



What does it mean to be a people of commitment?

SUNDAY, MARCH 28, 2021 - 10:30 AM

REV. CLARE L. PETERSBERGER: COMMITTED TO ALLYSHIP

Five months ago, the former President ordered federal agencies and companies and universities with federal contracts to stop offering diversity training that addresses systemic racism and sexism. Businesses protested that this violated free speech and workplace equity. On his first day in office, our current President rescinded this order stating that it is the policy of the Federal Government to "pursue a comprehensive approach to advancing equity for all, including people of color and others who have been historically underserved, marginalized, and adversely affected by persistent poverty and inequality." However, the Harvard Business School reports that their studies show "You can't significantly affect bias in training that lasts an hour, a day, or a week." So what brings about lasting change when it comes to equity and justice? And what does it ask of us as people of faith?

EASTER SUNDAY, APRIL 4, 2021 - 10:30 AM: EASTER MEMORIES AND HOPES

This Easter Sunday we celebrate ancient and contemporary stories of memory and of hope. Who are you remembering today? What lessons did they teach you about faith, hope, and love? And how are you planning to pass on those lessons to future generations? *HEADS UP:* You are invited to wear your favorite Easter hat (or really any hat) and bring decorated eggs to your device in honor of the story of Ms. Eula Mae.

YOUTH RELIGIOUS EXPLORATION

Compassion comes from Latin words meaning "suffer with." The Second Unitarian Universalist Principle invites us to "Justice, equity and compassion in human relations." Compassion for others points us to our larger community. Compassion guides us to freeing others from suffering by putting our love into action. So, what's one of the ways our faith guides us into becoming a people of commitment? It tells us "Commit to treating the struggles of others as your own." Families with children in Kindergarten through 7th grades are invited to join us on Sunday morning at 9 AM as we learn about this.

SUNDAY, MARCH 28 SERVICE INFORMATION

For Sunday, March 28, please join us at 10:15 AM to be admitted prior to the service starting at 10:30. We will have break-out rooms for coffee and conversation following the service.

Zoom Link for service

Meeting ID: 930 9266 1881

Passcode: 290082



VESPERS SERVICE MONDAY, MARCH 29 7:00—7:30 PM

UPCOMING PROGRAMS AT TUUC

FROM THE TUUC NOMINATING COMMITTEE

Do you want to help lead the church into the future? Do you want to help build our Beloved Community? If so, the nominating committee is looking for a few good people. Positions available are Finance Head, Trustees-at-Large, House and Grounds Manager, and Nominating committee member. For details of the roles <u>click here</u>. As part of our commitment to being an inclusive congregation, there may be consideration for flexibility and innovation to accommodate anyone who is interested. If you would like to nominate a member with their consent, the deadline is 3/30/2021. Please email your response to the nominating committee at nominating@towsonuc.org.



SINGLES FELLOWSHIP HAPPY HOUR—SATURDAY, MARCH 27 AT 4 PM

The group will have a happy hour chat in virtual space. 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.

NO COFFEE WITH THE MINISTER ON TUESDAY, MARCH 30

There will be no Coffee with The Minister on Tuesday, March 30. Please join Rev. Clare at noon on Tuesday, April 6.

TUUC GREEN SANCTUARY: FAIR TRADE PRODUCTS SALE ON SATURDAY, APRIL 3

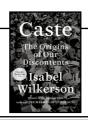
Just in time for Easter or your Spring Celebration, the Green Sanctuary Committee will be selling fair trade products on Saturday April 3rd from 11 AM to noon, on the TUUC front porch. In addition to the usual coffee, tea, nuts and chocolate bars, we have a new product: North Country Cayenne Hot Sauce! Give it a try!

SAVE THE DATE! TUUC'S FIRST ANNUAL VARIETY SHOW: SATURDAY, APRIL 10 AT 7 PM

Join us for and evening of surprises as TUUC members and friends perform an assortment of acts guaranteed to astound and amaze you! Comedy! Music! Dance! It's everything you could ask for in a 90 minute show for the whole family!

TUUC BOOK CLUB

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 7 AT 7:30 PM





Writing as a Spiritual Practice A VIRTUAL DROP-IN GROUP FRIDAY, APRIL 2 AT 1:00PM



TUUC POST AUCTION

SALE—<u>ITEMS STILL</u>

AVAILABLE!



Writing Your Spiritual
Autobiography
Friday, March 26
2:00 PM

STEWARDSHIP

Our Stewardship team members are in the process of calling 53 households – please accept the call. We'll answer your questions. 108 households have pledged – thank you!! We are in the wrap-up phase of the campaign. If you missed testimonials during recent Sunday services from Tony Bonta, Susan Riggs, Sue Royer, Steve Finner, Jane D'Ambrogi, Spice Kleinmann, or Nancy Caswell, these are posted on the church website under the Member Area. Reverend Clare has spoken about our vision for when we reopen and can gather safely in person, and that we envision a new assistive listening system for our meeting room, cameras, equipment and an upgrade to our internet so that we can stream services, hiring an architect to conduct a study and draw up plans for a main level accessible restroom, training for congregants in multi-culturalism and anti-racism, and scholarships for General Assembly in 2022. We have big dreams!

We invite you to give from your heart, and to be as generous as you can. Here are links to the <u>online form</u> and <u>printable form</u>. All pledge forms are due by March 31. This allows the church to plan next year's budget. Your pledge is for the fiscal year that starts on July 1, 2021.

#BelovedCommunity #Commitment































COMMON READ

NEXT MEETING:

MONDAY, APRIL 19: 7:30PM

CABIN FEVER

"COMPLIANCE" (2012) SATURDAY, MARCH 27: 4PM



WHAT'S HAPPENING AT TUUC

Calendar is subject to change. Check the website calendar <u>here</u> for most current schedule.

Click **here** for the schedule of ongoing regular TUUC virtual meetings.

26 Mar	Friday	Writing Your Spiritual Autobiography 2:00 PI	
27 Mar	Saturday	Singles Fellowship Group Happy Hour 4:00 PN	
27 Mar	Saturday	Cabin Fever: Compliance	4:00 PM
28 Mar	Sunday	Sunday Service and Coffee Hour	10:30 AM
28 Mar	Sunday	Widening the Circle	1:00 PM
29 Mar	Monday	Vespers	7:00 PM
1 Apr	Thursday	Virtual Choir Rehearsal	7:30 PM
2 Apr	Friday	Writing as a Spiritual Practice	1:00 PM
3 Apr	Saturday	Fair Trade Sale	11:00 AM

AMAZON SMILE QUARTERLY DONATION: \$117.67

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MORE INFORMATION ON THE TUUC WEBSITE HERE



TECHNICAL USHERS NEEDED

We are recruiting additional technical ushers. We want to rotate in one or two new ushers to give others a break. You should be comfortable with Zoom and technology and be willing to attend a rehearsal on Thursday at 6 pm as well as join the Zoom meeting 20 minutes early on Sunday morning. To volunteer, please contact our Church Administrator at churchoffice@towsonuuc.org.

Don't Work Sick Don't School Sick Don't Church Sick

ZOOM SUNDAY SERVICE ATTENDANCE REPORT

(Does not reflect actual number of people watching)

Date	Time	Adults/Children
03/21/2021	10:30 AM	68