

# UUTC UPDATE

MARCH 23rd, 2018



UNITARIAN UNIVERSALISTS OF PENNSYLVANIA COUNTY

A WELCOMING CONGREGATION

## OUR CUP RUNNETH OVER

By Rev. Ilene Tompkins-Gillispie

Sunday, March 25th at **9:15am** and **11:00am**

Come celebrate the many gifts contained within our wonderful UUTC community! On this Generosity Sunday, we will reflect together on our gratitude for the many ways our lives are enriched by being together. The choir will provide a beautiful soundtrack as we finalize our financial pledges and celebrate the many ways we each contribute to our beloved UUTC. And, don't worry, Rev. Ilene won't forget to deliver the first annual "Sermon on the A-Mount!"

*Join us for coffee between services at 10:30am!*

## FACILITATOR WORKSHOP — Sign up by [emailing the office!](#)

Jean Rowe will lead a one-hour workshop on effectively leading or facilitating adult classes at UUTC. This workshop will take place at 3:00pm on March 27th in the large classroom.

## COMING UP at UUTC

### Muffins with the Minister— Mon 3/26 @ 10am

Sikhism Class — Mon 3/26 @ 1:00pm

Christians In Exile — Mon 3/26 @ 3:30pm

Men's Group — Tues 3/27 @ 9:00am

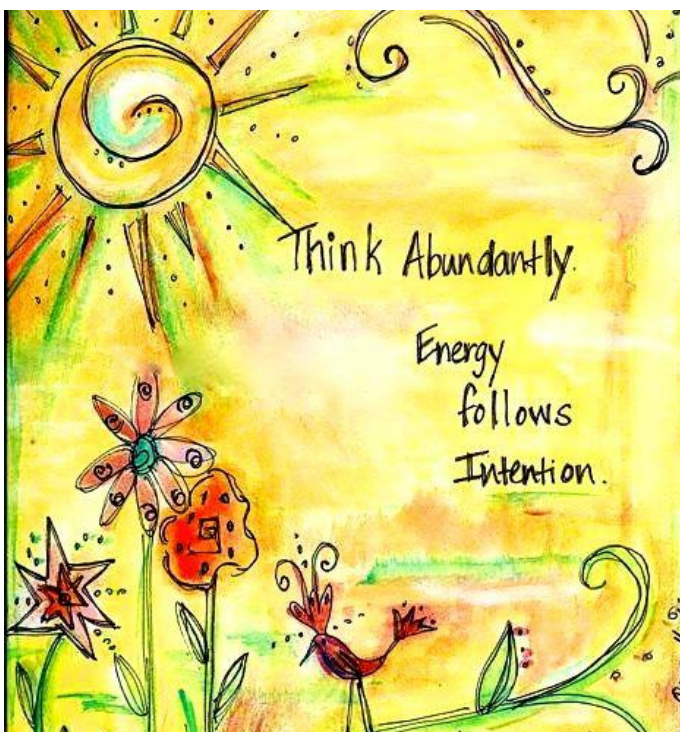
**Board Mtg — Tues 3/27 @ 5:00pm**

SMART Recovery — Tues 3/27 @ 6:00pm

Eclectics — Wed 3/28 @ 9:30am

Choir Rehearsal — Wed 3/28 @ 4:00pm

Growing Younger — Fri 3/30 @ 11:00am



## OWL GRADUATES

Kevin Lausch and Heather Layton, Our Whole Lives (OWL) facilitators, are pleased to recognize the 2nd ever UUTC OWL "graduates" of the 7th-9th grade curriculum. These 13 youth committed themselves to two overnight retreats and three months of weekly meetings from early January through the end of March. This is no small feat for teenagers with very full schedules! We look forward to sharing with our congregational family a short ceremony during the 11:00 service this Sunday, March 25, celebrating their accomplishments.



Back Row: Liam,, Chayse, Aniela and Ede

Front Row: Olivia, Huck, Jessie, Vera, Ellie, Arawen, Colbourn, Kat and Lucy (lying on the front row).

## RISING UP!

John Austin

If you've been at UUTC services recently when the choir was singing, you may have noticed that John Austin seemed to be standing a little higher than before. Well, he actually was. But not through anything he himself did, but due to the superior workmanship of two of our members.



With choir membership now approaching 30 singers, it became evident that those in the back - the tenors and basses - could no longer see the director's directions! Something had to be done!

Building risers for the back rows was one option, but Jim Hardy had a much better idea - a podium which would raise the director instead. So that's what he produced - a beautiful and sturdy platform just large enough to accommodate a square of the carpet used in the sanctuary, with a back rail to prevent the director from falling when he gets carried away with the music. Dan Carter completed the piece with cherry wood finish that matches the pieces on the minister's podium.

Many thanks to these two talented gentlemen who continue to give of their time and energy whenever it fills a need.

**WOMEN'S GROUP • THURSDAY, APRIL 5TH, 12:30PM**

**Paula Williamson**

To encourage individual thought and expression, please bring a question about life to the next meeting. I will, too. We'll toss the questions into a hat and pull one out at a time, allowing for investigation and opinion.

Please bring your bag lunch, perhaps a goodie to share, if you wish, and, most of all your questions and ideas.

I wonder what you're thinking.....



# Easter Egg Hunt



**SUNDAY, APRIL 1, 2018 at the Yellow CHALICE HOUSE!**

Join us directly after the 2nd service at 12:00pm!

Bring your own basket or grab a paper bag as you enter the Sanctuary that day and decorate the bag for the hunt during the service.

There will be 100 eggs with and without candy.

More details about which color eggs to grab if avoiding candy to be announced prior to the hunt.

**There is no RE on Easter Sunday,  
so all ages can stay and enjoy the Easter sermon.**

The Nursery welcomes children ages 0-3.

## GLOBAL ART PROJECT FOR PEACE

*Katherine Somelofski*



What words come to mind when you describe Global Peace? UUTC 4-12 year-olds brainstormed their ideas as they began UUTC's contribution to the 2018 Global Art Project for Peace -- A Book of Visions of Global Peace. But first, what is The Global Art Project?

The mission of The Global Art Project is to joyously create a culture of peace through art. Every other year, groups and individuals use their visions of peace to inspire the creation of works of art (visual, word, performance ...). Participants are matched with another group or individual somewhere else in the world to whom they send their work of art. The sharing takes place in the same week resulting in thousands of people sending messages of Peace around the world at one time -- visions of unity simultaneously encircle the Earth.

Ideas flowed as the UUTC youth brainstormed what peace meant to them -- freedom, equality, harmony with the earth and each other, less competition, no trash, swimming ... and more. Then each youngster created their page for the book with the word(s) of their choice and their own work of art. Many incorporated prints of their hand symbolizing that Peace Is In Our Hands. They signed the page and indicated their age.

Thus began the UUTC book of Visions of Peace. ***The book will be on display during the first 3 weeks of April on the counter next to the nametag boxes.***

NOW IT'S YOUR TURN! Everyone is invited to add a page to the book. Blank pages for you to use are with the book. Be creative -- write a poem, draw a picture, create a collage, make your own handprint -- whatever your vision inspires. Sign your page (age optional).

Feel free to take your page home to work on it. Just be sure to have it back in the book by April 22.



If you would like to learn more about The Global Art Project for Peace, check out [www.globalartproject.org](http://www.globalartproject.org). Over 145,000 people on seven continents have already participated since 1994. Won't you join us in 2018?!

## UUTC Board of Trustees Agenda

March 27, 2018 at 5:00 p.m.

03/22/18 Member Count - 171; Friend Count - 73

<b>Welcome</b>	Carol
<b>Opening Words</b>	Wayne
<b>Approval of February Minutes</b>	Kay
<b>Standing Updates</b>	
Minister's Report	Rev. Ilene
Treasurer's Report	Dave
Administration Committee	Peter (Liaison)
Finance Committee	Alison Marlett
Property Committee	Margaret Kimble
Advisory Council	Leslie Keir
<b>Old Business</b>	
Rental Property Boundaries	Kay
<b>Board Calendar Review</b>	Kay
<b>New Business</b>	
Annual Review of Board Operating Guidelines	
Annual Review of Minister Discussion	
<b>Adjourn</b>	
<i>Next Board Meeting: April 24 at 5:00 p.m.</i>	



### IN HONOR / MEMORY OF...

If you've been wanting to memorialize or honor a current or former member of UUTC, did you know that you can choose the "destination" of your gift? Your gift can be designated to the Endowment Fund, Varsity Fund, General Fund or to the Sponsored Projects Fund. If the gift is going to Sponsored Projects, you could, for instance, specify the Memorial Garden... or any other project on the list. Make out your check to UUTC, with the designated fund on the memo line, and the name of the person you want honored.

# THE "YOU" IN UUTC SOCIAL ACTION

## HELP "GET AHEAD" PROGRAM

Can you provide breakfast or lunch items to Sharing House for the Get Ahead program? This program meets at Brevard Wesleyan Church—other groups help by providing food.

Suggested foods are: Sandwiches/chips, bagels and cream cheeses, breakfast casseroles, cheese, crackers, fruit, and beverages like sweet tea and lemonade. UUTC is responsible for April 4 and April 18. Food should be delivered to Brevard Wesleyan at 9:45am and can be dropped off upstairs. There is a sign up sheet at the front desk of UUTC. If you can provide food but can't deliver, Kathy Reiff can meet you at UUTC and take your contribution over to BWC. Thank you!

## WEEKEND FOOD FOR THE HAVEN

Help the residents of The Haven by providing weekend meal components on Friday, April 6th and/or Friday, April 11th. Contact Virginia MacDonald for more details (828-862-6505). **We are short on meals.** Sign up at the front counter, and thanks!

## AAUW BOOK DRIVE

The AAUW Book Drive raises funds for scholarships for women who attend our local colleges. Declutter your bookcases, and bring your finds to the yellow box in the foyer. If you have a large number of books and need them to be picked up, call Penny Davies at 828-966-9393.

## Inclusive. Intentional. INVOLVED.

*Our Mission, as a welcoming, inclusive community acting from love, compassion and respect is:*

*To support individual spiritual journeys and To promote social, economic and environmental justice.*



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SOUTHERN REGION



## KEEP UP WITH WHAT'S HAPPENING!!!

**VIEW** our "insider" [church calendar](#). For previous issues of the UUTC Update, click [HERE](#).

**SEND** news for this newsletter by 10:00am on Wednesdays.

## CONTACT US

**Need Pastoral Care?** Call Rev. Ilene at (877) 510-5603.

**Church office hours** are Monday through Friday from 9:00 a.m. until noon and by appointment. The church telephone number is **828-877-6121**. **Our mailing address** is UUTC, PO Box 918, Brevard, NC 28712. Our website is [www.uutc.org](http://www.uutc.org). Our church is located at the corner of Varsity Street and South Broad Street in Brevard. Our email address is [admin@uutc.org](mailto:admin@uutc.org).