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**SUNDAY, JUNE 5, 2022 - 10:30 AM**

**REV. CLARE L. PETERSBERGER: "A SENSE OF BLESSING"**

When have you had a sense of blessing? Where did it come from? Who were you with? What did you see, taste, touch, hear, or smell? There are blessings that are always there and those which are fleeting and eventually leave us. What blessings need to be noticed in your life before they say goodbye?

**SUNDAY, JUNE 5 ONLINE SERVICE INFORMATION**

For those who have not registered for in-person worship and who plan to join us on Zoom this Sunday, please see below for the Zoom information.

Zoom Link: <https://zoom.us/j/98005904552?pwd=SWcyM1NrK1h0SnlOejJYTDJKZlFFZz09>

Meeting ID: 980 0590 4552

Passcode: 142644

**YOUTH RELIGIOUS EXPLORATION**

Children ages 6 to 12 are invited to join us for Sundays in June at 10:30 am for outdoor learning and fun with a UU slant. Older kids and teens are welcome as assistants. We start off this Sunday downstairs in the open area and then will proceed to the Thoreau meadow for a scavenger, followed by a story of our Unitarian ancestor Henry David Thoreau. Please dress for the weather as we plan to be outside. Nursery care is provided in Room 5 for children five and under.

**CELEBRATION OF LIFE FOR DR. WILLIAM REICHEL—SATURDAY, JUNE 11 AT 1 PM**

A celebration of life for Dr. William Reichel, who died May 14, 2021, will be held on Saturday, June 11th at 1 PM with an outdoor reception to follow. Bill was a TUUC member for over 30 years who served as a greeter, an active member of our Lay Worship Associates, and as a member of the Welcoming Congregation Committee and our 2020 Welcome Renewal Team. Bill had a life-long interest in religion and social justice. Bill's legacy also includes his family and his work as a doctor, mentor, ethicist, and author. We look forward to gathering to celebrate Bill's thoughtful, inclusive, and accomplished life of service. ---Rev. Clare



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## CLARE'S COLLOQUY

"The sweet June days are come again; the birds are on the wing..." Samuel Longfellow

In these sweet June days, we are expecting the installation of our new church sign with its lighted Pride flag chalice to signal that ours is a community of welcome for those with myriad identities and orientations and truths---not just in June---but every day.

In these sweet June days, the staff will be taking the Monday after Juneteenth as a holiday. For the first time, and thanks to the organizing by Black elders over decades, we are recognizing that Juneteenth is not just an African American holiday celebrating the emancipation of enslaved people after the Civil War. It is a national American holiday of freedom and liberation.

In these sweet June days, we honor fathers of all kinds and, in the words of Rev. Evin Carvill-Ziemer, the "radical idea that men have the full capacity to nurture."

In these sweet June days, here in Maryland, we celebrate the longest day of the year---the summer solstice---and the longest hours of sunlight that literally brighten our days.

Yet, in these sweet June days, we are still processing pain, grief, anger and despair from all the bad, difficult, irrational news in our country and our world and seeking a better way. Some will be participating in The March For Our Lives (against gun violence) from 10 a.m. – noon in Washington, DC on June 11<sup>th</sup>. Others will be participating in vigils for reproductive justice when the Supreme Court announces its ruling on Roe V. Wade. And, through the Unitarian Universalist Service Committee, we continue to support the people in Ukraine.

So that we do not have to celebrate, grieve, and act alone, we gather in religious community. In these sweet June days, we will hold our Annual Congregational Meeting at noon on June 12th both in the Meeting Room and in Zoom. We will elect new leadership, thank outgoing leaders, vote on our annual budget, and vote on a resolution to adopt the 8<sup>th</sup> Principle for our congregation:

*"We, the member congregations of the Unitarian Universalist Association, covenant to affirm and promote: journeying toward spiritual wholeness by working to build a diverse multicultural Beloved Community by our actions that accountably dismantle racism and other oppressions in ourselves and our institutions."*

This principle supports our congregation's mission "to deepen our ethical and spiritual lives by working for racial, social, and environmental justice."

In the sweet June days come again, when the birds are on the wing, may we support one another through the challenges we face in our own lives and in the world. May we be, in the words of John O'Donohue, "compassionate of heart, clear in word, gracious in awareness, courageous in thought, and generous in love."

## UPCOMING PROGRAMS AND EVENTS AT TOWSON UUC

### **TUUC BLOOD DRIVE—TUESDAY, JUNE 7**

Working with the American Red Cross, we've scheduled Tuesday, June 7th, 2022 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 June 7th, if you are healthy and have no concerns about donating. To sign up for an appointment time between 10:30am-4:00pm please use [this link](#) OR email Clare Flynn-Avallone with your preferred times. Give the Gift of Life - Give Blood!

### **CALL TO THE ANNUAL CONGREGATIONAL MEETING—SUNDAY, JUNE 12 AT 12 PM**

Did you see the Call to the Annual Meeting? Sue Royer sent the call via email on May 27. The meeting will be held on June 12, 2022 at 12 noon, both in person at TUUC and on Zoom.

These items will require a congregational vote:

- 1) The Rules of Procedure for this meeting
- 2) Resolution: Reaffirmation of Votes
- 3) The Election of Officers
- 4) Approval of the Operating Budget for Fiscal Year 2022–2023
- 5) Resolution to Adopt the 8<sup>th</sup> Principle

Amendments must be submitted in writing to Board Secretary Susan Riggs by Monday, June 6 at 5 pm. Her email is [secretary@towsonuuc.org](mailto:secretary@towsonuuc.org). Amendments will not be accepted from the floor during the meeting. Members who are unable to attend may find another member to serve as their proxy. Please notify Board Secretary Susan Riggs if you need a proxy or can serve as a proxy.

See you at the meeting!

### **JUNE ETHNIC LUNCH—WEDNESDAY, JUNE 15 AT 12:30 PM AT YASOU GREEK BISTRO**

June 15 will be the last Ethnic Lunch before we take a summer break. We'll be gathering at Yasou Greek Bistro, a Greek restaurant, 11121 York Road, in Cockeysville, [www.yasougreekbistro.com](http://www.yasougreekbistro.com). Lunch will be at 12:30 PM, Wednesday June 15.

All are welcome, but we will need to make reservations. Please respond by Sunday, June 12 to [ethniclunch@towsonuuc.org](mailto:ethniclunch@towsonuuc.org) so we can contact the restaurant.

*- Janet Kuperstein and Claudia Sumler*

### **NURSERY CARE PROVIDERS NEEDED**

TUUC is looking for qualified nursery care providers to work in our Nursery on Sunday mornings and occasional other events. Please contact Joyce Duncan at [tuucdre@towsonuuc.org](mailto:tuucdre@towsonuuc.org) if you would like more details or to learn how to apply for this position.



## UUA GENERAL ASSEMBLY MULTIPLATFORM / PORTLAND • 2022

The theme for this year's GA is Meet the Moment: Reimagining Radical Faith. The Board has approved the following Members to be delegates to GA: Nancy Caswell, Ann Beezley, Wendell Finner, and Sue Royer. One delegate position remains available. Rev. Clare has delegate status on her own.

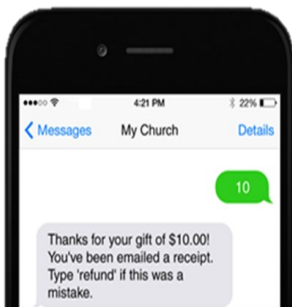
Virtual registration costs \$275. The suggested donation for attending only the business sessions (as a delegate) is \$100.

<https://www.uua.org/ga>

The Board scholarship of \$275 to cover the registration fee to participate virtually remains available. This scholarship is prioritized for a congregant who identifies as:

- Black, Indigenous or a Person of Color (BIPOC), or
- Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Trans, Queer/Questioning, Intersex or Asexual (LGBTQIA), or
- Youth (will have completed grades 9 – 12), or
- Emerging Adults (age 18 – 24), or
- Young Adults (age 18 – 35)
- A first-time attendee who needs the scholarship

If you are interested, please contact Sue Royer at [president@towsonuuc.org](mailto:president@towsonuuc.org).



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DONATE TO TUUC VIA PAYPAL, TEXT, OR BREEZE  
MORE INFORMATION ON THE [TUUC WEBSITE](#)

## SOCIAL ACTION

### SOCIAL ACTION COMMITTEE MEETING—DATE CHANGE—MONDAY, JUNE 13 AT NOON

Because of the Congregational meeting June 12, the Social Action Committee will meet on **Monday, June 13** at noon. All are welcome. An agenda will be sent to those on our mailing list. Please see the Church Calendar for the Zoom address.

### FOOD DONATIONS AT TUUC

We are again collecting donations of nonperishable food for the Assistance Center of Towson Churches (ACTC). Please deposit them in the round bin (Marked ACTC) on the floor of the Church lobby.

The top five items that ACTC is requesting are: pasta, pasta sauce, cereal, peanut butter, and Pop Tarts.

### NONPERISHABLE FOOD

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.)

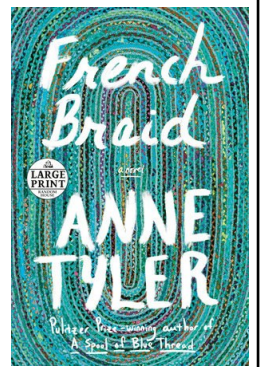
### EARL'S PLACE DONATIONS

In addition, there is a round bin marked "Earl's Place" for donations of paper goods and toiletries, such as toilet paper or paper towels.

## TUUC BOOK CLUB

**WEDNESDAY, JULY 6**

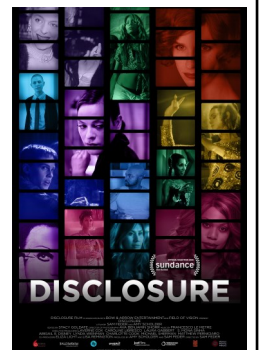
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## CABIN FEVER

**DISCLOSURE (2020)**

**SUNDAY, JUNE 5: 4:30PM**



# 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.

5 June	Sunday	Sunday Service and Coffee Hour	10:30 AM
5 June	Sunday	Cabin Fever—Disclosure	4:30 PM
6 June	Monday	Mindful Way Meditation	7:00 PM
7 June	Tuesday	TUUC Blood Drive	9:00 AM
7 June	Tuesday	Men's Reflection Group	7:30 PM
7 June	Tuesday	Women's Group Meeting	7:30 PM
9 June	Thursday	Men's Group Meeting	7:30 PM
11 June	Saturday	Celebration of Life—Bill Reichel	1:00 PM
12 June	Sunday	Sunday Service and Coffee Hour	10:30 AM
12 June	Sunday	Annual Congregational Meeting	12:00 PM
12 June	Sunday	Cabin Fever—The Train	4:30 PM
13 June	Monday	Social Action Committee Meeting	12:00 PM

## 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.

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

SUNDAY SERVICE ATTENDANCE REPORT		
(Does not reflect actual number of people watching)		
Date	Time	In-Person / Online
05/29/2022	10:30 AM	36 / 30