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January 24, 2020



The **Threshold**

Towson Unitarian Universalist Church

A Welcoming Congregation

60 YEARS YOUNG AND COUNTING!

UPCOMING SERVICES

January 26, 2020, 9:30 and 11:15 AM Stephen Finner: What, Me Worship?

I am a newcomer to TUUC, having joined this past August. This is my sixth UU congregation, in the 45 years I have been a Unitarian or Universalist. UU worship, like my theology, has changed over these many years. What is worship? How does it inform our faith? How does it impact our view of life? You may find my answers interesting and worthwhile. Or your response may be negative and lead you to consider my excommunication. I do promise that you won't be bored. So let the journey begin!

February 2, 2020, 9:30 and 11:15 AM We're All In!

Rev. Clare L. Petersberger, Joyce Duncan, Tracy Hall, Lora Powell Haney, Anita Cox, Stewardship Chair, Dr. Neil Porter. and the TUUC Choir

The word "resilience" comes from Latin and has to do with going back to the beginning of the heart of something. Resiliency has to do with moving through life's changes. Resilience is not passive but active. Today we launch our annual stewardship campaign. Through music, story, and reflections we shall lift up returning to the heart of TUUC. What is that core? What does it require of us? How do we help one another to move with and through change? How do we help one another to develop spiritual resiliency?

RELIGIOUS EXPLORATION

Our three younger groups will start out upstairs in the service and then be sung

down to join with friends new and old for their class or group.

Kindergarten/First Grade Creating Home: Prophet Muhammad

The stories in this session are about the prophet Muhammad. He had strong feelings for Mecca, his childhood home and the home city of his clan. As an adult, Muhammad followed his deep desire to bring Islam to Mecca and build a faith home in the city of his family home. The class will examine values Unitarian Universalism shares with Islam.

There are several aspects of Muhammad's story that connect with Unitarian Universalist values. One is Muhammad's persistence in holding true to his beliefs, as personally experienced, and sharing his beliefs with others. Through Islam, Muhammad's revelations about the nature of Allah and the nature of the universe spread.

2nd/3rd Grade Moral Tales: Courage and Perseverance

To act out of goodness and for justice often requires courage, determination and the will to keep going despite many challenges.

In this session we will hear a Jakata story from the Buddhist tradition about a parrot that carries drops of water in its feathers back and forth from the river in order to save the animals of a burning forest. The Devas (the Gods) initially laugh at what they think is a fruitless effort, but later one Deva is moved by the love and courage of the little parrot. The Deva's tears add to the parrot's drops and the fire is extinguished.

We too may act alone and against all odds, but when we are compelled by conscience and love, our continued efforts can catch the attention of others and cause something greater to happen spiritually and in the world. As Unitarian Universalists we seek to bring our faith to action. Helping our young people gain the skills and confidence to persist for what they believe in will help them to become leaders and people of moral action.

4th-6th Grade Harry and UU: Fighting Animal Cruelty

This class continues their discussion of animal cruelty by looking at ethical eating and learning a charm.

Our Whole Lives sexuality education (7th-9th)

This group continues to have great discussions about sexuality, health, and values. This group meets with a panel of people with varying sexuality and orientation.

YRUU Integrity This group meets at 11:15 in Room 7. They continue planning the worship service that they present in February. The discussion theme for this month is Integrity.



LGBTQ / TGQNB* Welcoming Congregations Five Practices of Welcome Renewal

All of who you are is sacred. All of who you are is welcome. For more information, please visit www.uua.org/lgbtq/welcoming.

Transgender, Genderqueer, Non-Binary

by Sue Royer, President-Elect

* Supporting proposed legislation and/or public policy *

The Green Sanctuary Committee asked in December, 2019 if TUUC could sign on as an organization supporting Coal Community Transition in Maryland. The Sierra Club has chosen this issue as a priority for 2020 and already had UU Legislative Ministry of Maryland as well as the Cedar Lane and Columbia UU churches as signatories.

We had some emails back and forth and Rev. Clare reminded us that, a number of years ago, the congregation passed a policy on making endorsements and/or position statements. This policy is listed starting on page 3 of our current policy manual (dated 2006).

The Board of Trustees, at our January 15 meeting, discussed a resolution on supporting legislation and/or public policy. The following resolution was adopted by the Board last week:

In support of our Mission and for timely response during legislative sessions, the Board supports legislation proposed by and/or public policy positions taken by the Unitarian Universalist Legislative Ministry of Maryland (statelevel) or by Unitarian Universalists for Social Justice or Unitarian Universalist Ministry for Earth (both at the national-level), if such legislation or public policy position is supported by the appropriate Church committee or group. The Board permits the use of the Church's name in support of such legislation and/or public policy positions. The sponsoring committee will then provide information about the supported legislation to be included in the Threshold. This is effective through the remainder of

the current fiscal year, that is, to June 30, 2020.

** end of resolution **

Our Church actively participates in and supports UULM, UUSJ, and UUME. These groups work hard to stay current with possible legislation and public policy positions which align with UU Principles and support our Mission.

Timely response is essential to indicate support for proposed legislation. Should the Social Action Committee, the Green Sanctuary Committee, A Dialog on Race and Ethnicity, or other appropriate group support proposed legislation, and if this legislation is supported by UULM, UUSJ or UUME, then the Board authorizes the Church's name to be used in support of the proposed legislation.

This is more effective and less confusing than publicly stating that a Church committee supports the legislation. (For example, in the case of the Coal Community Transition, the Green Sanctuary Committee signed on as supporting the policy in December.)

The Board asks that the sponsoring committee then publicize information about the proposed legislation in the Threshold, for Church member awareness. Other communication methods to spur letter writing and calls to elected officials are also encouraged.

Unitarian Universalist Legislative Ministry of Maryland <u>https://www.uulmmd.org/</u> Unitarian Universalists for Social Justice <u>http://uusj.net/wp1/</u> Unitarian Universalist Ministry for Earth <u>https://www.uumfe.org/</u> Per our current policy, this notice to congregants is published on January 24, 2020. Members of the congregation have 10 days to protest to the President, Neil Porter. **Protests should be by telephone and then confirmed in**

writing. If ten (10) written protests are not received by February 3, then the Board's resolution becomes effective as of February 4, 2020.

NOTICES

IN CELEBRATION OF THE LIFE OF KEN KIRCHHOFER



We regret to inform you of the death of Ken Kirchhofer on January 5. His obituary may be found here: http://

www.baltimoresun.com/ obituaries/bs-md-ob-kennethkirchhofer-20200110mguer2w2cfbojlnrnlcdyv5dea -story.html

Ken made attending worship a priority; served as a TUUC usher; participated in our Chalice Circle small group ministry; supported our community partners; and was appreciated for his sense of humor and kindness. A celebration of Ken's life will be held at TUUC at 11 a.m. on March 28th. ---Rev. Clare

SOCIAL ACTION

A big thank you for all the donations to Prologue! 41 hats and caps, 11 scarves, 21 pr. Gloves, and 2 pr. socks.



On the upcoming cold winter nights, these items will be appreciated. Sue Shankroff

BOOK NOOK

There will be no Book Nook in January, unfortunately, because not enough volunteers are available to staff it. We are looking for more volunteers. Book Nook is generally open once a month and if we have a sufficient

number of volunteers, no one has to help every month. If you are interested in helping or learning more about it, please contact Tim Boniface or Marian Michel.



FEEDING THE HUNGRY

February has a 5th Saturday which means that the TUUC community has pledged to donate AT LEAST 60 casseroles to Our Daily Bread that provides a hot lunch to those in need, 52 weeks a year. Please sign up to make, buy or donate \$10 for a casserole to be purchased in your name. Casseroles need to be brought to TUUC by 8:30am, Saturday, February 29, 2020. Thanks for your generous support, please keep it up.

GALLERY UNICORN

The Gallery Unicorn Annual Member's Show opened on January 12, 2020. We are pleased to share work created by our own members and their



families, which reveals the creativity and diversity in our midst. Participants include Jeanette Anders, Mary Beth Brizzolara, Anita Cox, Jon Gamsey, Beverly Ginsburg, Jane D'Ambrogi, Dorothy Hosmer, Miriam Hull, Sidney Katz, Gail Ogin, Len Proctor, Bob Pyle, Sue Shankroff, Carolyn Stewart, Hazel Talbott, Christina Tarsell, and Richard Wagner. The show will run through February 23, 2020.

TUUC TALENT SHOW & CHILI CONTEST Sponsored by the Program Council Revised date now confirmed: Saturday, April 4, 2020 from 4 pm – 7 pm

Save the date for our all congregational, family -friendly talent show and chili contest! Start thinking about your performance – music, dance, spoken word, improv, comedy, puppets, ... Performers are encouraged to collaborate with others. Small groups and multigenerational groups are encouraged. Details, including how to sign-up to perform, will be announced soon. Free and open to the public.

SINGLES FELLOWSHIP GROUP POTLUCK Saturday, February 15, at 6 pm.

Join us for good food and conversation in the church lobby. We offer an atmosphere for fellowship and friendship among TUUC single adults. We range in age from the 60's to 80's, but gladly welcome anyone to join us. Please call Ronald Rowley to RSVP and to get more information. He is listed in the church directory.

SOUL MATTERS SHARING CIRCLE

Our Soul Matters Sharing Circle meets twice a month for an hour and a half to offer the gift of connection.

Each month, participants receive a packet with a selection of spiritual exercises and questions to explore the monthly spiritual theme in more depth. This allows us to listen to our lives.

We come together to share what we have discovered. This offers us the experience of being heard and of hearing others at a deeper level than a culture of being bombarded by "information" often allows.

Finally, we listen to our individual and collective wisdom. Quaker teacher Parker Palmer explains:

"So what do we do in a circle of trust? We speak our own truth; we listen receptively to the truth of others; we ask each other honest, open questions instead of giving counsel; and we offer each other the healing and empowering gifts of silence and laughter... Our purpose is not to teach anyone anything but to give the inner teacher a chance to teach us."

We begin a new circle in February 11. Please contact Rev. Clare (<u>revclare@towsonuuc.org</u>) for more information or if you would like to join.



The Church Administrator is on vacation and will return February 3, 2020. Need assistance? Contact Nancy Hannah at assistant@towsonuuc.org



ADORE

On **Friday, February 7**, you are invited to join ADORE and Available Light for a screening of *Us*, the 2019 horror film written and directed by Jordan Peele, the director of *Get Out*. A vacationing middle-class Black family finds themselves under siege by



an eerie group of home invaders who appear to be their doppelgängers.

The film raises questions about our nation's history of genocide, about class inequality, and about the failure of good intentions to create change. Creepy, disturbing, and utterly unforgettable, *Us* will have you pondering its themes for a long time. Movie at **6:30 in the meeting room**, followed by a discussion. Bring a snack!

On Wednesday, February 26, TUUC's own Morad Eghbal will join us to share his insights on Iran, its conflicts, and its portrayal in the media. Please join us at 7:00 in Room 7 to learn about Iran; Morad will be taking questions after his talk.

LEGISLATIVE UPDATE

The 2020 Maryland General Assembly session has begun! TUUC partners with the UU Legislative Ministry of Maryland, which will focus this year on legislative activity in the areas of climate change and the environment, economic justice, criminal justice, medically-assisted end of life, gun violence, healthcare, and immigration. You can get more information about current UULM legislation and sign up for email updates at <u>http://www.uulmmd.org</u>.

One upcoming action item is the vote to

override the governor's veto of the Maryland DREAM Act expansion in order to remove restrictions on in-state tuition for some immigrant students at state colleges and universities. This vote has been rescheduled for January 30, 2020, in the House and January 31 in the Senate. Concerned voters should contact their senator and delegates to express their position on this override. You can determine who represents you by inputting your address at <u>https://</u> maryland.maps.arcgis.com/apps/ webappviewer/index.html? id=177afa87a67746a4ac5496b2d0897fb7.

Override votes are also expected early in the session on legislation which would transfer handgun permit reviews away from a board appointed by the governor, and prohibit employers from asking about criminal records in initial job applications.

Compassion & Choices is holding a Lobby Day on end of life options on January 28, 2020 starting at 9:30 A.M. at 6 Bladen St., Rm. 170, Annapolis MD 21401. More information on this legislation is available at <u>https://</u> <u>compassionandchoices.org/in-your-state/</u> <u>maryland</u>.

CASA De Maryland is hosting Noche del Immigrante Immigrant Lobby Night on January 27, 2020 starting at 5:30 P.M. at Lawyers Mall in Annapolis. UULMsupported immigration-related issues include HB 0388, restricting law enforcement's cooperation with ICE, and HB 0403, which requires the Attorney General to develop guidelines for courthouses, schools, and hospitals to limit immmigration enforcement on their premises. Also please contact your Senators to express opposition to SB 0197,

requiring notification to Homeland Security before release of some immigrant prisoners.

Watch this space for updates as bill numbers are assigned to initiatives of TUUC partners and hearing dates are scheduled.

EVERYTHING YOU'VE EVER WANTED TO KNOW ABOUT PLEDGING

Q & A Sessions on Sunday, January 26

Do you have questions about pledging such as:

- What exactly is a pledge?

- Why do we need to pledge?
- How much should I pledge?
- How do I fulfill my pledge?
- What is my pledge used for?

- What happens if I make a pledge and can't pay it?

- How much does TUUC receive in pledges each year?

Or any other question you might have.

In advance of our February 2 kickoff for our annual stewardship campaign, Monica Sweidel and Anita Cox will be available after both services on Sunday, January 26, to answer any and all questions you might have about pledging. We won't be making a formal presentation but will be there to listen and answer your questions. If you are unable to attend one of the sessions, you can email your questions to <u>stewardship@towsonuuc.org</u>. We hope to see you there on the 26th.

INVITATION TO 5-SESSION DRAWDOWN WORKSHOP

The 2017 book "Drawdown" talks about the 100 most effective solutions to combat carbon emissions to help curb global warming. All of the suggested solutions are currently available and have been vetted by scientists in those respective fields. The premise is that if we employ these techniques sufficiently, we can not only limit global warming, but can actually drawdown carbon from the atmosphere. It seems like a ray of hope and a way to make a difference individually and collectively.

The Green Sanctuary Committee of the Towson Unitarian Universalist Chuurch is hosting The Pachamama Alliance's Reversing Global Warming 5-session workshop, entitled "Drawdown Solutions: Getting Into Action" which will begin on Monday January 27th from 7 to about 9:30 pm. It is free and will be held in Room 1 on the lower level. The sessions will be held on the following dates: January 27, February 10, February 24, March 9 and April 6. The last session will include a potluck.

If you are interested in participating in this 5part "Drawdown Solutions: Getting into Action" please email us at this address: greensanctuary@towsonuuc.org a nd we will reserve you a spot. The workshop is free, but limited to approximately 20 people, so please reserve your spot right away, first come, first served.

This is a 5-part series that "supports you in finding your unique contribution to reversing global warming." The workshops will be led by Bobbie Miyasaki and Donna Eden, and will include videos of Paul Hawken and others, small and large group activities, handouts, and homework. We will begin by looking at the "100 Solutions for Reversing Global Warming", familiarizing ourselves more fully with them and each participant will selecting one for a plan of action. From there, we will discuss the 4 Levels of Action: Individual/Family & Friends; Community/Schools/Workplaces/ Municipal Gov't; Structural/Systemic; and Policy/Legislation. In the 3rd session, we will investigate local organizations already working on our chosen solutions. In the 4th session we will come up with our own concrete Action Plan to get involved with one's solution of interest, either individually or with a group. At the last meeting we will discuss our progress and accomplishments in achieving our plan of action to reverse global warming.

We hope you will join us!

Please note: You can attend this 5-session workshop even if you did not attend the initial "Reversing Global Warming: Introduction to Drawdown" workshop on November 8th. If you want, you can complete the Intro online, at <u>https://</u> <u>landing.pachamama.org/climate-change-</u> <u>solutions-course?</u>

ONGOING AND UPCOMING

MEMBERSHIP INFORMATION SESSIONS

Are you interested in deepening your relationship with Towson Unitarian Universalist Church?

The Membership Committee is offering one hour sessions on membership at TUUC, which include a brief discussion of UU theology and history and a light lunch. The sessions start at 12:45 PM.

If you are interested in attending any one of these, please RSVP to <u>member-</u>

<u>ship@towsonuuc.org</u>.

—March 8, 2020 —May 3, 2020

SUNDAY MORNING STRUCTURE TEAM

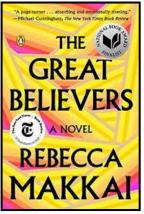
How does TUUC's current Sunday morning schedule work (or not work) for you and your family? We want to hear from you! The Sunday Morning Structure Team will be hosting a series of upcoming listening sessions to gather insight from our members and friends as we continue to refine our Sunday morning experience.

Please join us for one of the following gatherings:

Jan 26 - 12:45 PM - 2:00 PM (Childcare available; contact Joyce for arrangements.) Jan 27 - 7:30 PM - 9:00 PM Feb 16 - 12:45 PM - 2:00 PM Feb 23 - 12:45 PM - 2:00 PM Feb 24 - 7:30 PM - 9:00 PM

TUUC BOOK CLUB CHOICES FOR FEBRUARY AND MARCH

Wednesday, February 5 @ 7:30 downstairs <u>The Great Believers</u> by Rebecca Makkai (fiction, 2018, 431 pages)



The Great Believers is a page turner...among the first novels to chronicle the AIDS epidemic from its initial outbreak to the present --among the first to convey the terrors and tragedies of the epidemics early years as well as its course and repercussions...An absorbing

and emotionally riveting story about what it's

like to live during times of crisis-The New York Times Book Review. A striking, emotional journey... Makkai creates a powerful, unforgettable meditation, not on death, but rather on the power and gift of life. This novel will undoubtedly touch the hearts and minds of readers."—*Publishers Weekly* (starred review) Winner of the Stonewall Award and finalist for the Pulitzer prize and the National Book Award.

Wednesday, March 4 @ 7:30 downstairs <u>Circe</u> by Madeline Miller (fiction, 2018, 400 pages)



In the house of Helios, god of the sun and mightiest of the Titans, a daughter is born. But Circe is a strange child -- not powerful like her father, nor viciously alluring like her mother. Turning to the world of mortals for companionship, she discovers that she does possess power -- the power of witchcraft, which can transform rivals into monsters and menace the gods themselves.

"Circe,' [is] a bold and subversive retelling of the goddess's story that manages to be both epic and intimate in its scope, recasting the most infamous female figure from the Odyssey as a hero in her own right."—*Alexandra Alter, New Times*

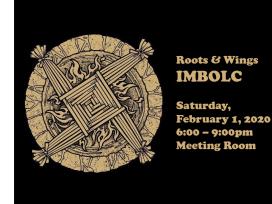
Named one of the 'Best Books of 2018' by NPR, The Washington Post, Buzzfeed, People, Time, Amazon,

Entertainment Weekly, Bustle, Newsweek,

the A.V. Club, Christian Science Monitor, Southern Living, and Refinery 29.

All our welcome. Contact Jane Selewach (listed in Breeze) if you have any questions.





USHER ATTENDANCE REPORT FOR SUNDAY, JANUARY 19, 2019

| Date | Time | Adults/Children | Choir | Lounge | Total | Visitors Total | Nursery |
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DENOMINATIONAL MINUTE

This week's Denominational Minute consists of a number of brief items.

ADULT WORKSHOP: "Living and Dying Well" January 25, 9:30am-12:00pm, led by the Rev. Ashley Burczak

Join the UU Church of Silver Spring for a half day workshop the morning of January 25. This class will cover some important things to know about the differences and overlaps between palliative care and hospice, as well as important things to consider to ensure good care for yourself or loved ones at the end of life.

This workshop will be led by the Rev. Ashley Burczak, Affiliated Community Minister at UUCSS and Chaplain with Jewish Social Services Agency Hospice of Montgomery County. Gathering will begin at 9:30am with light refreshments, with the workshop beginning promptly at 10:00am.

UUCSS is located at 10309 New Hampshire Ave in Silver Spring, with the parking lot entrance on Oaklawn Drive. New Hampshire Avenue is served by WMATA bus route K6 and by Montgomery County Ride On route 10. For questions or to register, please contact <u>layministers@uucss.org</u>.

CENTRAL EAST REGION WEBINAR ON STEWARDSHIP "Money Mythbusters"

This all day webinar will take place Saturday, January 25th from 9 AM to 5 PM with a 75 minute lunch break and 15 minute stretch breaks. More information about registration and cost is at <u>*Register Now*</u>

UU The Vote - Local Conference: Join River Road Unitarian Universalist Congregation in GOVOTE2020, a non-partisan campaign to bring voters to the polls on November 3 through letter writing and canvassing.

The kickoff for the initiative is January 26 at 12:30 PM at River Road.

For more information and/or to RSVP please contact Christine Ladd at <u>christine.ladd@mac.com</u> or Candy Kessel at ckessel36@gmail.com

From the UU College of Social Justice:

"Without community, there is no liberation." Audre Lorde Do you want to join people of faith and conscience from across the U.S. in taking action and practicing reflection? Are you seeking ways to offer grounded solidarity without reproducing oppressive practices? Have you ever gone to an immigration (ICE) check-in or court to support a person at risk of deportation? Is your congregation part of the New Sanctuary Movement, or talking about joining?

If you answered yes to any of those questions, join our e-course, Changing Systems, Changing Ourselves: Anti-racist practice for sanctuary, accompaniment, and resistance. This free interactive <u>e-course</u> will meet monthly and support groups in learning, reflecting, and acting for social change.

What's Next for the Denominational Minute?

There are a number of possibilities, but I would appreciate hearing your thoughts. What topic or topics would you be interesting in reading about? Would you like more information on UU Governance, or is some piece of UU History of interest.

I have a request to discuss UU Ministry for Animals, <u>https://uuam.org/wp/</u>, and there has been interest expressed in learning more about Unitarian Universalists for Justice in the Middle East.

https://www.uua.org/offices/organizations/ uujme I look forward to your suggestions.

finnerstephen@gmail.com



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Come to one hour sessions on membership at TUUC:

- Includes a brief discussion of UU theology and history
- A light lunch
- Sessions start at 12:45 PM
- RSVP to membership@towsonuuc.org
- Upcoming Dates -
 - March 8, 2020
 May 3, 2020

EARLY REGISTRATION OPEN!



Adult full-time registration is \$400 through March 15.

NEW! Registration Payment Plan:

With a \$50 down-

payment, the cost of registration can be paid over the course several months. Final payment must be received by February 29, 2020. When the final registration is complete, special consideration for dormitory lodging bundles, <u>financial aid</u> and <u>volunteer</u> <u>opportunities</u> will become available.

Register nowl





WHAT'S HAPPENING AT TUUC

Calendar is subject to change. Check the website calendar at <u>www.towsonuuc.org</u> for most current schedule.

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| 24-Jan | Friday | Child Dedication | Meeting Room | 3:00 PM |
| 26-Jan | Sunday | Sunday Services | Meeting Room & Lobby | 9:30 AM & 11:15 AM |
| 26-Jan | Sunday | Stewardship Q & A | Meeting Room | 10:30 AM & 12:15 PN |
| 26-Jan | Sunday | Sunday Morning Task Force | Room 6 | 12:45 PM |
| 27-Jan | Monday | Voice Lesson | Meeting Room | 4:00 PM |
| 27-Jan | Monday | Handel Choir | Meeting Room & Lobby | 6:00 PM |
| 27-Jan | Monday | Drawdown Workshop | Rooms 1 & 2 | 6:00 PM |
| 27-Jan | Monday | Mindful Meditation | Room 7 | 7:00 PM |
| 27-Jan | Monday | Sunday Morning Task Force | Room 6 | 7:30 PM |
| 28-Jan | Tuesday | Women's Lunch Bunch | Edenwald | 11:45 AM |
| 28-Jan | Tuesday | Soul Matters | Room 7 | 7:30 PM |
| 29-Jan | Wednesday | Voice Lesson | Meeting Room | 10:00 AM |
| 29-Jan | Wednesday | Wednesday Writers | Room 6 | 10:30 AM |
| 29-Jan | Wednesday | IMPROV | Meeting Room | 7:00 PM |
| 29-Jan | Wednesday | Al Anon | Room 6 | 7:00 PM |
| 30-Jan | Thursday | Choir Rehearsals | Meeting Room | 5:00, 6:30, 7:30 PM |
| 30-Jan | Thursday | Dragon's Way QiGong | Rooms 1,2,3 | 6:00 PM |
| 1-Feb | Saturday | Briskin Recitals | Meeting Room and Lobby | 3:00 PM |
| 1-Feb | Saturday | Roots and Wings - Imbolc | Meeting Room | 6:00 PM |
| 2-Feb | Sunday | Sunday Services | Meeting Room & Lobby | 9:30 AM & 11:15 AM |
| 2-Feb | Sunday | Green Sanctuary Meeting | Lower Level Lobby | 10:30 AM |
| 2-Feb | Sunday | Stewardship Brunch | Lobby and Kitchen | 12:30 PM |
| 3-Feb | Monday | Handel Choir | Meeting Room & Lobby | 6:00 PM |
| 3-Feb | Monday | Mindful Meditation | Room 7 | 7:00 PM |
| 4-Feb | Tuesday | Men's Reflection Group | Room 7 | 7:30 PM |
| 4-Feb | Tuesday | Women's Reflection Group | Room 1 | 7:30 PM |
| 5-Feb | Wednesday | Voice Lesson | Meeting Room | 10:00 AM |
| 5-Feb | Wednesday | Wednesday Writers | Room 6 | 10:30 AM |
| 5-Feb | Wednesday | IMPROV | Meeting Room | 7:00 PM |
| 5-Feb | Wednesday | Al Anon | Room 6 | 7:00 PM |
| 5-Feb | Wednesday | First Wednesday Book Group | Lobby | 7:30 PM |
| 6-Feb | Thursday | Choir Rehearsals | Meeting Room | 5:00, 6:30, 7:30 PM |
| 6-Feb | Thursday | Dragon's Way QiGong | Rooms 1,2,3 | 6:00 PM |
| 6-Feb | Thursday | Sierra Club Meeting | Room 6 | 7:00 PM |

INCLEMENT WEATHER AND EMERGENCY CLOSURE INFORMATION

In the event that severe weather or other emergencies compromise the safe use of TUUC facilities or property the church may cancel events or close to all activities. If the weather or the condition of the roads cause you to wonder whether we are proceeding with our programming as scheduled, please check for cancellations before you head out.

The Church Office and facilities are closed 9-5 on weekdays if Baltimore County Public Schools are closed.

KNOW BEFORE YOU GO! Inclement Weather Policy



Additional closure or cancellation information can be found in the following places:

- Outgoing Church Office Voicemail: (410) 825-6045
- <u>http://www.wbaltv.com/weather/closings</u>
- TUUC Website: <u>http://towsonuuc.org/</u>
- Church Facebook Group: <u>https://www.facebook.com/groups/51782871068/</u>
- TUUC Facebook Page: <u>https://www.facebook.com/TowsonUnitarianUniversalistChurch/</u>
- TUUC Bulletin board/listserv: Request joining bulletin by emailing <u>assistant@towsonuuc.org</u>

When the facility is closed no one is permitted on church grounds without the express permission of the Chairperson of the House and Grounds Council (houseandgrounds@towsonuuc.org)

We will do our utmost to update these sources as early and as quickly as possible. Please check multiple sources and use your best judgement. Event/activity/meeting leaders may choose to cancel events, activities or meetings even when the facility is not closed. For possible cancellations of a specific meeting or event please contact your event leader.

Event/activity/meeting leaders (Committee Chairs, Committee or Meeting Organizers, Board Members, and Staff, Etc.), it is your responsibility to notify your event, activity or meeting participants if you choose to cancel a session. Please also notify the Church Administrator (churchoffice@towsonuuc.org) and the Chairperson of the House and Grounds Council (Houseandgrounds@towsonuuc.org) if you do. It may affect our plans for snow removal.

Please use your best judgement and be safe!



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Minister

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