



Williamsburg Unitarian Universalists

A Welcoming, Worshiping, Witnessing Community

The Spiral January 8, 2015

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This Sunday at WUU: January 11, 2015

9:15am & 11:15am

"What Poetry Reveals"

Rev. Jennifer Ryu

9:15am & 11:15am Religious Education

Children's Chapel for all Children

2:00pm Memorial Service for Rebecca House

4:00pm

YRUU, Fairness, Parker House

Weekly Calendar

Thursday, January 8

10:00 am, Meditation, Sanctuary

11:00 am, The Odyssey, Fahs House

7:00 pm, Laughter Yoga, Sanctuary

7:00 pm, Covenant Group, Fahs House

Sunday, January 11

9:15 am, Worship, Sanctuary

10:15 am, Meet the Minister, Library

11:15 am, Worship, Sanctuary

12:15 pm, Meet the Minister, Library

2:00 pm, Memorial Service for Rebecca House, Sanctuary

4:00 pm, YRUU, Parker House

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Monday, January 12

10:00 am, Gayle Henion Creative Arts Group, Fahs House
5:30 pm, CREW Meeting, Fahs House
7:00 pm, Buddhist Meditation, Sanctuary

Tuesday, January 13

2:00 pm, Covenant Group, Fahs House
7:00 pm, Worship Team Meeting, Fahs House

Wednesday, January 14

6:00 pm, Finance Committee, Fahs House
7:30 pm, Choir Rehearsal

Thursday, January 15

10:00 am, Meditation, Sanctuary
7:30 pm, Leadership Team Meeting, Fahs House

[View the entire WUU Calendar Here](#)

Next Sunday: January 18, 2015

9:15am & 11:15 am
"Black Lives Matter: How to be a Good White Ally"
Rev. Jennifer Ryu

Homeless Shelter News

Community of Faith Mission Winter Shelter

WUU will be hosting the Community of Faith Mission Winter Shelter February 15-22. On line and in person volunteer sign ups will begin this Sunday, January 11. Please consider volunteering for this important event. The on-line link will be posted this Sunday and in future Spirals. There are 4 different time shifts each day and opportunities to prepare and deliver meals to WUU.

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

Social Justice

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



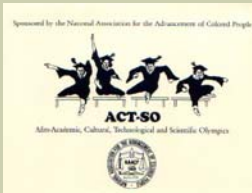
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Green Sanctuary

The Green Sanctuary Program – guided by the Unitarian Universalist Association – provides a structure for congregational study, reflection, and action in response to environmental challenges. WUU gained accreditation as a Green Sanctuary in 2012 in recognition of our service and dedication to the Earth. Currently, the Green Sanctuary Program at the denominational level is focusing on issues of climate change and environmental justice. This is an opportune time for WUU to rejuvenate and refocus our Green Sanctuary program, and to raise congregational awareness of current environmental issues.

Under the Social Justice umbrella, there is potential for greater understanding of what forces – large and small – are shaping our environment and effectively advocating on behalf of humanity.

We are now forming an exploratory group to assess where we are and what might be worthwhile initiatives in this arena. If you feel strongly about doing what we can to save our “pale blue dot,” please join us in Fahs House at 5pm on Thursday 1/15.



Last Call--Martin Luther King Jr NAACP ACT-SO Breakfast

The 26th Annual Martin Luther King, Jr. NAACP ACT-SO Breakfast honoring local high-achieving high school minority students will be held on Monday, January 19, 2015 at the CW Lodge and Conference Center. In support of this program, WUU has again reserved a table this year (10 places). Please contact Jessica O'Brien at 810-7859 or newjb2001@hotmail.com to purchase your seat. Tickets are \$40 per adult.

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.

This week children will be participating in Children's Chapel in Fahs House.

Caring Committee

Jane Ferguson's husband, Mark, suffered serious complications from a recent surgery and is in critical but stable condition at Riverside Hospital (Newport News). Please keep Jane and their sons in your prayers, and send healing thoughts for Mark's recovery.

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.

Building Our Future

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CAPITAL CAMPAIGN DEADLINE...JANUARY 17!

Thank you to all who have so generously given to the Capital Campaign. With your gifts, we are within \$100,000 of reaching our goal to build our optimal design for additional space at WUU.

If you have not contributed and are financially able, please make your gift this week. New pledge forms are available in the narthex, or from a campaign team member, or from the office. If you have completed your gift form but now realize that you are able to increase that gift to help close the gap, we welcome your additional support. The capital campaign ends on January 17!

READ THE BOF NEWSLETTER FOR MORE INFORMATION! [Click here.](#)

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!

New Member Orientation

In order to become a member of WUU, potential members are required to attend to orientation classes. Those transferring from other UU congregations are invited to participate to learn about us and make new friends.

The first class will be in Fahs House on **Sunday, January 18** from 12:30-3pm and the second session will be held in the WUU activities room on **Sunday, January 25** from 12:30-3pm. Childcare can be provided if we are given at least one weeks notice. You may register at the visitor table or by clicking [here](#)

Upcoming Events

- **January 18:** New Member Orientation Session A, Fahs House
- **January 23:** Family Potluck, New Member Appreciation, Sanctuary
- **January 25:** New Member Orientation Session B, Activities Room
- **January 25:** Rainbow Potluck, Fahs House
- **February 8:** Congregational Meeting, Sanctuary
- **February 15-22:** COFM Homeless Shelter at WUU

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