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# OBERLIN UNITARIAN UNIVERSALIST FELLOWSHIP

## This Week @ OUUF February 5 - February 12

Join us for an upcoming event!

Browse this weeks event calendar to keep up to date on our various events. We offer something for everyone. Unless otherwise specified, events are on Zoom and times are P.M.

| Sunday<br>2/5  | Monday<br>2/6                        | Tuesday<br>2/7  | Wednesday<br>2/8  |
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| <b>11:00am</b><br>Sunday Service<br><b>11:00am</b><br>Children's Church<br>(at OUUF)                         | <b>7:00-9:00</b><br>OUUF Men's Group | <b>1:00-3:00</b><br>Sources Covenant<br>Group, In-Person<br><b>7:00-8:30</b><br>Sources Covenant<br>Group, via Zoom | <b>10:00am-11:00am</b><br>Pastoral Check-In<br><b>3:00-5:00</b><br>Living With Change<br>Covenant Group |
| Thursday<br>2/9  | Friday<br>2/10                       | Saturday<br>2/11  | Sunday<br>2/12  |
| <b>10:30-11:30am</b><br>Morning Meditation<br>via Zoom<br><b>7:00-8:00</b><br>Evening Meditation<br>via Zoom | <b>2:30-3:30</b><br>Membership Team  |   | <b>11:00am</b><br>Sunday Service<br><b>11:00am</b><br>Children's Church<br>(at OUUF)                    |

## This Week's Services

**January 29**

*The Year to Save the Earth*  
Service led by visitor Jim Scott & Jeff Witmer

Join us for a special service, a multimedia, musical message from UU composer Jim Scott. This is the first performance, pre-premier, of Jim's "The Year to Save the Earth." Powerful and poignant songs of Earth and Ecology are illustrated with beautiful and striking images on our big screen. There's many opportunities to sing along. Come celebrate our Mother Earth, the challenges, and the hope for the future.

Composer, Poet, Performer and Activist Jim Scott has performed in more than 700 UU Churches over four decades. His much loved "Gather the Spirit" and others are included in the UU hymnbooks. Jim's lyrical poetry and music are calls to action, full of hope and gentle wit. Jim was one of the creators of the "Green Sanctuary" program, and compiled the "Earth and Spirit Songbook" 110 songs of ecology and peace.

Visiting faculty for six Winter Terms at Oberlin College, Jim has been an Artist in Residence in many schools and universities. Longtime member of the Paul Winter Consort, Jim co-wrote their celebrated "Missa Gaia/Earth Mass." He has gone on to create award winning choral works, PBS soundtracks, and nine CDs of original music.

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## Next Week's Service

**February 5**

*Compassion Begins at Home*  
Service led by Rev. Mary Grigolia

All religions teach the Golden Rule, "Do unto others as you would have others do unto you." Yet we are harder on ourselves than on anyone else. A kind world begins with self-compassion, self-love that radiates out, in all directions.

Donations benefit Haven Center, providing shelter in Lorain County.

## Religious Exploration

Children's Church will be meeting in the sanctuary at the Oberlin Unitarian Universalist Fellowship, before moving to the RE Room after the offeratory.

## Joys and Concerns - January 29

**Candle for Racial Justice** was lit in support of our Beloved Community and the proposed UUA 8th Principle: "We covenant to affirm and promote journeying toward spiritual wholeness by working to build a diverse multicultural Beloved Community by our actions that accountably dismantle racism and other oppressions in ourselves and our institutions."

**Candle for Peace in Ukraine** to extend warmth and light to the people of Ukraine in a winter made colder and darker than Nature would impose. We offer compassion especially to those who have lost loved ones, those separated from loved ones in foreign lands, and those who suffer additionally under Russian occupation. May the New Year bring an end to warfare.

### Joys, Concerns, and Appreciations

**Johnny:** Lit the candle for peace in Ukraine, again explaining that though he is antiwar, he feels we must support Ukraine by sending weapons.

**Bobbie:** Celebrating that a physical checkup and tests revealed all is well, no problems with anything! Left doctor's office feeling 6 ft taller!

**Dave:** Concern for Lisette who slipped on the ice on the stairs Friday morning and was taken to Mercy Health Lorain for treatment of four broken ribs. He admitted **the Burwassers** had had a bad month with gravity. But joy for the support and help offered by our congregation to him and Lisette.

**Terri:** Concern for her daughter who is in the hospital with numbness and no test results yet. Please send energy and prayers her way.

**Helen:** Sorrow that John's nephew passed away unexpectedly. But joy for a wonderful day celebrating her birthday.

**Jo:** Recommended an inspiring, spiritual documentary she saw last night on Netflix, Hallelujah: Leonard Cohen, a Journey, a Song (2021).

## OUU-tside the Fellowship

### Souper Bowl of Caring February 12

Tackle Hunger: Home of the Souper Bowl of Caring is uniting all communities to Tackle Hunger using their programs such as the Tackle Hunger Map, the Tackle Hunger Challenge, and the annual Souper Bowl of Caring event.[1] Tackle Hunger uses a digital platform to support food charities and encourage communities to raise funds and food donations for local food charities across the nation.

Started in 1990 at Spring Valley Presbyterian Church in Columbia, South Carolina, Tackle Hunger has branched out to include schools, businesses and congregations of all faiths. Together, they have raised more than \$170 million in monetary and food donations. In 2020, thousands of groups collected over \$10.6 million of food and contributions.

Members of the fellowship can leave a check or put money in the offering on February 12th, designated "Souperbowl" and donations will be dropped off to Marty Buck, with Oberlin Area Cooperative Ministries to forward to the parent organization.

**Cheers: An Evening of Wine Tasting  
POSTPONED AS WE SEARCH FOR A NEW VENUE**

Join OUUF member and Winemaker John Levenberg for a night of fine wine and company in support of the Oberlin UU Fellowship! Tickets are \$45 in advance, \$50 at the door. The event will include a wine pull and an art sale.

Register here: [https://oberlin.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV\\_9za8a69goIWD61E](https://oberlin.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_9za8a69goIWD61E)

Have any questions? Message the OUUF Facebook Page or email [office@ouuf.org](mailto:office@ouuf.org).

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All Are Welcome!

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**Our Mission**

The Oberlin Unitarian Universalist Fellowship is a welcoming, caring community that promotes religious freedom, encourages spiritual and personal growth, and works for a peaceful, just, and sustainable world.

**Our Covenant**

We the members and friends of the Oberlin Unitarian Universalist Fellowship covenant to live together in our quest for truth, love, social justice, and environmental responsibility. In this spirit of caring fellowship, we offer our combined gifts and resources.

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