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OBERLIN UNITARIAN UNIVERSALIST FELLOWSHIP

This Week @ OUUF April 23 - April 30

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 4/23	Monday 4/24	Tuesday 4/25	Wednesday 4/26
<p>11:00am Sunday Service (hybrid)</p> <p>11:00am Children's Church (at OUUF)</p>	<p>7:00-9:00 OUUF Men's Group</p>	<p>1:30-2:30 Reading Marginalized Writers Book Club (via Zoom)</p> <p>2:00-3:00 UU Kendal Monthly Gathering (at Kendal)</p>	<p>11:00am-12:00 Pastoral Check-In (via Phone)</p> <p>3:00-4:30 Living with Change Covenant Group (at OUUF)</p> <p>7:00-8:30 What Would Jesus Do? Covenant Group (via Zoom)</p>
Thursday 4/27	Friday 4/28	Saturday 4/29	Sunday 4/30
<p>10:30-11:30am Morning Meditation (via Zoom)</p>			<p>11:00am Sunday Service (hybrid)</p> <p>11:00am</p>

<p>7:00-8:00 Evening Meditation (via Zoom)</p>			<p>Children's Church (at OUUF)</p>
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This Week's Services

April 23

Resistance, Race & Resilience
Service led by Rev. Mary Grigolia

Beneath resistance to teaching the history of racism & slavery in the US, is fear of truth. We journey beyond fear by facing it and feeling it, discovering its gifts in resilience - our own and each other's. We'll share and reflect on a contemporary junior high school text, An American Story.

>> [Download the Order of Service](#) <<

Next Week's Service

April 30

Gratitude: The Science, The Experience
Service led by Lynda Garvin, Zellda Zelle, Jen Bierman, and Emily Williams

Gratitude is a familiar and simple concept, yet the gifts inherent in a particular situation are not always immediately apparent. It's about pausing to notice good things, to look for them, and to appreciate what we often take for granted. We will be sharing our personal experiences with gratitude, as well as looking at the science of gratitude, and the many benefits of a gratitude practice.

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 Story for All Ages. The children will then join us again for an egg hunt about 10 minutes before the end of the service.

Joys and Concerns - April 16

Candle for Climate Justice lit in recognition of Christine Nieves Rodriguez, executive director of Emerge Puerto Rico. After experiencing Hurricane Maria and its aftermath (and the lack of outside aid the island received), she helped launch a mutual-aid initiative that has created a model of how a community can be healthy enough and organized enough to face natural disasters and climate threats. It has focused on establishing cutting-edge climate change leadership and community education to help instill trust in one another.

Candle lit and 30 seconds of silence for an end to the unjust conflict in Ukraine.

Joys, Concerns, and Appreciations

Jo: Appreciation for Rep. Justin Pearson, who was expelled from his seat in the Tennessee House on April 7 and was guest pastor on April 9 at First Unitarian Church of Memphis, Church of the River. You can hear his Easter sermon on YouTube.

Bobbie: Grateful that she could get up on this beautiful morning and thankful for the love and sisterhood we offer.

David: Offered the advice to chill! Don't arrive at enduring conclusions based on one event or result. Be of neutral cheer and wait for more supporting information.

Katie S.: Concern about teachers and kids needing to practice lockdown drills. But appreciation for the teacher who made her kids think the drill was fun. And joy that Hanna dropped off surprise enchiladas.

Helen: Concern that she can't plant peas because it's 85 F. Joy that she is heading for Bowling Green, KY, to visit family. She hasn't see them since the pandemic began.

Don: Appreciation that his kids helped him purchase a Honda so he could to see clients. Johnny Mac will checkout his van.

Jeff: Joy for his mom and brother in Wisconsin where a liberal judge on the Milwaukee County Circuit Court won a seat on the Wisconsin Supreme Court by 11 points in a 50-50 state. Liberals now have their first majority on the state's highest court in 15 years as they deal with abortion rights and gerrymandering.

John: Sorrow that the devastation in Ukraine continues. He realizes we need to help them rearm but as a pacifist, it tears him apart.

Katie: Concern for father and son neighbors who lost everything in a fire. And asks us to contact her if we want to hear about her upcoming concerts.

Marge: Concern about climate change. But joy for the beautiful day.

Fellowship Nametag Refresh

Some of our newer members of the fellowship may not have a name tag, and some long time members may have misplaced their nametags. To make sure everyone has an available nametag, and to include which pronouns people wish to be identified by, we've created a quick and easy survey to fill out to update our records. It's very easy, only three questions, and takes less than a

minute to complete. Please fill it out when you have a moment. It can be viewed through [this link](#).

OUU-tside the Fellowship

Revising the Seven Principles

Last month, we had a great service led by Drew Frantz, where there was a look at the possible revision of the Seven Principles being led by a commission that was formed. Those online didn't really get a great look at the overall report that we had access to at the discussion table, and we didn't have many printed copies. I thought I'd provide a link to the full report in digital format for those that are interested. You can download their [full 26-page report here](#). This appears to be a vote that is happening during General Assembly, so please make sure you are well informed.

The Weekly Update email is published every Thursday/Friday. Send announcements, advice, concerns, and corrections for the Weekly Update to communications@ouuf.org by the Wednesday before publication. Thanks!

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Services every Sunday at 11:00am
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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