

Williamsburg Unitarian Universalists A Welcoming, Worshiping, Witnessing Community

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This Sunday at WUU: January 25, 2015

9:15am & 11:15am "What 21st Century Racism Reveals" Rev. Jennifer Ryu

Religious Education:

Lower Elementary: Peaceful Choices Upper Elementary: Our Heritage's Calling Middle School: Privilege YRUU: Fairness (redux)

Weekly Calendar

Thursday, January 22

10:00 am, Meditation, Sanctuary 7:00 pm, Alternative Funding Task Force, Fahs House 7:00 pm, Laughter Yoga, Sanctuary

Friday, January 23 6:00 pm, Fourth Friday Potluck, New Member Appreciation, Sanctuary

Sunday, January 25

9:15 am, Worship, Sanctuary11:15 am, Worship, Sanctuary12:30 am, New Member Orientation Session B, Activities Room

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12:30 pm, Rainbow Potluck, Fahs House
4:00 pm, YRUU, Parker House

Monday, January 26

10:00 am, Gayle Henion Creative Arts Group, Fahs House 7:00 pm, Buddhist Meditation, Sanctuary

Tuesday, January 27 2:00 pm, Covenant Group, Fahs House 7:00 pm, Board Meeting, Fahs House

Wednesday, January 28 7:30 pm, Choir Rehearsal, Sanctuary

Thursday, January 29

10:00 am, Meditation, Sanctuary 6:30 pm, WUUYA Meditation, Fahs House

View the entire WUU Calendar Here

Next Sunday: February 1, 2015

9:15am & 11:15am "A Pastor's Life" Rev. Jennifer Ryu

Share the Plate for February

Community of Faith Mission will be the recipient of the **Share the Plate** donations on February 1. COFM is a non-profit organization that initiated and now coordinates the Williamsburg, James City County, York County Winter Shelter, providing safe overnight stays for local homeless individuals and families.

Homeless Shelter News

Community of Faith Mission Winter Shelter

WUU will be hosting the COFM homeless shelter February 15-22. We are hoping all of you will take the opportunity to participate. You may have already given financially at the Christmas Eve service.

You may volunteer for a shift on Sunday after services or on line. Below is the link for volunteer sign-ups. There are 3 shifts:

- Evening this includes welcoming and registering guests, serving dinner, entertainment, giving a blessing.
- Overnight stay 2 different shifts to monitor and insure safety of our guests.
- Morning includes serving breakfast, signing out guests and returning their belongings.

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Children under 14 will be working with Austen and RE volunteers to contribute art projects and baked goods. Youth 14 and over are welcome to discuss serving and clean-up with Stacey Felipe or Austen.

Contact Helen Hansen helenfoxhansen@gmail.com, Ruth Hopkinson ruthhop46@gmail.com, or Kathy Suslik ksuslik@cox.net with questions.

www.SignUpGenius.com/go/10C094FA4AD28A0FE3-cofm

Thank you for your support of this important social justice work.

Cooking for the Homeless Shelter

How about contributing to our effort by providing food during the week of February 15-22? We need various dishes for dinners and breakfasts—menus have been prepared. SIGN-UP sheets are available in the Narthex each Sunday, including number of servings and recipes where appropriate. If you have questions, contact Jessica O'Brien, 810-7859 or newjb2001@hotmail.com

Simple Ways to Help!

Please donate your used magazines for our guests of the Shelter. Remember, please, appropriate magazines only! (NO gardening, fancy homes, money, or X rated magazines.) Any reading level, any language, and children's magazines welcome. Please put them in the labeled box in the WUU library. This is a GREAT way, for children and those not able to volunteer, to help with the shelter!

Social Justice

The UUA wants our input!

At the annual General Assembly meeting, we select a topic of concern for careful study, a Congregational Study/Action Issue (CSAI). The UUA would like our comments on two of these: "Reproductive Justice: Expanding Our Social Justice Calling" (2012) and "Escalating Inequality" (2014). Please review the material on the web (http://www.uua.org/statements /current/) and email sjchair@wuu.org your comments and whether you feel WUU should vote to place the Reproductive Justice CSAI on the agenda for the 2015 GA in Portland.

Food For FISH (Our local community food & clothing pantry)



For January let's fill up our wagon with soup and crackers. Please check the dates on the soup and only donate unopened boxes of crackers. a genda online here.

Religious Education

Each Sunday all children begin in the worship service. Following the wisdom story, children may go with their teachers to class or choose to remain in the sanctuary.

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Caring Committee

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

Parents as Spiritual Teachers

Parents as Spiritual Teachers Group Now Accepting Registration Together we'll read The Conscious Parent by Dr. Shefali Tsabary. http://www.barnesandnoble.com/w/conscious-parent-shefali-tsabary /1102218338?ean=9781897238455

Using this book as the anchor, we'll discuss issues and ideas we've had parenting as Unitarian Universalists. Join us!

Facilitated by Stacey Felipe and Vanessa Jones Meetings on Feb 8, Mar 8, Apr 12, May 17 at 12:30-2pm in Fahs House Lunch provided, please RSVP. Childcare provided upon request, one week notice required. Email Stacey Felipe at stacey.felipe@gmail.com if planning to attend.

Other News

New Member Appreciation Potluck

This month our Fourth Friday Family Potluck is dedicated to welcoming new members and friends to WUU! We will meet on **Friday, January 23 at 6:00pm** in the sanctuary. Bring a dish to share and we will get to know one another and have some fun-This is for all members and families are encouraged to attend!

The Wi\$dom Path-Upcoming Workshop on Sunday, February 8th, 12:30 pm, Fahs House

What role does money play in our lives? What is your money story? Come join us for a post service program that will focus on how we can develop spiritually healthy approaches to money. Child care will be provided based on sign ups by those needing it. You can sign up on Sunday or by using Survey Monkey: https://www.surveymonkey.com /s/WisdomPathworkshop020815.

WUU's Young Adult Group (WUUYA)

We will be meeting for meditation at 6:30 pm on Thursday, January 29 in Fahs House.

Then at 6:30pm on February 3 in the Sanctuary we will have a Drum Circle in honor of the Full Moon. If you are in your 20s through early 40s join us!

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- January 25: New Member Orientation Session B, Activities Room
- January 25: Rainbow Potluck, Fahs House
- February 8: Wi\$dom Path: Money, Spirit, and Life, Fahs House
- February 8: Parents as Spiritual Teachers, Sanctuary
- February 15: Congregational Meeting, Sanctuary
- February 15-22: COFM Homeless Shelter at WUU

