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This Sunday at WUU: March 23, 2014

9:15 am

The Circle: Contemplative Worship "Love Reaches Out"

Rev. Jennifer Ryu

11:15 am

"Love Reaches Out"

Rev. Jennifer Ryu

All-Ages Worship Service

When we find something we love, it's impossible to keep it inside. When we have found something precious and enlivening, we want to share it. Because Love is at the heart of our community, it reaches out beyond these walls. Music and Stories will be woven together in this worship for families and people of all ages.

11:00 am OWL for registered class participants at Parker House

12:30 pm Congregational Meeting with Guernsey Tingle Architects, Sanctuary

4:00 pm Young Religious Unitarian Universalists (YRUU) Meet at Parker House

This Weekend and the Coming Week Click for entire WUU Calendar

Thursday, March 20

- 4:00 pm, Building Our Future, Parker House
- 6:30 pm, New UU Covenant Group, Parker House
- 7:30 pm, Leadership Team Meeting, Fahs House

Friday, March 21

• 6:00 pm, 3rd Potluck, Sanctuary

Sunday, March 23

- 9:15 am, Worship, Sanctuary
- 11:15 am, Worship, Sanctuary
- 12:30 pm, Congregational Meeting with Architects, Sanctuary
- 4:00 pm, YRUU, Parker House
- 7:00 pm, Insight Meditation, Sanctuary

Monday, March 24

- 10:00 am, The Gayle Henion Creative Arts Group, Fahs House
- 1:30 pm, Membership Team Orientation, Activities Room
- 4:30 pm, BOF Steering Committee, Parker House
- 7:00 pm, Buddhist Meditation, Sanctuary

Tuesday, March 25

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

Wednesday, March 26

7:30 pm, Choir Rehearsal, Sanctuary

Thursday, March 27

- 1:00 pm, Spiritual Journey Covenant Group, Fahs House
- 7:30 pm, Membership Team Meeting, Activities Room

Next Sunday: March 30, 2013

9:15 am The Circle: Contemplative Worship "When Shame Gets in the Way"

When Shame Gets in the way

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"When Shame Gets in the Way"

Rev. Jennifer Ryu

Sometimes the hardest person to love is the one staring back at us in the mirror. Can we face our imperfection, vulnerability and shame and learn to love the "stranger who has loved you all your life?" (from "Love After Love" by Derek Wolcott)

Middles-- <u>11:00</u>am OWL for registered participants (Parker House)

11:15 am, Children's Program:

- K-2nd grade-- Lesson Title: "Journey to the Underworld" (Spirit Play)
- 3-5th grade-- Lesson Title: "Jesus the Teacher" (Bibleodeon)

4:00 pm, YRUU-will meet in Parker House to watch the movie "Contact" and plan a worship service/cafe conversation around the ideas of science and faith.

Tidewater Cluster Meeting

REGISTER NOW FOR MARCH 29 CLUSTER

Registration is just \$20-so if you want to hear Jim Key, talk with members of the other six

congregations in our cluster, share ideas, and be inspired, REGISTER NOW at this address (or call the UU Fellowship of the Peninsula to register 757-369-1098)

http://www.uufp.org/Tidewater Cluster/third annual tidewater cluster.htm

Building Our Future

YOU ARE INVITED TO A MEETING WITH THE GUERNSEY TINGLE ARCHITECTS, SUNDAY, MARCH 23, AT 12:30 PM

You've met the architects...and on Sunday, you'll hear a Progress Report!

The architects' goals for this meeting:

- To update the congregation on what's been done so far and where we are in the process
- To share what they heard in the focus groups
- To share building program analysis highlights
- To To listen and gather input on what is presented
- To talk about the next steps

Childcare will be provided in Fahs. Snacks will be provided for children and adults.

This weeks Building Our Future newsletter can be viewed Here

Celebrating The Earth Through Art

Thirty-five WUU's will display their original visual, written and musical art in the sanctuary from April 1 through May 4. **A reception on Saturday, April 5 at 7 pm** is an opportunity to view the art and meet the participants. Hear some of our amazing writers and musicians share their work.

Note to registered artists, writers, musicians - all work is due in the WUU Library by Sunday, March 30. Be sure your name is attached to the back of all visual art pieces. Written works must be placed in the folder on the library table. If other arrangements must be made, contact Donna Stanford.

New chair arrangement - to protect the visual art in the sanctuary and to provide space for viewing for the month of April, a new chair arrangement will be in place. Groups using the sanctuary are asked to protect the art work when re-arranging the space. Thank you!

Stewardship News

It's Not Too Late

We are still collecting pledges for the 2014-15 year. If you have not made a pledge yet, please do so by calling the WUU Office or going on the WUU home page.

Our ability to carry out our mission depends on everyone's support. We want to complete our canvass in the next two weeks so that the WUU Board can finalize its budget next month.

Many thanks to those who have stepped up to date.

Peter Mellette, for the Stewardship Committee

Social Justice News

FISH Needs

March is canned veggie month for FISH: On all March Sundays, let's bring in several types of canned vegetables.

Rainbow Potluck

Our next rainbow potluck is coming soon, Sunday March 30 at 12:30pm in Fahs House. 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 get in touch with Bobby Oliver at slimstar at hotmail.com.

Caring Committee News

There is a lot happening for the Caring Committee; please welcome the new co-chairs, Ellen Graham and Liz Snyder. We also welcome Beverly Baldwin, who will be in charge of sending cards.

Please contact them 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.

A memorial service for Virginia Kory has been scheduled for April 12th at 4pm in the Sanctuary and all are invited to attend.

Other News

POETRY, ANYONE???????

Bob Turvene and Bev Baldwin have scheduled three afternoons to get together with others to read and share poems that have spiritually inspired us. Everyone attending will be asked to contribute a poem or poems. This program was inspired by the poetry reading class held by Preston Moore and Jennifer Ryu In February. Those attending the two classes expressed an interest in continuing to read poetry together. If you are Interested or have any questions please email me at rbaldwin@widomaker.com. Our first gathering will be Tuesday, April 22nd 2:00 to 3:30 pm at Fahs house. Our other two sessions are scheduled for May 20 and June 24th. Please contact me by April 15th if you plan to attend. Happy reading everyone!!!!!, Bev Baldwin

Attention Gardeners!

The WUU raised bed garden will be starting up as soon as the weather warms-perhaps even by St. Patrick's Day. Susan Walkley will again act as unofficial coordinator to assign beds and set up a watering schedule. I will be on call to offer encouragement but for advice think about attending the Master Gardener's Grow It and Eat It class on vegetable gardening. This basic class will be held in the JCC Community Center on March 29, 2014, from 9:00 until 11:30. It is open to the public and preregistration is not required. Wayne Moyer

Upcoming Events

- March 21: 3rd Potluck, 6pm, Sanctuary
- March 29: 3rd Annual Tidewater Cluster Gathering
- March 30: Rainbow Potluck, 12:30pm, Fahs House
- April 5: WUU Art Reception, 6:45pm, Sanctuary
- April 11: Social Justice Dinner and Climate Change Program, 6:30pm, Sanctuary
- April 12: Memorial Service for Virginia Kory, 4pm, Sanctuary

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