

UUTC UPDATE

August 24, 2018



UNITARIAN UNIVERSALISTS OF PENNSYLVANIA COUNTY

A WELCOMING CONGREGATION

AWAKENING THE BEAUTIFUL

Rev. Shelly Webb

Sunday, August 26th, 9:15 & 11:00am

There is a quiet power and beauty to behold when something, someplace, someone begins to heal. Broken parts mend, new seeds grow, hope emerges. As John O'Donahue said, "Beauty's visitation affects us, and invites us into the rhythm...."

Join us for coffee at 10:30am!

Nursery care available from 9:00am to 12:00pm.

NURSERY CARE — BOTH SERVICES

Our nursery is open from 9:00am to noon for children ages 0-3. Take advantage of either service at your convenience—our childcare staff would love to welcome your child.



CRE CURRICULUM NIGHT — DINNER & CHILDCARE PROVIDED! SEE PAGE 3!

Though we travel the world
over to find the beautiful,
we must carry it with us,
or we find it not

Ralph Waldo Emerson

COMING UP at UUTC

Keys to the Kingdom — Mon 8/20 @ 5:00pm

Men's Group — Tues 8/21 @ 9:00am

Finance Com. — Tues 8/21 @ 10:00am

Dream Group — Tues 8/21 @ 2:30pm

SMART Recovery — Tues 8/21 @ 6pm

Eclectics — Wed 8/22 @ 9:30am

Ensemble Rehearsal — Wed 8/22 @ 4:00pm

Living Life Fully — Thurs 8/23 @ 3:00pm

CIRCLE DINNERS: FALL EDITION

Circle Dinners have been scheduled for Fridays — September 21 and October 19 still have openings. The mission of Circle Dinners is to create greater connections among Members, Friends and Newcomers. Circle Dinners are potluck with a single, couple or couple with children hosting in their home. If you do host, it's for one time and then you are a participant for the other nights. Folks are encouraged to participate in two or three dinners. Sign-ups and more information are at the counter. Contact Elizabeth Thompson (828-384-0778) for more information.



MARK YOUR
CALENDAR



Sam Pacetti returns to UUTC on Friday, **September 14th**. Don't succumb to the post-Mountain Song Festival blues... make plans to hear a maestro of finger-style guitar!

IT'S NEVER TOO LATE TO DISCOVER CREATIVITY

Jeanie Bernard

Join a weekly conversation focusing on Julia Cameron's (*The Artist's Way*) newest program, **It's Never too Late to Begin Again: Discovering Creativity and Meaning in Midlife**. Gather weekly in a facilitated discussion to hear what others are doing and to share your experiences. Limited to 12 women. An introductory session will be Thursday, Sept 6 from 10am--12pm at UUTC. The 12 sessions following will conclude on December 12 —details provided Sept. 6th.



This exploration is for any woman who wishes to expand her creativity. It is aimed at those transitioning into the second act of life. Each week, the participants will read the week's chapter and complete the tasks. There are four tools that participants will do on their own: daily journal writing, once-weekly artist date, twice-weekly solo walks. A memoir will unfurl over the entire twelve weeks, as each member revisits her unique story one section at a time. Please sign up at the front desk.

SOCIAL ACTION AGENCY FOR AUGUST — EL CENTRO: FINAL SUNDAY!

This year we added a new agency to UUTC — El Centro Comunitario Hispano-Americano of Transylvania County.

El Centro provides after-school tutoring; conversational English practice for adults; information sessions (platicas) on topics of interest to the Latino/Hispanic community; interpretation/translation services for needs at schools, attorneys, landlords, and businesses (no medical appointments); Information and referrals specific to the Latino community.



El Centro's Mission is to enhance the well-being and integration of the Hispanic community through promoting education, enhancing multicultural understanding, fighting for social justice, developing Latino leadership, and encouraging civic participation. In a time of ICE and other hostilities against our non-white neighbors, your generosity to this cause will be greatly appreciated. Thank you!

The Children's Religious Exploration program
at the Unitarian Universalist Church of
Trans Co. invites you to our

Open House Curriculum Night

- Connect with "Rainbow Connection" a curriculum for our Chalice Children ages 4-7
- Learn about "Toolbox of Faith" a Tapestry of Faith curriculum for ages 8-11
- Ask questions about our bimonthly TEEN NIGHTS

August 26, 2018 / 4:30 - 6pm
UUTC, 24 Varsity St. Brevard
RSVP to Heather, cre@uutc.org or 553-3810
www.uutc.org

- Dinner & Childcare Provided
Please Call to Reserve -

OFFICE HOURS

Want to make an appointment with Rev. Ilene? Contact RK to schedule a meeting during one of these time slots. Other appointment times may be available too, as needed.

Mondays 2:00—5:00pm

Tuesdays 9:30am--2:00pm

Wednesdays 12:00--4:30pm



ANNUAL FALL PICNIC!

Come join the fun on **Sunday, September 16th at Atagahi Park** in Connestee Falls after the second service! Full-family fun--bring those swimsuits, bring something delicious to share--total potluck delight!

Call the office or sign up at the front counter—a list of attendees must be given to the gate keepers. Thanks!



CHRISTIANS IN EXILE (CIE) — FALL RESTART

CIE meets from 3:30 to 5:00pm on second and fourth Mondays. The next meeting will be Monday, September 10. The book selected for study is Joseph Campbell's Thou Art That. Highland Books quoted a price of \$14.95. [Jean Rowe](#) needs to know how many books to order. Please let her know of your interest as soon as possible, either by email or phone (828-279-1586).



**UUTC'S 10TH ANNIVERSARY
APPROACHES: PREPARE FOR
RENEWAL!**

MUFFINS WITH THE MINISTER

Our next "Muffins" dates are August 27th and September 10th. Come have coffee, talk with Rev. Ilene and enjoy each other! Runs from 10:00am to noon.

OXFORD HOUSE WOMEN...

... Are having a garage sale! The event will happen at the Lutheran Church of the Good Shepherd across from Ingles on the 7th & 8th of September, from 9:00am to 4:00pm. This is Mountain Song Festival weekend, but drop by if you can!

To my dear friends in the UUTC congregation—I can never adequately express my love for each of you and for this congregation which provided such caring support for me, husband Wayne and daughter Rachel during my stroke and subsequent recovery. I am truly grateful to each of you. — Alison Marlett



WAKE NOW OUR VISION

COLLABORATIVE CAMPAIGN

Legacy Challenge

WAKE NOW OUR VISION LEGACY CHALLENGE MAGNIFY YOUR GIVING

Wake Now Our Vision Legacy Challenge is designed to encourage new **legacy** giving. A legacy gift is a gift of cash, securities or other property that is realized after you die through a beneficiary designation or your will. New legacy gift intentions made between January 1, 2017 to June 30, 2020 will qualify for a matching program as *long as matching funds remain*. **If the receiving institution is unaware of an earlier intention, it will still qualify as new.** The matching amount is 10% up to \$10,000 and the match comes from the Shelter Rock Congregation. In other words, a gift up to \$100,000 dollars will be matched by a gift from Shelter Rock in the amount of \$10,000. A \$1000 gift will be matched by a gift in the amount of \$100. If or if the gift cannot be accurately valued at this time, a flat match of \$1,000 will be given. Charitable Gift Annuities will count for this flat match. **Four Members of UUTC have already qualified their gifts to this campaign. Why not join them in making an impact?**

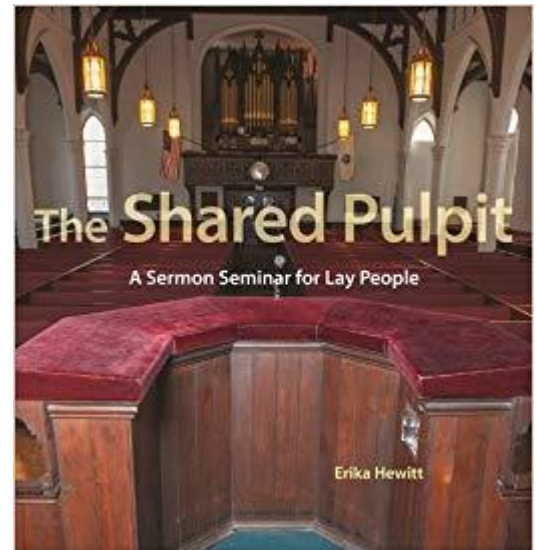
UUA groups that qualify for these matching gifts are [Church of the Larger Fellowship](#), Starr King School for the Ministry, UU Minister's Association, Meadville Lombard Theological School, the UUA, [UUUC](#), [The Mountain Retreat & Learning Center](#), and **qualified UU Congregations such as UUTC.**

If your gift to UUTC is listed as a percentage of your assets, then Shelter Rock will provide a flat match of \$1000. However, unlike your legacy gift, the contributions from Shelter Rock will begin paying out in summer of 2019 to your selected groups. **Don't miss this chance to amplify your giving.** Fill out and sign a Legacy Challenge form and submit with supporting documentation. **Forms may be found on the office counter**, or downloaded from the website, below. You may also request one be mailed to you from the office — 828-877-6121 or office@uutc.org.

Visit wakenowourvision.org, contact Campaign Director Laura Randall at lrandall@uua.org, or call 617-948-6511 for more information.

THE SHARED PULPIT — NEW CLASS FORMING

The Shared Pulpit, based on the book of the same name, is a complete workshop to help lay people gain experience writing and preaching (if they choose!) a full-length sermon for their congregation. Workshop members learn about the theory and theology of preaching, then practice writing and speaking with authenticity, gradually building toward composing quality 20-minute sermons. Workshop leaders learn to foster a supportive environment in which participants offer one another helpful feedback.



UUTC's course is facilitated by Carol Flake. A signup sheet is at the front counter. If you've ever thought "I have something to say," or "I should share this with others," then please consider whether this growth opportunity might be for you. Our summer series of speakers from last year's course was a richly rewarding experience for all! The class is limited to eight, but please sign up to indicate your interest—not all signees may be able to make meetings work with their schedules.

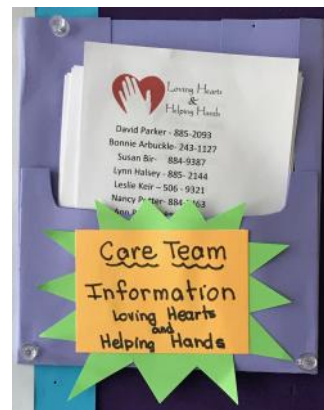
UNITARIAN UNIVERSALIST'S OF TRANS CO

TEEN NIGHTS

FOR AGES 13-18 YEARS OLD, BRING FRIENDS!
5PM-7PM, DINNER TO BE SERVED
FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT
REVEREND ILENE: REVILENE@UUTC.ORG

WE WILL MEET THE FOLLOWING SUNDAYS THIS FALL:
SEPTEMBER 9 & 23
OCTOBER 14 & 28
NOVEMBER 4 & 18
FUN & FELLOWSHIP!
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VISITED THE BULLETIN BOARD?

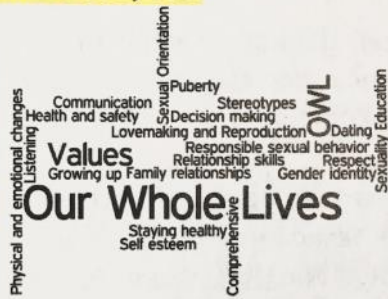


We have performed a makeover, once again, to the bulletin boards in the foyer. Given how much there is to share, we are

being quite ruthless in space allocation, but giving more attention to the resources people need most. We especially wanted to make more space for our People, in one way or another.

Check out the makeover the next time you are in the office!

Our Whole Lives - Two Levels Facilitator Training Workshops Charlotte, NC



TRAINING FOR OWL FACILITATORS: TWO OPPORTUNITIES!

Working with our youth and providing honest answers to their questions is enriching both for them and for us. Our Whole Lives (OWL) programming is so greatly valued that the United Church of Christ is now using the curriculum, as well. New leaders are always needed, so that

individual schedules can be honored... but our children continue to be served.

“Honest, accurate information about sexuality changes lives. It dismantles stereotypes and assumptions, builds self-acceptance and self-esteem, fosters healthy relationships, improves decision making, and has the potential to save lives.... Our Whole Lives helps participants make informed and responsible decisions about their sexual health and behavior. With a holistic approach, Our Whole Lives provides, accurate, developmentally appropriate information about a range of topics, including relationships, gender identity, sexual orientation, sexual health, and cultural influences on sexuality.” —UUA.org

The **first opportunity** is **Friday through Sunday, Sept 21st-23rd, in Charlotte, NC**. Early bird cost (before August 31st) is \$275, \$300 after that date. Deadline for registration is September 12th. Contact Event Registrar Kathleen Carpenter via [email](#) or by calling 704-366-8623. Training for both K-6 and 7-12 is being offered. This is 2.5 hours from Brevard.

The **second opportunity** is also for all grades, but is **October 12th through the 14th**. The deadline for registration is September 15th. This training is being held at [Holston Valley UU](#), **less than 2 hours away in Johnson City, TN**. To register for this training, visit their website, click on the Learning tab at the top of the home page, and select either the K-6 or the 7-12 training from that menu. Contact Sarah White with any questions or concerns by [emailing](#) or calling 941-626-7973.

Home Hospitality is available at both sites, but will fill up quickly. Registration fees cover instruction and meals at either site, but trainees need to bring their own books. The Johnson City K-6 course appears to be the most extensive (meaning more books!) Some may be available at UUTC—please check with Heather Layton.

OWL Facilitators benefit not just our youth, but kids all over the county. The reputation of the program is well known, and we have a lot of demand. Please consider the plunge!

THE “YOU” IN UUTC SOCIAL ACTION

YOUR SACRED FIRE LEADERS

Nine have stepped up and will be attending the Sacred Fire leadership conference “Practicing Interdependence” September 28-30 in Charlotte. This inspiring group will participate in meetings every month to develop social justice leadership skills. In addition, they will work with other congregational Sacred Fire groups to improve the success of social justice work in the state of NC.

Our team is: *Ian Fox, John Gabcik, Lynn Halsey, Bobby King, Virginia MacDonald, Sharon Moya, Susan Sklar, Charles Wicker and Susan Zelle.* Thanks to the team for their commitment of time and energy in helping lead UUTC in meeting its missional goals!

FIX IT: HEALTHCARE AT THE TIPPING POINT September 20th, 2018 — 6:30-8:00pm at UUTC

FIX IT: Healthcare at the Tipping Point will be shown, comments given by Marsha Fretwell MD, and a discussion facilitated by Kyra Moore and Dr. Fretwell. The documentary reaches across the political and ideological divide and makes the case for business leaders to support major healthcare reform. The system, as is, is inefficient, has limited accessibility and is cost prohibitive to business and families. Is Medicare for all as a single payer system the solution? This event is sponsored by Healthcare for All, Physicians for a National Health Program and the Transylvania Branch of the NAACP.

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.*



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. Office Hours M: 2-5:00, T: 9:30-2:00, W: 12-4:30pm

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. Our church is located at the corner of Varsity Street and South Broad Street in Brevard. Our email address is admin@uutc.org.