

OLYMPIC UNITARIAN UNIVERSALIST FELLOWSHIP (OUUF)

WEEKLY NEWSLETTER | DECEMBER 4-11, 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](#)

Upcoming Sunday Service

DECEMBER 4, 2022

11AM

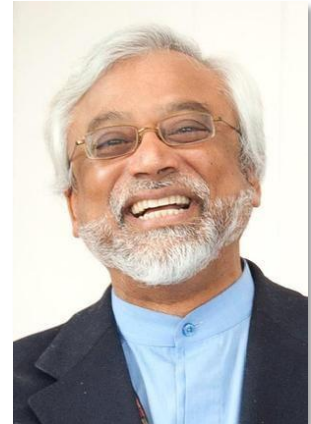
IN-PERSON AND ON ZOOM*

GUEST SPEAKER:

Jamal Rahman

SERMON:

***Community and Spiritual
Practices***



SERMON DESCRIPTION:

Jamal will talk about building personal circles of love and learning spiritual practices. The need is critical to counter the growing tide of anger and depression leading to violence and suicides.

GUEST SPEAKER BIO:

Jamal Rahman is a popular speaker on Islam, Sufi spirituality, and interfaith relations. Along with his Interfaith Amigos, he has been featured in the New York Times, CBS News, BBC, and various NPR programs. He is a former co-host of Interfaith Talk Radio and travels nationally and internationally, presenting at retreats and workshops.

**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.

Fellowship Hall Location:

1033 N. Barr Road
Port Angeles, WA 98362

Mailing address:

P O Box 576, Carlsborg, WA 98324

Contact Information:

(360) 417-2665

admin@olympicuuf.com

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.

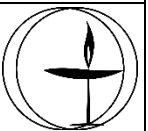
If you or someone you know needs support, contact the Care Team Coordinator: Catharine Covert (Covert@Olympus.net or text 360-461-9991) or Cynthia Green (cynthiagreen@outlook.com or text: 360-460-6596). Email or text preferred.

Please click below for more information, including updates on:

- ❖ Joyce Estep
- ❖ Dani Casey
- ❖ Azella

[11/28/22 Care Team Update](#)

Previous Sunday Service



11/27/22

Attendance info

On Zoom:	41
In-person:	37
Children:	7
TOTAL:	86

Sermon:

Joseph Bednarik

"Me, Responsible?"

**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.

Green Sanctuary 2030: Action Plans

By Emily Beals

Yesterday our congregation launched our multi-faceted climate change Action Plan endeavour with enthusiasm and purpose.

Welcome to the journey. We hope you are all on board at whatever level works for you.



[Here](#) are the persons to contact for information and AP sign-up.



And [here](#) is the full Action Plan document.



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: 3:15pm

PLACE: Olympic Discovery Trail



We're adventuring again! This meander will meet at 3:15, December 9, at the Nature Center/Railroad Bridge in Sequim, then caravan to the parking lot at Robin Hill parking lot and begin a mostly level 3.8 mile one way only walk back to the Nature Center. We'll take in the holiday lights on the Railroad Bridge and end up about 5:30pm at Emily's house for soup, salad, & dessert. Bring a head lamp or flashlight and come walk with us or just meet us for a light supper at 5:30pm (183 Webb Rd. Sequim. Take 101/Hooker to Atterberry to Webb.)

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

philzenner2002@yahoo.com or ejbn@aol.com

Annual Congregational Meeting

THIS 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.

Questions? Please contact admin@olympicuuf.com or call (360) 417-2665.

Garrison Keillor and the UU's (Part 2)

By Vivian Mulligan

Garrison Keillor also strongly dislikes our tendency to change the titles and lyrics of hymns.



Garrison Keillor

Lunch, 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

Garrison Keillor and the UU's (Part 2 cont'd)

After a Christmas season visit to First Parish in Cambridge Unitarian Universalist, he blind-sided us in his syndicated column:

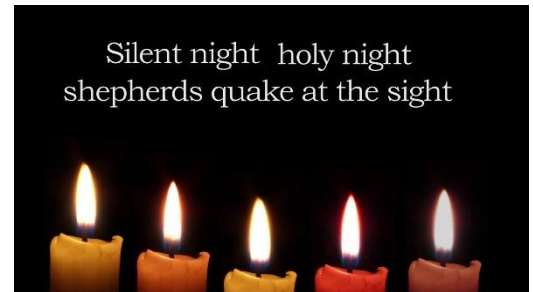
Don't mess with Christmas:

It's a Christian holiday, dammit, and it's plain wrong to rewrite "Silent Night." Unitarians, I'm talking to you!

Again, guilty as charged. We do change the lyrics of hymns to be more inclusive and to better reflect our values.

In one case, the author of a popular hymn changed both the title and some of the lyrics out of respect for those who cannot stand. The Rev. Jason Shelton changed the title of "Standing on the Side of Love" to "Answering the Call of Love."

I remember our choir, surrounded by our hymnals, editing them by hand one-by-one to reflect the new title.



Some of the original lyrics to "Silent Night"

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



Sample holiday brooch



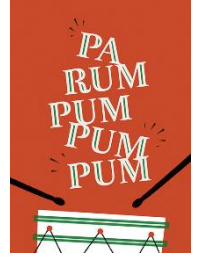
...Anyone?

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

OOUF Trade Referrals

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

Re-homing Market Place

Submitted by Dianne Whitaker

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.

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



Dani has a brown leather pedestal chair and footstool that need a new home. She will throw in a container of saddle soap to keep it clean and new looking. Please contact Dani at (360) 797-2470 if you are interested.



Brown, sturdy, comfy chair with spacious seat, arm rests at height to easily get out of chair – looking for new home. Contact Barbara Wieseman's daughter Katherine, (360) 775-6373.

Request

By Edie Davis

For a future art project (January or February), I'd like to show folks how to make homemade envelopes of various sizes using colorful glossy paper from calendars or old atlas/map paper.

If you have any of the following items, please consider donating:

- Calendars (medium/large)
- Atlas books
- Maps

Clallam Conservation District Native Plant Sale!

By Patty Eaton

Order now until January 23, 2023

(limited quantities, order soon for greatest selection)

You can pick up your plants in early March from Lazy J Tree Farm in Sequim.

Clallam Conservation District

<https://clallamcd.org/native-plants>

The sale features a plethora of native plants, including Pacific Rhododendron plugs, Nootka Rose, and Snowberry shrubs to towering Douglas Firs and Large Leaf Maples—and so much more. Plants are typically bareroot or plugs and sold in bundles of 5-10 plants. If you can't use all of the plants, consider sharing with other members of the congregation. The Native Plant Team will help facilitate plant sharing. Don't miss this wonderful opportunity to enjoy native plants while building wildlife habitat—at a great cost savings.



Black Twinberry



Nootka Rose



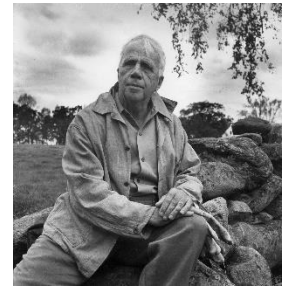
Oceanspray

Quote

Submitted by George Will

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

"The best way out is always through."
-Robert Frost, American poet



George's Interpretation:

There is no easy way to get out of a difficult situation. We just have to go through it. Still, we survive. We live through our pain. We feel our pain, but carry on. And then, one day, we are on the other side. We look back and think, "that was a rough period, but I made it." And this experience allows us to feel more alive. We feel more confident and relish more the stress-less times of our lives.

Looking

I've been at Crestwood Health and Rehabilitation Center in Port Angeles for several months. I now want a place to stay in Sequim, either a one bedroom or rent a room.

Azella (425) 480-2293

Event Calendar

December 4-11, 2022

OOUF 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 12/4	11am-12pm	Sunday Service	Fellowship Sanctuary	In-person and on Zoom	Contact: admin@olympicuuf.com or (360) 417-2665
	12-1pm	Annual Congregational Meeting	Fellowship Sanctuary	In-person and on Zoom	Contact: admin@olympicuuf.com or (360) 417-2665
Monday 12/5	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	Lunch, Pool, & Darts	Oasis Bar & Grill	In-person	Contact: Cynthia Green at cynthiagreen@outlook.com
Tuesday 12/6	10am-11:30pm	Clallam County Threshold Choir (CCTC)	Fellowship Sanctuary	In-person	Contact: Penny Burdick at mandalaht@gmail.com
	1pm-3pm	Reading for the Fun of It!	Member Home	In-person	Contact: Kitty Hawks at 206-755-2832 or alettehawks@yahoo.com
Wednesday 12/7	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
	6pm-7pm	OOUF 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 12/8	<i>*Currently no events</i>				
Friday 12/9	6pm-7:30pm	NA Meeting	Fellowship Sanctuary	CLOSED	
Saturday 12/10	<i>*Currently no events</i>				