



SUNDAY, OCTOBER 31, 2021 - 10:30 AM

REV. CLARE L. PETERSBERGER, JOYCE DUNCAN, FAMILIES IN OUR YRE MINISTRY: *IN MEMORY OF THOSE WHOM WE LOVE AND WHO LOVED US*

These words are inscribed in our Memorial Garden. The tense of “love” and “loved” were intentionally chosen. As conventional wisdom goes, “Death ends a life. It does not end a relationship.” This is the time of year when communities intentionally remembered the dead and their ongoing love for them. Today we continue this tradition of cultivating our relationship with loved ones who have died.

YOUTH RELIGIOUS EXPLORATION

We hope everyone has a wonderful, spooky Halloween this Sunday, with lots of treats and very few tricks. To allow families plenty of time for costume or party preparation, we have not planned a family gathering for this Sunday. We look forward to seeing you instead on November 14 and/or 21 at TUUC. Here is the link to register for one those dates:

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/20f0c48a9a628a02-family>

YOUNG ADULTS

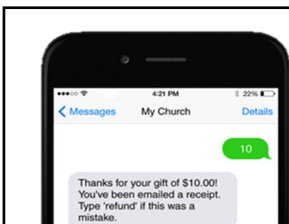
I have been happy to meet some young adults new to TUUC and to Baltimore in the last few breakout rooms after the Sunday morning services. If you are 18-35 (the UUA definition of young adult) and interested in getting to know others at TUUC, you are invited to join us on Wed. November 3 at 7:30 pm; see TUUC calendar for the link. Please come with any ideas you have for fostering community. Contact Joyce at tuucdre@towsonuuc.org if you plan to attend or if you can't attend but would like to participate in future events.

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 31 SERVICE INFORMATION

For Sunday, October 31, 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: <https://uuma.zoom.us/j/92650778227?pwd=Y1JESFBpcmFQSGp1a0NlZEdTL3k2QT09>

Meeting ID: 926 5077 8227 Passcode: 903593



DONATE BY TEXT

Send an amount to
(410)834-0700

PASSING THE PLATE

DONATE TO TUUC VIA PAYPAL, TEXT, OR BREEZE

MORE INFORMATION ON THE TUUC WEBSITE [HERE](#)

UPCOMING PROGRAMS AND EVENTS AT TOWSON UUC

TUUC GALLERY UNICORN

In optimistic hope that we will all be together, physically, in the TUUC building in 2022, Gallery Unicorn is seeking volunteers. Gallery Unicorn is an art gallery that lives on the walls of the meeting room at TUUC. In pre-COVID times, Gallery Unicorn sponsored a rotating, year-round display of art. All proceeds from Gallery Unicorn are donated to the church. GU volunteers assist with setting up and taking down the exhibitions, setting up refreshments during exhibit opening receptions, and publicity. If you are interested in volunteering with Gallery Unicorn, please contact Lisa Lubomski at gallerunicorn@towsonuuc.org.

OUTDOOR SAMHAIN RITUAL, OCTOBER 31 FROM 5-6 PM AT TUUC (THOREAU MEADOW)

Samhain is the pagan new year, when the veil between the worlds of the living and the non-living is thinnest. Traditionally, adherents of earth-centered faith traditions have celebrated this holiday by honoring ancestors of both body and spirit. In this in-person ritual, we will gather to commemorate those in our lives who have passed through the veil, particularly because of the pandemic. Registration is required and will be limited to 20 people. The ritual will be outside. So please dress appropriately and bring a chair and a flashlight. All participants will be asked to wear a mask. Please also feel free to bring photos and memorabilia of your ancestors in body and spirit. There will be altars set up for these mementos. You are also welcome to bring drums or instruments. In case of rain, the event will be cancelled. Please [click here](#) to register.

TUUC DRUM CIRCLE TO MEET OUTDOORS—SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 6

Join the rhythm on Saturday, November 6th outside on the TUUC grounds! We'll meet from 4:00 to 5:00 in the TUUC parking lot. Participants must RSVP to Tracy at music@towsonuuc.org, and must be masked during the event. Limited to 10 people. Bring a hand drum if you have one, but there will be a few available instruments.

ETHNIC LUNCH—WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 17 AT LA TAVERNA ECUATORIANA

Fall weather is upon us and although we may still have warm sunny days in November, Janet and I have decided it is time to move Ethnic Lunch inside. Returning to our original list from 2020, our next lunch will be at La Taverna Ecuatoriana for an Ecuadorian meal. La Taverna is small but tables are spaced and when I checked it out in September to make sure it was still open, my friend and I were the only customers there. The food is good with lots of seafood choices.

La Taverna Ecuatoriana is in Greektown, 300 Oldham Street, 410-501-8020. <https://la-taverna-ecuatoriana-restaurant.business.site/>

Lunch will be at 12:30, Wednesday November 17

All are welcome, but please respond by Monday, November 15 to ethniclunch@towsonuuc.org so we will know how many tables to hold.

Hope you can join us! -Janet Kuperstein and Claudia Sumler

SOCIAL ACTION

DO YOU KNOW ABOUT THIS PARTNER WE SUPPORT?

For October *and the first two weeks of November*, we highlight the TUUC Community Partner, **Earl's Place**, which, along with Prospect Place are programs of Cornerstone Community Housing (CCH).

CCH is dedicated to helping men experiencing homelessness rebuild their lives and to changing attitudes toward homelessness through outreach and education. Earl's Place, which is a stepping stone on the way to attaining a permanent home, houses 17 men at a time. So far this year, 32 men have found a safe place to rebuild their lives at Earl's Place. Twelve moved to permanent housing, one moved with family, and unfortunately two were not successful. The others continue to work toward their goals.

Prospect Place just completed six years of providing Housing First permanent housing to men who were chronically homeless when they moved in. Five of the original 12 residents have been housed since 2015.

The support of organizations like TUUC help provide the steady income necessary to provide hope, help and home to men experiencing homelessness. To learn more about Cornerstone Community Housing (Earl's Place), go to their website, <http://www.cchbaltimore.org/>.

At the November 14 service, Sheila Helgerson, director of Earl's Place, will speak briefly about it. The entire (non-pledge) offertory plate will be donated to Earl's Place. To contribute to Earl's Place, use one of these methods:

1. Donate as you normally do, for the **November 14** Service,
2. Send a check payable to TUUC to 1710 Dulaney Valley Rd. Lutherville MD 21093 and specify "CCH" or "Earl's Place" on the memo line, or,
3. Text your donation to TUUC (410-834-0700) for SAC (Social Action Committee), ex: text "30 SAC." Thank you for your generosity.

ASSISTANCE CENTER OF TOWSON CHURCHES (ACTC) FOOD DONATIONS

Nonperishable food can be dropped off at these locations:

- Mondays, 12 to 2 PM: Ascension Lutheran Church parking lot (7601 York Rd.)
- Thursdays, 12 to 2 PM: Trinity Episcopal Church parking lot (120 Allegheny Ave.)
- Thursdays, 5 to 6 PM: Valley Baptist Church parking lot (1401 York Rd.)

OCTOBER IS A MONTH WE DONATE MONEY FOR CASSEROLES

This October is a month with 5 Saturdays (which usually happens 4 times a year), so TUUC has pledged to donate 50 casseroles (\$10 per casserole) to Our Daily Bread. This program serves food to the hungry 365 days a year. *Please give what you can.* To donate to Our Daily Bread, use one of these methods:

- Text your donation to TUUC (410-834-0700) for example: text "20 ODB."
- Send a check payable to TUUC to 1710 Dulaney Valley Rd. Lutherville, MD 21093 and specify "ODB" on the memo line.

TO TUUC FROM THE UUSC

In recognition of your outstanding support during our recent fiscal year (July 1, 2020—June 30, 2021), UUSC is delighted to recognize your congregation with the Creating Justice Banner Society Award. Thank you so much for joining with UUSC and our grassroots partners as we advance human rights, dismantle systems of oppression, and uplift the inherent worth and dignity of all people. In Gratitude, Rev Mary Katherine Morn, President and CEO



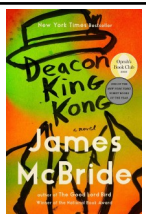
AMAZON SMILE QUARTERLY DONATION: \$98.21

Thank you for choosing Towson UUC as your preferred charity with [Amazon Smile!](#) Every time you use the site with TUUC listed as your preferred charity, Amazon donates a small amount (0.5%) from your purchase to our church.



TUUC BOOK CLUB

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 3
7:30 PM



CABIN FEVER

CATCH 22 (1970)
SATURDAY, OCTOBER 30: 4PM



ONLINE CONTRIBUTIONS

When making your contributions online, please be sure to designate your donation to the correct fund by using the dropdown arrow. Click on the fund you wish to contribute to and write the entity (ex: ODB) in the note area for clarification.

A screenshot of the online contribution form. At the top, it says 'Give to Towson Unitarian Universalist Church' and '\$ 0.00'. Below this are three dropdown menus: 'Give to Social Action Collection', 'Give this One Time', and 'Give by Credit/Debit Card'. Each dropdown menu has a red circle around it. A blue 'Continue' button is at the bottom.

A screenshot of the dropdown menu options for the online contribution form. The options listed are: 'Give to Restricted Fund', 'Give to 2021-2022 Stewardship Campaign', 'Give to Building Fund', 'Give to General Fund', 'Give to Green Products', 'Give to Kate Venables Music Fund', 'Give to Memorial Garden', 'Give to ODB Casseroles', 'Give to Plate Collection', 'Give to Religious Education Registration', 'Give to Restricted Fund', and 'Give to Social Action Collection'. A red arrow points from the 'Give to Restricted Fund' option in this menu to the dropdown menu in the main form screenshot.

TUUC AUCTION—SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 20



It's time to *Gather Our Gifts!*

Step #1 for a successful 2021 Auction – More donations, please!!

We'll accept donations right up until Auction day but it would be so helpful if you can enter your donations now. Donating now means more exposure time on BidBeacon and less stress for your volunteer committee. Here are easy links to give you some ideas and to make your donation:

What Can I Donate: [What Can I Donate?](#)

Instructions: [Instructions](#)

Donation Form: [Donation Form](#)

And we can simply copy over donations from last year if you want to repeat an event or re-list an item that didn't sell. Just email us at auctiondonations@towsonuuc.org

Step #2 for a successful 2021 Auction – Let the bidding begin!!

On-line bidding opened October 18. Simply visit [Get With The Program](#) if you need to activate your account on *BidBeacon*. Then you'll be all set to look over the wonderful donations already received – how about an afternoon English tea, a hike and picnic in Lake Roland park, or a winter craft beer sampler -- bid on those of interest, and watch for new donations as they come in.

If you're new to BidBeacon or would just like a refresher on how it works, join in one of the upcoming Zoom coaching sessions hosted by Auction committee members. See box below.

The Auction Committee is working hard to make this year's Auction a big success and lots of fun. Please do your part! Make a donation, place a bid, let's Gather Our Gifts! in support of TUUC.

Gratefully, Your 2021 Auction Committee

Bid Beacon Coaching Sessions Listed Below (check the church calendar for Zoom link):

Saturday 11/6, 10 AM
Monday 11/8, 7 PM
Tuesday 11/16, 7 PM
Saturday 11/20, 1 PM

WHAT'S HAPPENING AT TUUC

Calendar is subject to change. Check the website calendar [here](#) for most current schedule. Click [here](#) for the schedule of ongoing regular TUUC virtual meetings.

29 Oct	Friday	Writing as a Spiritual Practice	1:00 PM
29 Oct	Friday	Spiritual Autobiography	7:30 PM
30 Oct	Saturday	Cabin Fever—Catch-22	4:00 PM
31 Oct	Sunday	Sunday Service and Coffee Hour	10:30 AM
31 Oct	Sunday	Our Journey Together	3:00 PM
2 Nov	Tuesday	Virtual Lunch with the Minister	12:00 PM
2 Nov	Tuesday	Men's Reflection Group	7:30 PM
2 Nov	Tuesday	Women's Group Meeting	7:30 PM
3 Nov	Wednesday	Book Club	7:30 PM
3 Nov	Wednesday	Emerging and Young Adults	7:30 PM
4 Nov	Thursday	TUUC Choir Rehearsal	7:30 PM
5 Nov	Friday	YRUU Bonfire	7:00 PM
6 Nov	Saturday	Auction Coaching Session	10:00 AM
6 Nov	Saturday	Drum Circle	4:00 PM



SEEKING TECHNICAL USHERS—WE NEED YOUR HELP!

Two of our regular technical ushers have moved from the area. We need additional volunteers to give the regulars a break. The most pressing need is for people who are comfortable with Powerpoint (or Keynote) and have a very good internet connection – to be the A/V usher once a month on Sunday morning. Rehearsals are Thursdays at 6 PM. Please contact churchoffice@towsonuuc.org for additional information or to volunteer.

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
10/24/2021	10:30 AM	57