-person and on Zoom	Contact: Marsha Melnick at 360-808-3109 or Peggy Scheideler at 760-518-4181
	1:30pm-8:30pm	Red Ribbon Dinner	Fellowship Sanctuary	CLOSED	
	6pm-7pm	OUUF Women's Meeting	Member Home	Zoom	Contact: Jean Stratton jeanmstratton@gmail.com
	7pm-9pm	The Evening Men's Group	Member Home	Zoom	Contact: George Stratton (360) 808-4477
Thursday 12/1	<i>*Currently no events</i>				
Friday 12/2	11:30am-1:30pm	Art Session	Fellowship Sanctuary	In-person	Contact: Rose Prestipino roseprestipino@gmail.com
	6pm-7:30pm	NA Meeting	Fellowship Sanctuary	CLOSED	
Saturday 12/3	<i>*Currently no events</i>				