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January 31, 2020



The Threshold

**Towson Unitarian Universalist Church** 

A Welcoming Congregation

# **60 YEARS YOUNG AND COUNTING!**

### **UPCOMING SERVICES**

## 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?

### FEBRUARY 9, 2020 9:30 AND 11:15 AM How Happy We Have Been **Rev. Clare L. Petersberger**

In a poem about what she learned after fifty years of marriage, Linda Pastan confessed that she married her husband for all the wrong reasons. She muses that he did the same. In fact, she says, "How wrong we both were about each other." And yet, she concludes, "how happy we have been." Today we reflect on resiliency in long relationships that weather stress, heartbreak, hardship and change.

## **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: Memories of Home

There is an obvious meaning of the title, "Memories of Home," for the final session in

Creating Home. Yet, the title also raises the image of times when we change our physical home and must reestablish home in a new place. Sometimes a relocation of home includes a change of faith home. Activities in this session recap some of the themes explored in other sessions, while helping children identify what connects the old and new. Memories of both family home and faith home can be contained in physical objects, relationships, and rituals. A certain piece of furniture will travel to a new home and bring memories. Family relationships usually transfer to a new home. Rituals such as graces, Sunday night pizza, or bedtime routines can also carry over to a new home.

#### 2nd/3rd Grade Moral Tales: Working Together

While Unitarian Universalists value individual action, we also know that together we are stronger than the sum of our individual parts. Cooperation is a necessary skill for solving problems peacefully and equitably, and is a part of accepting and supporting one another. The value of cooperation is integrated within the Unitarian Universalist Principles, particularly the principles of the inherent worth and dignity of every person, acceptance of one another and encouragement of spiritual growth, the goal of world community, and respect for the interdependent web of all existence. In this session the children will hear and act out an Aesop's fable that uses a bundle of sticks to demonstrate the practical and spiritual strength gained by sticking together. They will also engage in a problem-solving role play, "What Would UU Do?" in which they seek cooperative solutions to dilemmas that they might encounter in their own young lives. Finally, there is a simple art activity in which they each make a bundle of sticks to

take home. Each stick in the bundle represents a child in the group, and each child's strengths will be honored as part of the whole, as in the story.

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

This class will be learning about groups that fight animal cruelty and make items to donate to a local group to support their efforts.

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

This group continues to have great discussions about dealing with sexuality, health, and values. This group meets at 11 am in Room 6.

#### 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/lgbtg/welcoming.

Transgender, Genderqueer, Non-Binary

### **CLARE'S COLLOQUY**

Our spiritual question for February is, "What does it mean to be a people of resilience?"

Resilience was not one of Aristotle's twelve virtues.

The word "resilience" was first most often used in material science and not philosophy or religion. It described how certain metals, when heated, lost their shape and when cooled, recovered their original form (or at least were not permanently deformed.)

In the 1970's, epidemiology applied the term "resilience" to studying why some people got ill and others did not. The goal was to offer guidance on ways to prevent illness.

Now, Psychology Today defines resilience as "that ineffable quality that allows some people to be knocked down by life and come back at least as strong as before. Rather than letting difficulties or failure overcome them and drain their resolve, they find a way to rise."

Yet, rarely, do we humans find a way to rise outside of our relationships with other human beings: family members, friends, neighbors, school, a spiritual community such as TUUC.

Our Soul Matters Circle introduction defines resilience in spiritual terms:

"....while resilience has a lot to do with what is inside us, it equally depends on what is between us. This is where our Soul Matters framing is so important: we are indeed a people of resilience. Forget solo act; think community choir! We survive our pain by having the strength to tell others about it. We find the courage to make our way through the dark only when we sense we are not alone. Internal and individual grit only gets us so far; empathy, assurance and love from others gets us the rest of the way. Resilience has everything to do with the water within which we swim and the web of connections that surround us. Resilient people arise from resilient relationships!"

This month, in worship, we will explore spiritual practices that develop individual and communal resilience.

One such spiritual practice is stewardship of our community. This is the time of year when we ask one another to make a financial pledge for the coming fiscal year. One way we live out our values in the world is to invest in them. We make an annual pledge to support our mission to deepen our ethical and spiritual lives as we work together for racial, social, and environmental justice. Resilient people arise from resilient relationships. May our resilient relationships create a resilient budget for TUUC.

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



### FROM THE BOARD

### 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 https://www.uulmmd.org/

Unitarian Universalists for Social Justice http://uusj.net/wp1/

Unitarian Universalist Ministry for Earth <a href="https://www.uumfe.org/">https://www.uumfe.org/</a>

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 con**- firmed 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

### STEWARDSHIP KICK OFF & SUNDAY BRUNCH This Sunday, February 2!



Egg casseroles, bagels, fruit and salad after BOTH SERVICES Come and celebrate our beloved TUUC and our

wonderful UU community

making new connections and reaffirming longtime friends.



### **IMBOLC: THE FIRE OF SPRING** This Saturday, February 1st

Join the Roots and Wings Chapter (RAWC) of the Covenant of Unitarian Universalist Pagans in celebrating Imbolc, the midpoint between the Winter Solstice and the Vernal Equinox.

Saturday, February 1st at TUUC 6 PM setup 6:30 PM ritual Please email Todd Robertson at <u>RAWC@towsonuuc.org</u> for more details.

### SOCIAL ACTION

The Social Action Committee will meet February 9 (second Sunday of month), shortly after the first Service (approx. 10:30 am). All are welcome to attend the meeting, to be held in the open area of the lower level. An agenda will be sent to members.

### **GREEN SANCTUARY COMMITTEE**

Sunday February 2nd: The Green Sanctuary Committee will hold its monthly meeting this Sunday, February 2, between services in the open area downstairs. All are welcome to join us!



# Sunday February 9th: Fair Trade Coffee, Tea and Candy Sale.

Organic, fair trade coffee, tea and chocolate for your pleasure and to do good. In addition to regular and decaf coffee and chocolate bars, we have chocolate minis. Your purchases support fair compensation for responsible small farmers and help to fund the fair trade coffee served during Sunday coffee hour.

### 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 next session of our Soul Matters Sharing Circle will begin on February 11. What is the Soul Matters Sharing Circle?

Each month, 10-12 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.

Twice a month, 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 ques-tions 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."

Please contact Rev. Clare

(<u>revclare@towsonuuc.org</u>) for more information and by February 5 if you would like to join the Sharing Circle.

### MUSIC

TUUC Drum Circle will meet between services on Sunday, February 16, in the Meeting Room. If you have a hand drum or small percussion, please bring it, otherwise just bring yourself! Youngsters who can focus on the rhythm for a half hour are welcome. We'll start about 10:40 AM. Join the rhythm!

## 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>. Override votes are 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.

UULM-supported 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.

# 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" Future sessions will be held on the following dates: February 10, February 24, March 9 and April 6. The last session will include a potluck.

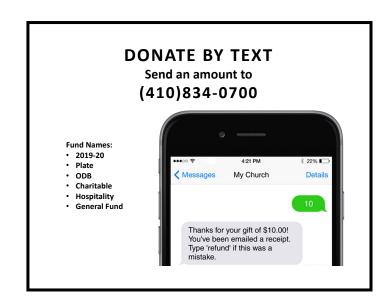
If you are interested in participating in this 5part "Drawdown Solutions: Getting into Action" please email us at this address: <u>greensanctuary@towsonuuc.org</u> a nd we will reserve you a spot. The workshop is free, but limited to approximately 20 people, so please reserve your spot right away, first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

# FEBRUARY ETHNIC LUNCH FEATURES INDIAN CUISINE!

Namaste! Join us for an Indian meal at 12:30 pm on Wednesday, February 19 at THE MINT LEAF, 115 Shawan Rd, Suite 8, Hunt Valley, (410) 517-3900. <u>www.themintleaf.us/</u>

All are welcome, but please respond by Friday, February 14 to <u>ethniclunch@towsonuuc.org</u> so we can reserve a table large enough to accommodate the group. Hope you can join us! Janet Kuperstein and Claudia Sumler

### 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> ship@towsonuuc.org.

—March 8, 2020 —May 3, 2020

### SUNDAY MORNING STRUCTURE TEAM

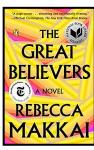
How does TUUC's current Sunday morning schedule work (or not work) for you and your family? We want to hear from you! The Sunday Morning Structure Team will be hosting a series of upcoming listening sessions to gather insight from our members and friends as we continue to refine our Sunday morning experience.

Please join us for one of the following gatherings: 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

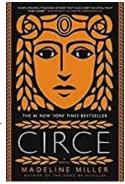


from its initial outbreak to the present--among the first to convey the terrors and tragedies of the epidemics early years as well as its course and repercussions...An absorbing and emotionally riveting story about what it's like to live during times of cri-

sis-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,

Feb 16 - 12:45 PM - 2:00 PM

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.

### **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 now!

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- 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



### Roots & Wings IMBOLC

Saturday, February 1, 2020 6:00 – 9:00pm Meeting Room

### **USHER ATTENDANCE REPORT FOR SUNDAY, JANUARY 26, 2019**

Date	Time	Adults/Children	Choir	Lounge	Total	Visitors Total	Nursery
1/26/2020	9:30 AM	28/0	15	2	45	Ļ	0
1/26/2020	11:15 AM	80/15	15	6	116	2	2

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# 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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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	10:30 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	Voice Lesson	Meeting Room	10:30 AM
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
7-Feb	Friday	Available Light	Meeting Room & Lobby	6:30 PM
9-Feb	Sunday	Sunday Services	Meeting Room & Lobby	9:30 AM & 11:15 AM
9-Feb	Sunday	Social Action Committee	Lower Level Lounge	10:30 AM
9-Feb	Sunday	Sunday Morning Task Force	Room 6	12:45 PM
10-Feb	Monday	Voice Lesson	Meeting Room	4:00 PM
10-Feb	Monday	Handel Choir	Meeting Room & Lobby	6:00 PM
10-Feb	Monday	Drawdown Workshop	Rooms 1, 2, 3	6:00 PM
10-Feb	Monday	Mindful Meditation	Room 7	7:00 PM
11-Feb	Tuesday	Aging Together	Lobby	1 PM
11-Feb	Tuesday	Soul Matters	Room 7	7:30 PM
12-Feb	Wednesday	Voice Lesson	Meeting Room	10:30 AM
12-Feb	Wednesday	Wednesday Writers	Room 6	10:30 AM
12-Feb	Wednesday	A-Team Meeting	Minister's Office	6:30 PM
12-Feb	Wednesday	IMPROV	Meeting Room	7:00 PM
12-Feb	Wednesday	Al Anon	Room 6	7:00 PM
12-Feb	Wednesday	Program Council	Lobby	7:30 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!



1710 Dulaney Valley Road Lutherville MD 21093-9705 Phone: 410-825-6045 Email: churchoffice@towsonuuc.org Website: www.towsonuuc.org Office Hours: Mon-Fri. 10AM—3PM

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Reverend Clare L. Petersberger <u>revclare@towsonuuc.org</u>

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