

Universalist Unitarian Church of Joliet ScUUp

April 21, 2024

Upcoming Services

04/21/24 - The Rev. Ms. Denise Tracy - We Need Not Think Alike Those words were spoken by Hungarian Unitarian Cleric, Francis David, 455 years ago. This service will explore the radical notion of religious freedom. 04/28/24 - Scott Marshall

May Speakers: Rev. Denise Tracy, Bev Feldt, and Rev. Scott Aaseng How to Attend Virtual Services

Go to our website www.uujoliet.org to join us online. Service starts at 10:30 A.M. Please be sure to sign in using your first and last name. We would like to be able to see who is fellowshipping with us (our members, friends, and guests). If you go back to the UUCJ website, you will see another button that will bring you to the coffee hour.

Need Additional Help

If you or someone you know is having trouble getting into the service, they can send an email to techhelp@uujoliet.org to get technical support. For those of you who join our services by phone call use the following code to dial in use the phone number (309) 248-0704:

04/21/24 - 550 727 482# 04/28/24 - 645 324 370#

For the month of April 2024, the offering plate donations will go to L.O.S.S. (Loving Outreach to Survivors of Suicide). They provide counseling and support services to individuals grieving the loss of a loved one to suicide. Through LOSS, we compassionately accompany survivors on their grief journey. To donate, please write LOSS (in the memo section of the check or on the

envelope). Please remember to make the checks out to UUCJ, and indicate 1055 in the memo.



Monthly Board Meeting - 04/18/2024 at 7:00 P.M.

MidAmerica Regional Assembly Day 1 - 04/19/2024 at 7:00 P.M.

MidAmerica Regional Assembly Day 2 - 04/20/2024 at 8:00 A.M.

Adult Book Discussion Group - 04/21/2024 at 9:00 A.M.

Murder Mystery Practice - 04/21/2024 at 1:00 P.M.

Murder Mystery Practice - 04/22/2024 at 6:30 P.M.

Full Moon with Treibh na Tintean - 04/23/2024 at 6:30 P.M.

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BOARDINFO

Monthly Board meeting will be Thursday, April 18, 2024 at 7:00 P.M.

Our first Town hall meeting for all members to look at and ask questions for the FY 24-25 budget will be on Sunday, April 28th at 12:00 P.M. All members are encouraged to come and ask questions or give input.

Committee Chairs, your FY 24 yearly report is due to the office NO LATER than Sunday May 13, 2024. Please email your report to Michelle at uucjoffice@uujoliet.org.

Any recommendations of organizations for donation of the monthly plate collections to, please send the information to the office at <u>uucjoffice@uujoliet.org</u> or place a list in Michelle's mailbox in the Dicken's room.

The board is considering hosting a church wide garage sale in August, but we need workers to help plan and carry it out. Anyone interested please contact the office to sign up no later than May 1, 2024.

The MidAmerica 2024 Regional Assembly is taking place April 19th and 20th. Your delegates are Ray Thom and Grant Prellwitz. This Multi-day conference centered on connecting across individuals, congregations, and regions takes place in Madison, WI but will be live streamed at the church.

Come and join your delegates! Friday April 19th from 7 P.M. - 10 P.M. and Saturday, April 20th from 8:00 A.M. to 6 P.M.

FINANCE COMMITTEE

A huge and heartfelt "Thank You" to all who have submitted their pledges so far. We currently have 15 days left in this Canvass Drive so if you have not yet submitted your pledge either at UUCJ (cards and box are on entryway table), via email to <u>Finance@uujoliet.org</u> or to the Office at <u>office@uujoliet.org</u>, you still have

time! And if you need a pledge card, please reach out to Finance or the Office and we will send you one.

We have received 20 pledges to day totaling \$60,868.00. Your support, both financial and with your time and talents is greatly appreciated.

COMMUNICATIONS & TECHNOLOGY LAY MINISTRY MEMBERSHIP

New Membership sign up will be April 28th. Anyone interested in becoming a new member please see Charlotte Droogan for more information.

Build Your Own Theology will resume on May 19th.

SOCIALJUŠTICE

This is the last week to bring in cleaning supplies (to be added to provided buckets) for immigrant families and shelters. Please see Charlotte Droogan for more information.

SOCIAL JUSTICE MOVIE NIGHT

There will be NO movie during the month of April.

ADULT BOOK DISCUSSION GROUP

The Book Discussion Group meets both in-person/online at 9 A.M. To join us online, go to https://bit.ly/UUCJAdultDiscussion. You may also join through our website.

We are reading How to Know a Person: The Art of Seeing Others Deeply and Being Deeply Seen by David Brooks

OFFICE ANNOUNCEMENTS

Office Hours are Monday - Thursday 9 A.M. - 1 P.M.

Building Use Forms located on the office door are for Church Committee and Group use. Church Committees may also submit their forms through our website. All announcement for the ScUUp or service must be submitted by Noon on Wednesday.

All requests for work to be completed by the office administrator for an individual, group or committee should be submitted in writing. You may use the PINK Work Request forms on the office door or by submitting an email to uucjoffice@uujoliet.org.

CLARA BARTON GUILD MUSIC & WORSHIP

During the month of July, the church will have services on Sunday. More information will be forthcoming.

DRUMMING CIRCLE

Please join our eclectic drum circle and add to the rhythms of our ancestors. All ages and identities are welcome. No music experience or instrument needed. Drums and percussion available for anyone to use, or bring your own.

HOSPITALITY COMMITTEE

Hospitality would like to thank everyone who donates money and/or food items to Sunday coffee hour. If you would like to donate items please know that you can be reimbursed for food items when you submit your receipt to the office.

Thank you to everyone who helps with setting up and clearing up at Sunday coffee hour.

Please know that coffee hour can use your help ①. Any suggestions, concerns or questions regarding Hospitality or the kitchen please direct to Becky Studer in person or via text at (815) 922-2716 or email studerb3@gmail.com.

Anyone interested in joining the Hospitality Committee please let Becky know. We would appreciate your help!

BUILDING & GROUNDS GREEN AT UUCJ

We are asking anyone who takes a bottle of water out of the small fridge to consider making a donation so that the church may buy additional cases to supplement those that are donated. Please place \$1 (or whatever you are led to donate) in the locked purple box on top of the fridge.

TREIBHNATINTEAN



Performances are Friday, April 26th and Saturday, April 27th. Doors open at 6:30 P.M. and the show starts at 7:00 P.M.

The ticket price includes a four-course dinner, beverages and of course and evening of entertainment and mystery. Meal choices are a chicken dinner or a stuffed shells (vegetarian) dinner.

Tickets are now on sale! Tickets may be purchased Sundays at the church, online at https://uujoliet.org/murder-mystery-dinner/

Regular Price (March 27-April 22) - \$50 each

Desperate Tickets (April 23-April 27) - \$65 each

We still need servers and helpers. To volunteer, or for more information, please contact Cathy Coss at 815-439-8934 or <u>felcorp@sbcglobal.net</u>.

Thank you for your support!



For those who have lost a furry member of their family recently,

we hold you in our hearts as you grieve.



Administrative Professionals Week is **celebrated annually during the last full week in April** and the intervening Wednesday (April 24th) is designated "Administrative Professionals Day". This week is dedicated to secretaries and administrative professionals in recognition of their contributions toward business and industries.



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