



Williamsburg Unitarian Universalists

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Chasing Ice--Documentary Showing Tonight

Documentary, Chasing Ice--Thursday, August 22

Come see award winning documentary **Chasing Ice** at WUU on Thursday, August 22 at 7:30 PM. Through time lapse photography that compresses years into seconds, the videos capture ancient ice in motion as it disappears at a breathtaking rate. See the unmistakable reality that is climate change. 75 minutes. Brought by Chris Llewellyn and the Williamsburg Climate Action Network. Free and open to the public. <http://www.chasingice.com/>

This Sunday at WUU: August 25, 2013

10:00 am

Rev. Jennifer Ryu

"The New Jim Crow"

We mark the 50th anniversary of the March on Washington by celebrating the great progress we have made as a nation. The extreme expressions of racism from the 1960's are gone. What remains, however, is a racism that is nearly invisible because it has become embedded in our social systems--most prominently our criminal justice system. This year, our congregation joined with neighbors for the Common Read, Michelle Alexander's *The "New Jim Crow: Mass Incarceration in the Age of Colorblindness"*. We have only just begun to see what is right before our eyes.

* Religious Education (Eco-Connect) for children today starting at 10am. Please proceed directly to Fahs House.

This Weekend and the Coming Week [Click for entire WUU Calendar](#)

Thursday, August 22

- 7:00 pm, Documentary: Chasing Ice, Sanctuary

Saturday, August 24

- 10:00 am, Visioning Circle, Fahs House
 - (must be signed up to attend, contact office for more information)

Sunday, August 25

- 10:00 am, Worship, Sanctuary
- 10:00 am, Eco-Connect Kids, Fahs House

- 11:30 am, Rainbow Potluck, Fahs House
- 11:15 am, Visioning Circle, Parker House
 - (must be signed up to attend, contact office for more information)

Monday, August 26

- 10:00 am, Gayle Henion Creative Arts Group, Fahs House
- 7:00 pm, Buddhist Meditation, Sanctuary
- 7:00 pm, Music Committee Meeting, Parker House

Tuesday, August 27

- 7:00 pm, QiGong Practice, Narthex
- 7:30 pm, Board Meeting, Fahs House

Wednesday, August 28

- 3:00 pm, YRUU Picnic, Chickahominy River Front Park
- 7:00 pm, Doctrine of Discovery Study Group, Fahs House
- 7:30 pm, Choir Rehearsal, Sanctuary

Thursday, August 29

- 7:30 pm, Leadership Committee Meeting, Fahs House

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Next Sunday: September 1, 2013

10:00 am

Rev. Jennifer Ryu

"Living a Compassionate Life"

* Religious Education (Eco-Connect) for children today starting at 10am. Please proceed directly to Fahs House.

Social Justice News

FISH Needs

The volunteers at FISH report that they can always use canned vegetables of all kinds

Remembrance Ceremony

The Jamestown Middle Passage Committee In cooperation with the National Park Service and Preservation Virginia invite you to attend a Remembrance Ceremony and Marker Installation. Join us as we honor the 2,000,000 Africans who died in the Middle Passage and the 500,000 enslaved survivors and their descendants who helped build this nation. Friday, August 23, 2013, 6:00 pm, Historic Jamestown Visitor Center, 1368 Colonial Parkway, Jamestown, Virginia 23081 The RSVP deadline was August 16, if you would like more information please contact 757.725.1653 or memogroup@cox.net. WUU's own Rev. Jennifer Ryu will be doing the invocation.

Sat 8/24 - 50th Anniversary March on Washington

We will be riding with the York-James City Williamsburg NAACP on Saturday 8/24 to stand on the side of love against oppression as we mark the fiftieth anniversary of the 1963 March on Washington. Reserve your seat on the bus by sending a check for \$50 (\$40 for students) per passenger to YJCW-NAACP, 479 McLaws Circle, Suite 3, Williamsburg, VA 23185. Be sure to include the names, email addresses and cell numbers for everyone you are paying for. Call 757-229-1076 or our [web post](#) for information.

Rainbow Potluck, Sunday August 25, 11:30-Fahs House

WUU's first Rainbow Potluck was so well attended (over 30 participants) we are going to make this a monthly get together. Bring a dish to share and join a welcoming group of LGBTIQ, family members, friends, and other straight allies who gather together to share good food and supportive friendship. If you have any questions please contact Bobby Oliver at slimstar@hotmail.com.

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Lifespan Faith Development

Last Session of the Doctrine of Discovery Group Open for Registration

The last Doctrine of Discovery discussion session will be held Wednesday, August 28th @ 7 p.m., Fahs House. Should you be interested in attending please register [by clicking here](#). Or contact the office at office@wuu.org or 220-6830.

The Heart's Work

Children are our hearts....walking around in the world....and each day those of us who are parents want to make sure that the ones we love so much are obtaining the best knowledge, the best spiritual food, the best love and care possible.

This is the reason we parents choose to teach in an all-volunteer program here at Williamsburg Unitarian Universalists....to lend our children a hand at developing their spiritual lives....and it is for this reason that I am asking YOU to consider teaching....even if you have never taught before. We will have a September 14th training session for all those who are interested.

We need not only lead teachers but also helpers....so if you love children and want to become an "extra set of hands" in the Sunday morning Lifespan Faith Development program, please give Pat Hoppe a call or an email today. Substitute teachers are also needed, so if you want to help out every now and then, please call. Her number at the church office is 757-220-6830 and the email is dlfd@wuu.org. Sign up sheets will be available before and after this coming Sunday's service outside the main doors to the Sanctuary.

The three classes offered two times a month are:

- "Spirit Play" for pre-K through 2nd graders
- "Bibleodeon" for 3rd, 4th, and 5th graders
- "Popcorn Theology" for 6th, 7th, and 8th graders.

Please consider participating in our future by giving some time to our kids. Thank you, from my heart.

Pat Hoppe, Acting Director of LFD

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Green Sanctuary News

Plastics

ONLY BRING TO WUU #5 OR BOTTLE-SHAPED #1 AND #2 PLASTICS

Regretfully, James City County no longer is accepting plastics for recycling except the #1 and 2 that have a bottle necked shape. However, you can continue to deliver #5s to the bins behind Fahs house because we take turns driving them to Whole Foods in Richmond that contracted with a company that will transform #5s into toothbrushes, et al. We have been made aware that Whole Foods recycles the other "numbers" of plastics and corks as well; we are trying to work on a plan to get items to Whole Foods. If you do not have curbside pickup, you also can bring your bottle shaped #1s and 2s for us to deliver to James City County convenience centers. Thanks for your cooperation, and we will notify you if the situation improves.

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Caring Committee News

Please keep Virginia Kory in your thoughts and prayers, as she lost her son Paul last week to complications from Crohn's Disease. While Virginia is unable to receive visitors at this time, prayers and calls are welcome.

The Caring Committee is in limited effect at present due to a shortage of volunteers. If you are interested in finding out more about the minor duties and rewarding experience of being on Caring Committee, or would simply like to find out more about us, please email Michelle at caringchair@wuu.org or visit our information webpage at [by clicking here](#).

Please contact the Caring Committee at caringchair@wuu.org if you know of a member of the Congregation in need of support, or if you are in need of support.

Other News

Multicultural Ministries Sharing Project

This UUA project is designed to seek input from people within Unitarian Universalism who have historically marginalized races, ethnicities, abilities, sexual orientations, and/or gender identities/expressions, with the goal of helping congregational leaders and UUA staff understand where we are now and what we need to be well-equipped to meet the ministry needs of people seeking a liberal religious home in the 21st century.

Please consider taking the survey and spreading the word. All those 13 and older with a UU affiliation who are people of color, people with disabilities, LGBTQ, or otherwise marginalized due to gender identity, sexual orientation, ability, race, and/or ethnicity are warmly invited to participate.

The Sharing Project Survey is open now and ends October 31, 2013. Click here to take the survey [here](#).

Sunday Team Members Needed

The Sunday Teams has open opportunities for volunteers to help with both 9:15 and 11:15 services beginning in September. Jobs include welcoming people at the door, distributing bulletins, receiving collection, and making our "famous" WUU coffee. It's a great way to meet other WUU'ers and to help make our services more welcoming. Each team does only one service a month and the initial commitment is for a total of just five services from September through January. If you would like to join or have questions, please contact David Neiman at 258-8996 or dneiman236@cox.net.

School Supply Drive

Our School Supply Drive is off to a great start! The WJCC Community Action Agency has 70 middle and high school students that not afford their school supplies. Let us help ease some worry by helping to provide some of those needed supplies. There are collection boxes in the office and the Narthex. We will be collecting through September 15. Here is a list of the items needed:

Inexpensive Flash Drive (4+GB)	Inexpensive Ear Buds
3" x 5" Index Cards	Wide-ruled Filler Paper
Blue/Black Pens	Pencils (mechanical or regular)
Highlighters	Colored Pencils
Dividers	Glue Sticks
Sheet Protectors	Pencil Pouch

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- August 29: Leadership Team Meeting, 7:30 pm, Fahs House
- August 31: Memorial Service for Gayle Henion, 4:00 pm, Sanctuary
- September 2: Labor Day--Office Closed
- September 5: Navigators Monthly Meeting, 6:30pm, Fahs House
- September 8: Cafe Conversation: Spirit-Filled Worship, 1:00pm, Sanctuary
- September 28: Augumn Equinox Ritual, 7:00 pm, Sanctuary
- September 28: Memorial Service for Craig Luchsinger, 4:00 pm, Sanctuary

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