

WELCOME VISITORS: We are so happy to have you as a part of our community today! If you are looking for next steps in getting involved with our congregation, we hope you will stop by the Welcome Table in the Social Hall. Please join us for refreshments and fellowship in the Social Hall following today's service!

MEMBERSHIP AT UUI: Being a member is an exciting journey - begin yours at UUI! Come, join a community of inquiring minds and open hearts. Folks interested in membership should talk to Holly Hendrickson at the Welcome Desk or email comms@uui.org.

CHILDREN & YOUTH INFORMATION: On Sundays, please stop by our Religious Exploration Table just outside our main doors. In-Person Religious Education for children and youth is offered every Sunday. Children and youth are also welcome to attend the Service with their family. Online Religious Exploration programming is available throughout the week. For more information about in-person and online programming, please go to www.uui.org/religious-education or contact our Director of Lifespan Religious Exploration, Sarah Cannon, at sarah@uui.org.

The 7 Principles of UU

We, the member congregations of the Unitarian Universalist Association (UUA), covenant to 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.

The 8th Principle of UU

Members of UUI voted to adopt the 8th principle as a congregation: *We, the members of UUI, covenant to affirm and promote:*

- Journeying toward spiritual wholeness by working to build a diverse multicultural Beloved Community by our actions that accountably dismantle racism and other oppressions in ourselves and our institutions.

UUI is a Certified Welcoming Congregation celebrating the presence and participation of LGBTQ persons and a Certified Green Sanctuary under guidelines of the Unitarian Universalist Association of Congregations. Our mission is to be a welcoming community for spiritual growth, moral reflection, social action, and religious education.

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Unitarian Universalist Church of Indianapolis

WARM HEARTS, OPEN MINDS, HELPING HANDS

April 28, 2024

GATHERING

Welcome

Prelude: "All Creatures of the Earth and Sky" from Geistliche Kirchengesang

Chalice Lighting & Opening Words

Opening Hymn: #360 "Here We Have Gathered"

AFFIRMING

Covenant

Love is the spirit of this church, and service is its law.

To dwell together in peace, to seek the truth in love, and to help one another, this is our covenant.

El amor es el espíritu de esta iglesia, Y el servicio es su ley, Vivir juntos en Paz, Buscar la verdad en el amor, Y ayudarnos unos a otros, Este es nuestro pacto.

Announcements

Joys and Sorrows

Meditation Hymn: #123 "Spirit of Life"

EXPLORING

Words for All Ages

Singing the Children Out: "Children's Blessing" by Jason Shelton

Sermon: "All Living Things Grow" by Rev. Dawn

Special Music: "Ashokan Farewell" by Jay Ungar

GOING FORTH

Offertory Introduction

Offertory: "Let All Things Now Living" arr. Cindy Berry

To donate, text the amount and one of these words to 317-483-7999:
share (Share the Plate), pledge (pledge payment)

Closing Words

Closing Hymn: #1029 "Love Knocks and Waits for us to Hear"

Extinguishing the Chalice

And now we extinguish the flame of our chalice, but not the light of understanding, the warmth of compassion, or the fire of commitment.
Let us keep those with us until we meet again. Go in peace.

Recessional

Serving this Sunday

Minister Rev. Dawn Cooley	Special Music Leslie Selden
Worship Associate Kathy Dewees	Tech Team Matt Bassett David Jackoway
Board Host Kristel Robinson	Leslie Cuma-Fontaine
Music Director Linda Parr	Ushers Mary Ellen Matthews Jay Harvey Tyler Gobble
Songleader Andrea Groner	Welcome Desk Nancy Campbell Jennifer Gatz
Piano Jill Stewart	
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If you are, or will be, in need of a home or hospital visit, please email caring@uui.org, or call the UUI office at 317-283-4760.

Sunday Food Donations

UUI collects donations of canned goods and other non-perishable food items every Sunday for the Boulevard Place Food Pantry here in our neighborhood. Please place your donated items in the cart in the Social Hall.

Daily Morning Meditation

Take a mid-morning break weekdays to re-center yourself. At 10am, Monday-Friday on Zoom, we offer a short meditation followed by a time for a group check-in. Please email comms@uui.org for the Zoom link.

The UUI Men's Group

For interesting and stimulating conversation, you may want to join the Men's Group that meets each Tuesday at 2pm. Meetings are in the Cottage Library. You may bring up any issue that is on your mind, whether about the UUI Church, religion in general, politics, or social and cultural issues affecting everyone.

Rev. Dawn & Sarah Cannon Dinner

Join Rev. Dawn and DRE Sarah Cannon for a monthly all-ages pitch-in dinner every second Wednesday of the month at 5:30pm. Ask questions, share feedback and fellowship, and just have fun. Please bring your own dinnerware and flatware to ensure an easy cleanup!

New Group! - Drum Church

Adults are invited to a weekly drum circle for an hour of "Rhythm Church". This is a rhythm-based community of percussion interaction. You may bring your own percussion instruments. These will be spontaneous sound sessions, playing as we feel with Sandra Gruber's guidance each week from 2-5pm in the Commons.

Shared Ministry Opportunities

RE Nursery Volunteers Needed

Do you love cuddling babies and playing with our littlest UUs? Volunteer in the nursery! Your service allows parents and guardians to spend Sunday morning putting on their own oxygen masks, and teaches our youngest children that UUI is a community where they are cherished and belong. Reach out to Sarah here on Slack or at sarah@uui.org to volunteer!

Peace Camp Special Guests

UUI's Peace and Social Justice day camp is from July 15-19th. Each day, we'd like to host a special guest who can share their talents, which will then roll into a hands-on craft, activity, or service project. Outside guests welcomed. There are morning & afternoon slots available. Reach out to Sarah, sarah@uui.org.

Mailbox Ministry

2 Slots Left! You might have noticed the children's mailboxes on the table outside the social hall kitchen. Each week, we leave a small item related to the Sunday service, a recent holiday, or a UU value for each child and youth. Individuals, groups, and committees are all invited to pick a date! Find out more about how to do Mailbox Ministry by reaching out to Sarah, sarah@uui.org.

Fundraising Team Leaders

The Fundraising Team is looking for new leaders to organize a couple of fundraisers each year. Contact Carla Koertge Cote if you're interested in participating! 317-691-2525 or ckoertge@comcast.net for more information.

Green Team

The next Green Team meeting will be Sunday, May 5 at 9:30am in the Cottage Library. All are welcome! Food available. Contact Heliene Houdek, at hmhoudek3@gmail.com. The Green Team meets 1st Sundays at 9:30am.

Newcomers Workshop

Interested in Membership at UUI or just want to learn more about the church? Please come to the next Newcomers Workshop in the Social Hall on Saturday, May 11th from 10am-noon with a light lunch to follow. Here is your opportunity to learn about UUism, the history of UUI, how things work at UUI, and what membership means. New members who missed the previous workshop, and anyone wanting to know more are welcome. Reach out to Holly, hollymhendrickson3@gmail.com or Ellen Burdge, burdgee@gmail.com to attend. Be sure to let them know if you need childcare.

Share the Plate

Half of the April Share the Plate offering will go to the Hoosier Environmental Council. HEC is a state-wide non-profit environmental advocacy organization that focuses on water, air, agriculture, land, transportation and clean energy issues for the state of Indiana. The Hoosier Environmental Council, founded in 1983, is Indiana's largest state-wide environmental organization. HEC aims to bring visibility to environmental challenges such as mercury pollution and power plant waste. Text to give: Text \$ amount and "Share" to (317) 483-7999, or, give online: uui.org.