

**SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 21, 2021 - 10:30 AM**

**DR. SHARYN RHODES: "THE PISCATAWAY-CONOY TRIBE—WHO THEY WERE, WHO THEY ARE AND WHY WE SHOULD CARE"**

We read a Territorial Acknowledgment every Sunday at the beginning of our service admitting that our Church is on unceded, stolen land that once was occupied by the Piscataway tribe. Who were these people? What can be learned from the 400-year journey they have traveled that affects us to this day?

### **YOUTH RELIGIOUS EXPLORATION**

Families are invited to join us again in the TUUC picnic grove for a family gathering at 2 pm. We will finish our discussion of the UU principles by learning about the proposed 8th principle. The children's version of this is: we work for a society without racism and other oppressions. We hope to see you for our last meeting in November; we will NOT meet on Nov. 28 due to Thanksgiving weekend. Please stay tuned for details of activities in December, which will take into account colder weather and winter holidays.

### **SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 21 SERVICE INFORMATION**

For Sunday, November 21, 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://us02web.zoom.us/j/89984439900?pwd=TWlZTldwYkVlTktvU1hYWnZGSkR0dz09>

**Meeting ID:** 899 8443 9900    **Passcode:** 421137

### **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.



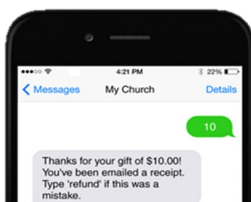
### **PASSING THE PLATE**

#### **DONATE BY TEXT**

Send an amount to  
**(410) 834-0700**

**DONATE TO TUUC VIA PAYPAL, TEXT, OR BREEZE**

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



## TUUC AUCTION—SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 20

Our TUUC LIVE Auction night is now just ONE DAY AWAY!! Are you ready? Have you set up your *BidBeacon* account and started to look at, and maybe bid on, some of the wonderful donations we've received? We've already raised more than \$7000 from members and friends bidding on this year's donations. To set up your account visit [Get With The Program](#)



One more coaching session is scheduled for Saturday, Nov. 20 at 1 PM if you need a little last-minute help. Check the church calendar for the Zoom link.

Among the items you can bid on are three important "Fund-A-Need" opportunities to help offset expenses that support our safe re-opening for worship and other activities. Please consider lending your support to the initiatives outlined below. You'll find them on *BidBeacon*; click on Cash Donations, for complete descriptions and to place your bid.

- 15 donations of \$40 for "Improved Ventilation" will help offset the cost of our new system-wide ionization units which make our furnace filters more effective against pathogens plus other clean air measures still being evaluated.
- 15 donations of \$45 to keep the Piano well-maintained and in-tune. It is soon due for a major "re-voicing and regulation", a considerable expense.
- 15 donations of \$50 will help implement a "Multiplatform Technology" capability for live-streaming services and other group activities so all can virtually attend and participate even if capacity is still limited, or they cannot be physically present.

While you're on BidBeacon don't forget to get your Raffle tickets. Look at the Raffle "poster" on the next page to see the wonderful gift cards and certificates donated for the Raffle. Neil Porter will once again be our Raffle Master drawing the names of winners while you watch. Raffle sales close at 7:30 PM on Auction night so Neil can get the last slips into the big bowl before the first drawing so it's a big help if you buy your tickets now. And remember, you don't have to "attend" to win a raffle prize.

Our Auction night Zoom party will feature 12 great donations for LIVE bidding. [Here's a link to the all-church invitation sent out on Nov. 15 that will give you all the details](#). If you know you cannot attend or access *BidBeacon* on Auction night to bid on Live Items, we can arrange a proxy bidder for you. Just send an email to [auktion@towsonuuc.org](mailto:auktion@towsonuuc.org) letting us know what item you would like to bid on and the maximum amount for your bid.

The Auction Committee has been working hard to make this year's Auction a big success and lots of fun. Please do your part! Place some bids, buy raffle tickets, get ready for the LIVE auction night. **We'll see you at the party! It's time to *Gather Our Gifts!*** in support of TUUC.

Gratefully,

*Your 2021 Auction Committee*

# TUUC AUCTION



**So many fabulous prizes and a great investment in TUUC!**

**Tickets on sale now and before 7:30 on Auction Evening 11/20**

Buy your tickets on Bid Beacon - Winners drawn on Auction Evening  
*You don't have to be present to win!*

## RAFFLE PRIZES\*

*Look at this fabulous list of gift cards/certificates, and more may be added!*

\$20 Heart in Hand Bread (2) (baker is TUUCer Jane Chase)

\$25 Giant Food (4)

\$25 (1) and \$50 (1) MOM'S organic market

\$50 Pappas Restaurant in Cockeysville

\$50 Amazon (4)

\$50 Trader Joe's (3)

\$50 BoneFish Grill

\$50 Home Depot

\$50 Wegmans

\$50 Orchard Market & Café (2)

\$100 Gertrude's Restaurant at the BMA

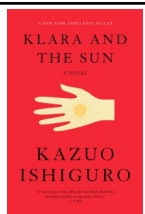
\* Thanks to our generous raffle prize donors:

Ann Beezley, Jason Braspennickx, Marilyn Carlisle, Nancy Caswell,  
Aynsley Hamel, Spice Kleinmann, Sharyn Rhodes & Tom Pokorny,  
Claudia Sumler, Nancy Mears, Ben & Sue Proctor, Karin Symonds,  
and the TUUC Social Action Committee

## TUUC BOOK CLUB

**WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 1**

**7:30 PM**



## CABIN FEVER

**F.T.A. (1972)**

**SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 20: 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.

Give to Towson Unitarian Universalist Church

**\$ 0.00**

Give to 2021-2022 Stewardship Campaign

Add Gift to Another Fund

Give this One Time

Give by Credit/Debit Card

Give to Towson Unitarian Universalist Church

**\$ 0.00**

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

Give to Social Action Collection

## UPCOMING PROGRAMS AND EVENTS AT TOWSON UUC

### WELCOME ARKADY THOMPSON TO THE TUUC STAFF TEAM!

We are pleased to welcome Arkady Thompson to the TUUC Staff Team as our part time Bookkeeper. Arkady began this position on November 1. Arkady will be working remotely as she lives with her husband and two young children in NJ. She came highly recommended by the President of the Unitarian Universalist Church of the South Jersey Shore where she also works part time as their bookkeeper. She has further experience with UU congregations as an Office Administrator for the Unitarian Universalist Fellowship of Lower Bucks in PA and as an Office Assistant for the Unitarian Universalist Fellowship of Princeton, NJ.

Arkady is looking forward to getting to know our congregation (albeit remotely!) Our Church Administrator, Kai Aiyetoro, is training her in our current bookkeeping practices. If you have questions about your pledge or donation, you may reach Arkady at [bookkeeper@towsonuuc.org](mailto:bookkeeper@towsonuuc.org). Welcome, Arkady! ---Rev. Clare

### GREEN SANCTUARY FAIR TRADE SALE— NOVEMBER 20 AT 11 AM—NOON ON TUUC PORCH

Just in time for Thanksgiving, here's your chance to stock up on fair trade coffee, tea, chocolate, and nuts! They make great hostess gifts if you are doing holiday visits!

### SINGLES FELLOWSHIP GROUP VIRTUAL GET-TOGETHER—SAT, NOVEMBER 27 AT 7 PM

The group will have a gathering for conversation in virtual space. We offer an atmosphere for fellowship and friendship among TUUC single adults. We range in age from the 60's through the 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.

### TUUC BLOOD DRIVE— SATURDAY, DECEMBER 11 FROM 9 AM TO 2 PM

Working with the American Red Cross, we've scheduled Saturday, December 11th, 2021 for the next TUUC Blood Drive. There is a critical need for blood right now but we are also in a different time with COVID-19 disease prevention. **We at TUUC strongly encourage anyone that has ANY reservation about giving blood at this time for ANY reason to please sit this one out.** We will get past this and will have more blood drives in the future for you to participate in. Please only join us on December 11th, if you are healthy and have no concerns about donating. To sign up for an appointment time between 9:00 AM and 2:00 PM please use this link: <https://www.redcrossblood.org/give.html/drive-results?zipSponsor=TOWSONUUCHURCH>

OR email Clare Flynn-Avallone with your preferred times. Give the Gift of Life - Give Blood!

### THIRD SATURDAY WORK PARTY

**SAT, NOVEMBER 20 FROM 9 AM TO 12 PM**

**Outdoor Focus:** Winter Prep & Ivy Removal (rain or shine)

**General Outdoor Activities:** Weeding, Forestry Maintenance,  
Parking Lot Cleaning

**Indoor Focus:** Getting Ready for Return to In-Person Services



## SOCIAL ACTION

### THANKSGIVING BASKET PROJECT

Most of us are fortunate enough to have plenty of food, but, especially during the pandemic, there are many families who face a bleak Thanksgiving. As we did last year, TUUC is asking only for monetary donations, rather than your purchasing food baskets. A \$25 donation will purchase a basket. Giving \$10 extra would also cover the cost of a turkey. The ACTC is hoping that each church will be able to donate enough money for at least 50 baskets.

To donate, please either:

- a. Send a check payable to TUUC to 1710 Dulaney Valley Rd. Lutherville MD 21093. Please specify "Thanksgiving Basket" or "ACTC" on the memo line, or,
- b. Text your donation to TUUC (410-834-0700) ex: text "30 ACTC."

To Volunteer, as in the past, Trinity Episcopal Church will host this event at 120 Allegheny Ave in Towson. ACTC's website: <http://www.actconline.info/>

If You Need Food Assistance or Other Services, visit this page: <https://www.actconline.info/actc-services/>

### 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.)

### EARL'S PLACE

Earl's Place, 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. 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), visit their website: <http://www.cchbaltimore.org/>

To Donate:

- a. Send a check payable to TUUC and send to 1710 Dulaney Valley Rd. Lutherville MD 21093 and specify "Earl's Place" or "CCH" on the memo line
- b. Text your donation to TUUC (410-834-0700 ) for SAC Social Action Collection ex: text "30 SAC."
- c. **Donate on Breeze: From the top of the first page of the website select "donate" and choose "EP" on the Drop-down list.**

# 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.

19 Nov	Friday	Writing as a Spiritual Practice	1:00 PM
20 Nov	Saturday	Third Saturday Work Party	9:00 AM
20 Nov	Saturday	Green Sanctuary Fair Trade Sale	11:00 AM
20 Nov	Saturday	Auction Coaching Session	1:00 PM
20 Nov	Saturday	Cabin Fever—F.T.A.	4:00 PM
20 Nov	Saturday	TUUC Annual Auction	7:00 PM
21 Nov	Sunday	Sunday Service and Coffee Hour	10:30 AM
21 Nov	Sunday	Family Gatherings—YRE Program	2:00 PM
23 Nov	Tuesday	Virtual Lunch with the Minister	12:00 PM
23 Nov	Tuesday	Soul Matters Sharing Circles	7:30 PM
27 Nov	Saturday	Cabin Fever—The Fly	4:00 PM
27 Nov	Saturday	Singles Fellowship Group	7:00 PM
28 Nov	Sunday	Sunday Service and Coffee Hour	10:30 AM
28 Nov	Sunday	TUUC Listening Session with the Board	12:00 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](mailto: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
11/14/2021	10:30 AM	66