Turning faith into action through reason, respect and compassion.

March 2019

Our Principles
There are seven principles that UU
congregations 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 democratic process within our congregations and in society at large;
- The goal of world community with peace, liberty and justice for all; and
- Respect for the interdependent web of all existence of which we are a part.

A Note from the Board

Welcome Spring!

Although it's still cold and icy now the Vernal Equinox is fast approaching. I love seeing signs of Springs arrival and look forward to hearing the peepers come out. Even our March Worship Services pay homage to the upcoming season: Flowering Webs of Interdependence, Birds, Breath, and Blue Sky, Vernal Equinox, Faith in Living and Dying. After a Winter of semi-hibernation it feels good to gather in community with our All Souls community. Please join us as we celebrate this month of change together.

Martha

Interfaith Council Meeting

Thursday, March 14th 530pm Potluck with Meeting to follow

"Who is Our Neighbor and what is their spiritual practice?" is March's topic
All are invited and welcome.
Lend your voice, experience and faith to the meeting!

All Souls is hosting so volunteers are needed.

Please contact Kate Mason

worship@uugreenfield.org

o volunteer and for more details



Saints James and Andrew Episcopal Church,
Time:

12 Noon to 2 p.m.

Potluck Guidelines:

<u>Label your dish including a list of ingredients</u> and their provenance.

Bring your own plate, cup, utensils and napkin. Water and herbal tea will be provided. The kitchen is available to heat dishes.

<u>Please no bottled water.</u>

What is a 100 Mile Potluck Lunch? A 100 Mile

Potluck Lunch is a potluck meal serving food that is raised or grown within approximately 100 miles of Greenfield. This lunch is being sponsored by Saints James and Andrew's Green Team.

We are asking other congregations in Greenfield to join us for this celebration of local food. If you have any questions, please call or text Ella Ingraham, a member of the Saints James and Andrew Green Team, at 860-684-4420 or email her at ejma-i127@gmail.com.



SAVE THE DATE Don't forget our 17th Annual AntiRacism Film Festival Sunday, May 5th from 1:30 pm-9:30pm

ELECTING FILMS FOR THE FESTIVAL
Save Friday evening March 22nd for a potluck
viewing party at the home of Dick and Jeanne Hall
109 Hastings Street in Greenfield. We will start at
6pm and enjoy our meal as we preview our possible
films for the Film Festival which is Sunday, May
5th 1:30-10:30pm. RSVP 774-3730.

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Feel free to contact these departments and a member of the committee will respond to any questions or concerns.

Worship Schedule MARCH/APRIL

Sunday, March 10 Each of Us a Star

Speaker and Musician: Rev Ben Tousley

Sunday, March 17 Hard Times: Birds, Breath, and

Blue Sky

Speaker: Jan Maher

Musicians: Nina Gross, Anne Hassett, Keith

Rollinson & the All Souls Choir

Religious Education

Sunday, March 24 Faith in Living and Dying

Speaker: Betsy Simmons Musician: Keith Rollinson

Sunday, April 7 What it Means to be a Human Being

Speaker: Jay Goldspinner

Religious Education

Sunday, April 14 Compassion for all Beings

Speaker: Marian Kelner Musician: Keith Rollinson

Sunday, April 21

Speaker: Kate Stevens

Religious Education

Sunday, April 28 Kindness Revolution

Speaker: Rob Peck



Excerpted from <u>Hungry Hearts</u> Podcast Rev. Darcey Laine-Parish Minister at UU Church of Athens and Sheshequin, New York

Rumi writes about this very dilemma: (desires) how do we differentiate our desire for union with something larger than ourselves from our cravings and bad habits?

There are thousands of wines that can take over our minds. Don't think all ecstasies are the same!
Jesus was lost in his love for God. His donkey was drunk with barley...
Any wine will get you high. Judge like a king, and choose the purest, the ones unadulterated with fear, or some urgency about "what's needed"

"what's needed."

Drink the wine that moves you as a camel moves when it's been untied,

and is just ambling about.

Next Meeting

Social Justice Committee

Sunday, March 10th after services during Coffee Hour.

All are Welcome.



You're Invited! To a community health fair

Screenings for:

- Dental Health
- Diabetes
- Blood Pressure
- Respiratory Health



Sign-up services:

- Health Care
- Dental Care

Saturdays at the Stone Soup Cafe February & March 23rd, 2019 11:30 - 1:30

The Daily Compass offers words and images to inspire spiritual reflection and encourage the creation of a more loving, inclusive and just world.

Posted: Feb 28th: Tracts

Jehovah's Witnesses have a practice of going door to door sharing religious tracts designed to convince you to adopt their religious beliefs. Which can be annoying when you don't share those beliefs. But maybe the world would be a better place if we went door to door promoting certain essential truths.

If you were going to hand out a tract door to door, what truth would it be about?

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