

OLYMPIC UNITARIAN UNIVERSALIST FELLOWSHIP (OUUF)

WEEKLY NEWSLETTER | MARCH 24-30, 2024



Seven
Principles of
Unitarian
Universalism



Affirm and 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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Upcoming Sunday Service

MAR 24, 2024 | 11:00AM

ATTEND IN-PERSON OR ON ZOOM*

GUEST SPEAKER: Joseph Bednarik

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.

SERMON TITLE & DESCRIPTION: Figure Out Something

In his poem "Commuting," Clemens Starck writes: "My son, he's ten, he wants to know what we're here for." During the poet's commute home from a long day at work, he challenges himself to "figure out something," and he has a twenty-mile drive to do it. This sermon explores our own commute through life, the profound questions that arise, and the answers we may realize. Or not. Special guest Conner Bouchard-Roberts, the Poet Laureate of Port Townsend, will interweave Stark's poems throughout the sermon.

SERVICE LEADER: Vivan Mulligan

** If you are unable to attend in person, please join us via Zoom.*

Zoom Link – *New Zoom Information*

<https://zoom.us/j/92300175416?pwd=Wm1GUUZpMHgrZzRvS3A0aINQaXNrZz09>

Meeting ID: 923 0017 5416

Passcode: OUUF2020

Children's Religious Experience

Lesson plans by Christina Parker

March 24th

Circle of Trees: Come into the Circle, Workshop 1

We are beginning the next 8-week workshops for the Circle of Trees. This program helps participants understand trees as "providers of life," explore a spiritual connection to nature, identify threats to the web of life, and feel inspired to take action to protect trees and our environment.

Trees are an integral part of all life on earth, and they are facing stresses because of deforestation and pollution—stresses that threaten our very existence.



Announcements, Events, Committee News, and Things of Interest

Joys and Sorrows Discussion

The Sunday Service Committee met on March 10, 2024. They discussed concerns about the Joys and Sorrows segment of Sunday Service. They decided to have an open meeting on April 7, right after the Sunday Service to invite the Fellowship to discuss the Joys and Sorrows segment. Please come and share your ideas on April 7. ~Bob Nuffer.

Children's Religious Experience Teacher

OOUF is looking for a CRE Teacher. Thank you to Jean Stratton for her service to OOUF and the Children's Religious Experience program.

Job responsibilities, general tasks, and requirements include:

- The Teacher assists the Lead Teacher to develop the weekly lesson plans
- The Teacher assists the Lead Teacher in adapting the UUA LREDA or Quimper UUF curriculum as appropriate for small class sizes where there may be different students in the classroom each week and limited class time (no longer than 1 hour)
- Provide structure and safety for playtime
- Ensure that two adults will be present in the classroom at all times
- Ensure that all children are cared for appropriately; seek assistance as needed
- Address concerns or needs a that parent/guardian shares regarding CRE
- Communicate with parents/guardians of children attending program

Contact Julia Buggy at juliafbuggy@gmail.com with general questions about the job. Contact olympicuuf@outlook.com for the full job description or go to the OOUF website [here](#). Deadline to apply is April 9, 2024. Send resume that includes relevant job experience to olympicuuf@outlook.com.

2023 Taxes

Do you itemize your tax deductions?

If you do and would like a statement from OOUF stating your contributions to OOUF in 2023, please contact Greg Sensiba at sensibag@hotmail.com or phone (360) 683-8914.

Art for Everyone

Friday, March 22, 2024 | 11:30am – 1pm Equinox/Ostara Egg Dying Extravaganza

Come help us decorate unique eggs for the season of fertility and spring rebirth. Ridiculously fun and creative. We did this activity two years ago and had a blast. Some of the eggs will be on display for Easter/Ostara Sunday services. All ages/abilities welcome. All materials provided. ~Edie Davis at Violaswamp8@gmail.com

From UUA



Easter and Ostara

Click on the link below for more information on this celebration.

[Easter and Ostara | WorshipWeb | UUA.org](#)

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Picnic and Barbecue

Mark your calendars for April 20th, for the picnic and barbecue at the Fellowship. There will be games, music, good food, and surprises. Thank you to Signe Johnson for stepping up as primary organizer.

Spring 2024 Cascadia Chalice Lighters Call

It is time for the Spring 2024 Cascadia Chalice Lighters Call. Proceeds will be awarded to the Woodinville Unitarian Universalist Church in Woodinville, Washington, to modernize the audio system in their facilities. This modernization will allow them to improve the audio quality within the sanctuary and for their online attendees.

You may set up monthly automatic contributions online or mail in a check. More of your money will go toward the grant if you opt for emailed call letters and make your contribution online.

Note: direct costs to administer the Call are reimbursed from the donations before the grant is issued.

Please contact chalicelighters@cascadiauu.org for any questions.

You can donate online through their website: <https://cascadiauu.org>

Mail checks to: Cascadia Growth Fund

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Interfaith Community Winter Read

The OUUF Interfaith Community Winter Read, "Ladder to the Light: An Indigenous Elder's Meditations on Hope and Courage" by Steven Charleston will be on Sunday afternoons from 2 to 3:30 on Zoom. Bob Nuffer will be leading it again. It began on January 28, 2024, and runs eight sessions ending on **March 24, 2024**. Contact Bob by text: 360-477-3939 or email: e_nuff@msn.com to sign on to Winter Read 2024.

Kitchen News

Anni Lanigan is leading the Sunday morning hospitality to provide refreshments for guests and members after our worship service. Thank you to everyone who has signed up to volunteer.

Please check the schedule on the clipboard in the kitchen for your scheduled times.

Lunch & Billiards

By Cynthia Green

Come join us at **Oasis Bar & Grill** for lunch and billiards! **Monday** afternoons at **1pm**

301 E. Washington Street (same shopping area as the Moon Palace Chinese restaurant).

Contact Cynthia Green for more information:

cynthiagreen@outlook.com or text 360-460-6596.



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Green Sanctuary

Films

Here are some outstanding films for climate change solutions. There will be a car-pool group meeting at the Fellowship to go together to view the films. "CTRL and click" the image for more information.



Climate Tree



Because of your continuing response, our Climate Tree will remain in the sanctuary a few more weeks. Continue to express your view by contacting those in positions of governance who make decisions that determine the destiny of our planet. It is when 'me' becomes 'we' that we solve the problem.

Thanks to the following friends and members of OUUF who have stepped up and made a public commitment to continue climate actions to stop human-caused climate change:

Vivian Mulligan, Penny Burdick, Peggy & John Toppenberg, Erde Sun, Harmony Rutter, Edie Davis, Elizabeth Clark, Dan Parrish, Dianne Whitaker, Ren Garypie, Margot Hewitt, Cyndi Ross, Michael Witkin, Jolie Will, George Will, Emily Beals, Diane Hood, Pauline Warren, Stephen Landess, Signe Johnson, Theresa Heiler, Patty Eaton, Geoff Rimositis, Florence & Michael Bucierka, Brian & Pam Berardo, Catherine Covert, Anni Lanigan, Tom Massey, Katheryn Scott, Dorothy MacEachern, Kathi Gunn, Adeline Hannah, Jean Stratton, Bob Nuffer, Nels Peterson, Julia Buggy, Tucker Parrish, Felicity Parrish, Yara Avery, Evan Avery, Orion, Silas, Nathan Avery.

Homecoming Service

Help us plan our Homecoming Service and/or our New Members Class.

Patty Eaton, Ken Nielson, and Emily Beals of the newly reorganized Membership Committee are extending an invitation to friends and members of OUUF to help plan a joyful Homecoming Service and an exciting New Members Class. This has a commitment of several months and you can join one or both projects. We look forward to creating vibrant community at OUUF. Meeting date: March 27, 11:00 - 12:20 at the Fellowship. Respond to ejbn@aol.com.



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: [Latest Care Team Update 3/5/2024](#)

- ❖ Joyce Estep
- ❖ Dani Casey

- ❖ Joyce Ryba
- ❖ John Toppenberg

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Weekly Newsletter



The OUUF newsletter will be sent out by Wednesday of each week. Entries for the following week are due **by 5pm Monday**. Email all entries to olympicuuf@outlook.com. **Please indicate “Newsletter” in the subject line or your submission may not make it into the newsletter for the week intended.** We reserve the right to edit your submission for clarity and brevity (including altering its content, length, and grammar). Your submission may appear as a link to a document. Newsletter Publication Policy (in work)

Words to Live By From George Will

*"It's not whether you get knocked down,
it's whether you get back up."*

~ Vince Lombardi

Event Calendar

Mar 24-30, 2024

To get details of the events below, visit the [OUUF Website](#) and select [Events](#) from the menu bar.

24	25	26	27	28	29	30
11:00 am - 12:00 pm Sunday Service	9:30 am - 10:30 am Dance Exercise Class	6:00 pm - 7:30 pm Clallam County Threshold Choir	7:00 am Landscape Mowing and Trimming		6:00 pm - 7:30 pm NA Meeting	
12:30 pm - 2:00 pm OUUF Board of Trustees Meeting			9:30 am - 10:30 am Dance Exercise Class			
4:00 pm - 7:00 pm OUUF Chess Club			10:45 am - 11:45 am Tai Ji Quan			
			11:00 am - 12:30 pm Membership Committee Meeting			
			1:30 pm - 8:30 pm Red Ribbon Dinner			

Member & Friends Bulletin Board

OUFF Trade Referrals

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

Re-homing/Marketplace

Submitted by Dianne Whitaker

Re-home items

Do you have items in your home that are taking up space and gathering dust, because you no longer use them? Re-home them to someone who can use them.

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

Other Announcements

New housing arrangement needed

A quiet, mature woman seeks housing starting June 1. Lisa Driscoll has a mellow companion dog, which you might have seen at UU service. Open to diverse living arrangements, such as mother-in-law suite, apartment, room, or small house. She has minimal possessions and respects people's need for personal space and quiet, but also enjoys conversation. Two Sequim landlords happy to vouch for Lisa and Ziggy. She is happy to discuss possibilities. Call Lisa Driscoll at 505-266-6404 or email lisadric@gmail.com.

Trader Joe's Aloe Vera Juice

Three unopened 1-gallon containers to give away. Call Katherine Wieseman 360-775-6373.



Funding Opportunity

Walter Clark, a Sequim area Realtor and Broker, will donate to OUFF 10% of his profits from the sale of property from a referral from OUFF Members or their friends.

Contact Walter Clark at 360 797 3653

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