

OLYMPIC UNITARIAN UNIVERSALIST FELLOWSHIP (OUUF)

WEEKLY NEWSLETTER | APRIL 28-MAY 4, 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

Apr 28, 2024 | 11:00am
Attend In-Person or on Zoom*
Guest Speaker: Joseph Bednarik



Sermon Title & Description: Trust Falls and Failure Bows

Trust and failure are weaved tightly into the fabric of our complex and complicated society. This Sunday we call forth and explore themes of trust and failure, falling and bowing, with a dash of grace for good measure.

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.

Service Leader: Vivian 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 Exploration, Lesson plan by Christine Parker

April 28th - Circle of Trees: From Peril to Progress, Workshop 5

This workshop briefly addresses the peril of global climate change with a focus on the progress that can be made when each of us takes action. We will preview the [two-minute video](#) of Green Belt movement founder and Nobel Peace Prize recipient Wangari Maathai telling a story about a hummingbird.



Kid's Night Out! - May 21st

You're invited to our Kid's Night Out: All Ages Glow Stick Party on May 21st from 5pm-7pm in Fellowship Hall. We will be serving dinner (sandwiches, salad, apple slices, and edamame), and providing glow sticks, dance music, and fun lighting to party on. Everyone is welcome! Please contact Christina at 812-340-1349 to RSVP or ask questions.

Christina is looking for 1 more volunteer to help out with our Kid's Night Out events. Please call her at 812-340-1349 if you are able to volunteer on any of these dates!

Announcements, Events, Committee News, and Things of Interest

Laughter Yoga

Bill Cohill and an associate will lead a live, 40-minute Laughter Yoga Session on Sunday, 4/28, at 10 am, at Sequim Center for Spiritual Living. The best way to learn more about Laughter Yoga is to experience it! Hopefully, some of you will be able to see some of it and still get to OUUF by 11am service.

For more information [contact Bill](#).

Field Trip to the Port Angeles Fine Arts Center

Let's enjoy one another's company while checking out some local talent at a lovely gallery on a hill. We will also be walking around Webster's Woods afterwards (adjacent to the gallery/art center), which is an easy meander in a sculpture-filled woods. Bring your sketch book and favorite drawing implements. Afterwards, we'll have some lunch at a restaurant of our choosing.

Julia Cameron, in her seminal "The Artist's Way" speaks of the soul's need to "stock the well" and feed the soul creative input. This will be our goal in mind on Friday, May 3rd. Meet at the sanctuary to carpool at 10:30am or meet us in Port Angeles at the art center at 11am. The center is located at 1203 E. Lauridson Blvd. They open at 11 am.

Questions can be directed to [Edie](#)

It's Time to Plant OUUF's Native Garden!

When: Sunday, May 5, after the service

Where: the empty garden patch facing Barr Road

What to bring: native plants or seeds, and a trowel (if you have one)

Extra plants and tools will be on hand. Come one, come all!
We'll reschedule if it rains.

Emily Beals



Highway 101 Cleanup Team

The Highway 101 Cleanup Team needs your participation!! George and Jolie Will would like to share leadership responsibilities for OUUF Highway Cleanup team, which currently cleans up once a quarter for two hours. Our area is 1/2 mile east and west of River Road. If we get one partner, this would only be twice a year; if more want to help, the commitment for coordinating would be even less. Please consider this meaningful work and contact us if you have questions or would like to join our effort to keep our highway beautiful.

George: 360-808-3800; Jolie: 360-808-5690.

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Green Sanctuary

For May, our Climate Forum will be the 2nd Sunday beginning 12:20 - 1:30. Our speaker is Dr. Nick Bond, a principal research scientist with the Climate Impacts Group (CIG) of the University of Washington. He will be speaking about the past, present and future climate of the Pacific NW with a focus on its impacts on the frequency and intensity of extreme weather events. The types include heat waves, cold snaps, droughts, river and coastal flooding and wind storms.



Dr. Bond is a principal research scientist with the Climate Impacts Group of the UW. He has been the climatologist for the state of Washington from 2010 - 2024.

This Forum will follow the service. We encourage all who live on the Oly Peninsula to attend. Tell your friends. This is information we all need to know to be resilient and adaptive in the reality of our changing climate.

Picnic and Barbecue June 30, Noon to 4pm

The Sunday Services Committee has agreed to try a new Summer event on the fifth Sunday of June, the 30th. Like some of our UUA Churches that do special summer events on Sunday, we will have our planned Picnic/BBQ social event on Sunday instead of Saturday. There will be food and games and music and a few words from church leaders but no service. Does it sound like fun? We plan to make it memorable. So, take May 25th off your calendar and add June 30th. Mark your calendars now for this event!

Thank you,
Sig Johnson and Rose Prestipino

Sunday Collection Coordinator

We need a second coordinator for Sunday collection duties. There are a number of willing people, and we just need an organizer-type person who is a member. Our first coordinator is in recovery mode but will likely return before long. Having two coordinators would be optimal and would make it easier for both!

Thank you, Rose Prestipino

Silent Auction 2024

LOOKING FOR A SHORT-TERM VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITY? Last year's silent auction was a lot of fun and raised over \$2000 – a great amount for our first effort. Another auction is planned for this year – bigger, more varied items, and even more fun! There is a lot to do to make that happen, and if you'd like to share your ideas and help create this event, contact Vicki Sensiba at (360) 683-8914 or [email her](#).

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Contemplative Services

The first Contemplative Service of this season will be held on the first Tuesday of May. The services are led by Diane Hill-Dwyer with Harmony Rutter leading the singing. The theme for May is 'Hope.' The services will be held on the first Tuesday of each month at 6:00 pm in the Fellowship Hall on the following dates:

- Tuesday, May 7th
- Tuesday, June 4th
- Tuesday, July 2nd
- Tuesday, August 6th
- Tuesday, Sept. 3rd



Outdoor Games - Bocce

The Monday afternoon pool group has changed back to outdoor games. We will meet at Carrie Blake Park at 1:00 pm on Mondays to play bocce ball and shuffleboard. The bocce ball and shuffleboard courts are near the exit road that leads out to N. Rhodefer Road. For more information, contact Cynthia at (360) 460-6596 or [email her](#).

Thank you,
Cynthia Green



Green Sanctuary - Films

This is happening February thru May 2024 & November 2024 thru May 2025, at The Fort Worden Commons, 210 Battery Way, Fort Worden, Port Townsend. 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.



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, Cynthia Green. Send an email to [Cynthia](#) or text 360-460-6596.

Please click the link below for the latest Care Team updates: [Latest Care Team Update 4/23/2024](#)

Words to Live by From George Will

The last thing we should ever lose is hope. This is true even in the face of impossibility. Without hope we cannot even move. We sit and wait for what we believe is inevitable. We may never know for sure whether we could have changed things. All we can know is that we didn't even try.

George Will

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From UUA

Beauty Following Us

By Christine Slocum

Crows found ways to adapt to our concrete forests, but we have not yet found ways to make sure we are in balance with the rest of creation.



Love is Love!

Drawing by Felicity (Harmony Rutter and Dan Parrish's daughter) and her friends.



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 the [Administrator](#). **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)

Event Calendar

Apr 28-May 4, 2024

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

28	29	30	1	2	3	4
11:00 am - 12:00 pm Sunday Service 12:30 pm - 2:00 pm OUUF Board of Trustees Meeting 4:00 pm - 7:00 pm OUUF Chess Club	9:30 am - 10:30 am Dance Exercise Class 10:45 am - 11:45 am Tai Ji Quan		9:30 am - 10:30 am Dance Exercise Class 10:45 am - 11:45 am Tai Ji Quan		11:30 am - 1:30 pm Art Session 6:00 pm - 7:30 pm NA Meeting	9:30 am - 2:00 pm North Olympic Shuttle and Spindle Guild 4:00 pm - 8:00 pm MCROA

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

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 [Dianne Whitaker](#) and Dianne will submit the items to the Weekly Newsletter each Monday.

Need Paint?

Get a \$100 certificate from Ace Hardware for paint for only \$50. They carry Valspar, Benjamin Moore, Clark +Kensington, Magnolia Home, and Amy Howard. Call Carol Hess Davis at 360-6873-5871.

Ducks

Christina Parker has four beautiful male runner ducks we are looking to rehome or trade for a female or two. The drakes are 10 months old, friendly, and healthy. They are a mix of green, white, and black. Please call Christina Parker at 812-340-1349.

Other Announcements

New class starting

Tai Ji Quan, Moving for Better Balance, will begin a new session on April 29. Classes meet Mondays and Wednesdays from 10:45am - 11:45am for 24 weeks. Classes are free for anyone over 60 Thanks to a grant from Olympic Area Agency on Aging. Preregistration is required. Please call to register or with questions - Peggy 760-518-4181 or Marsha 360-683-4712.

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](#) her.

Electrician recommendation needed

Recommendation for an electrician to replace a box for my chandelier. Please email [Dianne Whitaker](#) if you know someone who can do the job.

Dream Playground volunteers & tools needed

The Dream Playground needs volunteer for evening shifts during the week of the community build, May 15 through 19. The Dream Playground also needs tools for the Community Build in May.

Sign up here to volunteer or provide tools: <https://tinyurl.com/dreamplayground>.

Thank you,
Julia Buggy