



**FEBRUARY 19, 2023 - 10:30 AM**

**REV. CLARE L. PETERSBERGER, KARA TYLER—*THE HEART IS ALWAYS THE PLACE TO GO***

A wisdom story from Judaism tells of a child who went to the rabbi and asked, “How can I love God when I've never seen God?” How would you respond to this child’s question? Our Unitarian Universalist faith tradition answers this question in ways with which atheists and humanists might agree.

### **SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 19 ONLINE SERVICE INFORMATION**

For those who plan to join us on Zoom this Sunday, please see below for the Zoom information.

**Zoom Link:** <https://zoom.us/j/98427472557?pwd=SkEyU09kSHRvODU4TEErOTUyQjFWdz09>

**Meeting ID:** 984 2747 2557

**Passcode:** 124059

### **YOUTH RELIGIOUS EXPLORATION**

Did you know that RE has a library where you can borrow books? We mostly have books from Nursery - 8th Grade, but also have a great Unitarian Universalist section available. Feel free to come down and check out the shelves between classrooms 2 and 3. If you see a book you'd like to borrow, please help yourself, just return it so it can be enjoyed by others in the community.

Enjoy topical titles like *Julián Is a Mermaid*, illustrated picture books from different faith traditions, or something for the Young Adult crowd like *Friday I'm in Love*. Books have the power to expose us to other ways of thinking and expand our knowledge, and we're never too old to enjoy a beautifully illustrated story.

### **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.

## GUEST MUSICIAN ON SUNDAY MORNING: SANAHRA AMA CHANDRA

In this Sunday's service (Feb. 19th), we'll be graced with the music of Ama Chandra. Baltimore-based Sanahara Ama Chandra (she/her) is a Reiki Master, Sound healer, Energetic wellness practitioner, professional singer, griot, activist, holistic nurse care manager, and mama of two. She is a truth-seeking and speaking, storytelling, warrior woman who embodies Love Medicine wherever she goes.

Sanahara Ama Chandra has enjoyed a life-long relationship with sound. From her roots in Southern Gospel and 70's Soul to her journeys through World music, Neo-Soul, and Jazz, her heart and soul have embodied the healing power of being moved by music.

On her path of seeking, Ama has acquired many skills and experiences that infuse depth-filled emotions, musical melody, and inspired improvisation into her musical expressions. With international recordings, multiple projects and collaborations, and recognition from Maryland State Arts Council, she is one of Baltimore's beloved treasures.

You can follow and connect with Sanahara Ama Chandra by name on Facebook and Instagram, and her YouTube Channel at <https://youtube.com/user/amachandra>.



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## TUUC ANNOUNCEMENTS AND UPCOMING EVENTS

### **SINGLES FELLOWSHIP GROUP POTLUCK—SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 25 AT 6:00 PM**

Join us for good food and conversation in the church upper level lobby. 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.

### **THE 30TH TUUC ZOOM SOCRATES CAFE WILL MEET MONDAY, FEBRUARY 20TH**

Our 30th TUUC Zoom Socrates Cafe question, which we will probe this coming Monday, February 20th, from 7:30-9:00 p.m., will be: "Are people rational? And, if so, why are we in such a mess?" Our participant, Jeff Savoye, has suggested a 38:52 YouTube video for us to watch, prior to the session: it is by an unusual thinker, Steven Pinker, an experimental cognitive psychologist, who discusses his book on rationality and its limits, entitled "Are we living in an epidemic of unreason?" To join us, just send an email to [socratescafe@towsonuuc.org](mailto:socratescafe@towsonuuc.org) to receive the Zoom Link on the 19th for the 20th. Come and join with a fascinating discussion, or come just to listen!

### **TUUC BLOOD DRIVE—MARCH 8 FROM 12 TO 6 PM**

Working with the American Red Cross, we've scheduled Wednesday, March 8th, 2023 for the next TUUC Blood Drive. There is a critical need for blood right now, please check your calendar and consider donating blood at our drive. Please only join us on March 8th, if you are healthy and have no concerns about donating.

To sign up for an appointment time between 12pm-6pm please use [this link](#) or email Clare Flynn-Avallone with your preferred times. Give the Gift of Life - Give Blood!

### **THANK YOU FOR THE CONDOLENCES**

Thanks to the many members and friends who have sent emails and cards of condolence after the death of Albert. They were so appreciated. --- *Lois Hybl*

### **IN CELEBRATION OF THE LIFE OF GREG KOREN**

Greg Koren, father, teacher, author, magician, and the co-organizer along with his wife Amy of the famed TUUC Halloween parties, died peacefully on February 12th. Greg was diagnosed with ALS over a year ago and moved to be near family in Massachusetts. Through the magic of streaming, many of us were present to celebrate Greg's life, with Greg, on February 4th. If you would like to watch it, the video is [here](#). Messages of condolence may be sent to Amy Koren at 6 Colonial Village Drive #1 Arlington, MA 02474, or [amykoren@gmail.com](mailto:amykoren@gmail.com).

Donations in memory of Greg may be sent to CCALS at <https://ccals.org>. This amazing organization supported Amy and Greg through this difficult disease with free equipment, advice, support groups, phone calls, loving care, and a stay at their beautiful retreat center.

--- *Rev Clare*

## UUA GENERAL ASSEMBLY—JUNE 15-21, 2023 IN PITTSBURGH, PA

General Assembly is the annual gathering of Unitarian Universalists, where we conduct business of the Association, explore the theological underpinnings of our faith, and lean fully into our mission and principles.

Join us June 21 - 25, 2023 online or in-person in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania. Most GA events will take place at the David L. Lawrence Convention Center, 1000 Fort Duquesne Blvd, Pittsburgh, PA. [Google map](#)

[More about traveling to Pittsburgh](#)

[Registration is open](#). Register early to secure the lowest rates.

[Volunteer opportunities](#) and [financial support are available](#).

### END OF CALENDAR YEAR STATEMENTS

Please let us know if you **DID NOT** receive the statement or if you have any questions regarding your contributions for calendar year 2022.

Contact:  
[bookkeeper@towsonuuc.org](mailto:bookkeeper@towsonuuc.org) or  
[churchoffice@towsonuuc.org](mailto:churchoffice@towsonuuc.org)



## TUUC BOOK CLUB

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 22

7:30 PMO



## CABIN FEVER

LICORICE PIZZA (2021)

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 19

4:30 PM



February 18, 2023  
9:00 AM – 12:00 PM

# Third Saturday Work Party

Outdoor focus - Spring Prep,  
Garden cleaning. Preparations to  
start a nature trail.

Rain or shine (disposable rain gear provided)  
Moderate weather permitting.  
Bathrooms available.



## ANNUAL STEWARDSHIP CAMPAIGN



*We hope you enjoyed the beautiful sermon Rev. Clare shared to kick-off the first phase of our pledging season. Jane D'Ambrogio invited us into her lovely vision of how we can be each other's harvest.*

*Now we are each invited to contribute to our TUUC community mosaic by sharing a drawing that represents our personal images of how we can be each other's harvest.*

***Please join us by sharing your artful contribution on or before Sunday, February 19.***  
*You can prepare a drawing roughly 3 by 5 inches and bring it to the service or pick up a card in the lobby after the service and create your drawing then. We will have art supplies available.*

***For those joining us virtually, we invite you to forward your drawing by email to [stewardship@towsonuuc.org](mailto:stewardship@towsonuuc.org).***

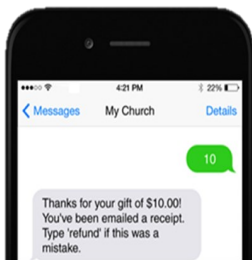
*We hope everyone enjoys this opportunity to ponder how we can be each other's harvest and express yourself creatively to our collective project.*

*It's easy to contribute to the TUUC  
Community Mosaic*

*Simply share a drawing that represents  
how you see our community raising up this  
aspect of beloved community.*



*We are Each Other's Harvest*



### 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](#)

## SOCIAL ACTION

### 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 most requested food items are: boxed breakfast cereal, canned meals (pork & beans, chili), canned vegetables, canned fruit, dry pasta, pasta sauce, Mac & cheese, canned tuna, peanut butter, jelly, canned soup, family and travel sized toiletries, and household supplies (toilet paper, laundry detergent). 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.

### ACTC VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

ACTC needs more volunteers. They are helping more people than ever. To volunteer please reach out to [actc316@gmail.com](mailto:actc316@gmail.com).

### 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.)

### MARYLAND GENERAL ASSEMBLY

The General Assembly of Maryland is only 90 days, from January 11 to April 10, 2023— not much time to get our priority bills passed. The Unitarians Universalist Legislative Ministry UULM, has a website that lists our organization priority legislation for this session. This is their website: <https://www.uulmmd.org/>

The priority legislation for 2023:

- Climate Change - <https://www.uulmmd.org/cc-current-session>
- Criminal Justice - <https://www.uulmmd.org/cj-current-session>
- Gun Violence Prevention - <https://www.uulmmd.org/gv-current-session>
- Health Care/Reproductive Rights - <https://www.uulmmd.org/hc-current-session>
- Immigration - <https://www.uulmmd.org/im-current-session>
- Medical Aid in Dying - <https://www.uulmmd.org/maid-current-session>
- To get the current status of the Maryland legislation - <https://www.uulmmd.org/current-status-of-priority-legislat>
- Are you interested in Federal Legislation? Unitarian Universalists for Social Justice – UU Advocacy in the Nation's Capital ([uusj.net](http://uusj.net))

### BRIDGE UPDATE

As Reverend Clare said last Sunday, The Sacred Listening Campaign has begun. We have started reaching out to a small group of people. However, if you haven't been contacted yet and are eager to get your voice heard, please contact Rev Clare or Ann Beezley.

# 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.

17 Feb	Friday	Parkinson Support Group	12:30 PM
18 Feb	Saturday	Third Saturday Work Party	9:00 AM
18 Feb	Saturday	SURJ Conversation with Rev. Clare	1:00 PM
19 Feb	Sunday	Sunday Service —Love	10:30 AM
19 Feb	Sunday	Cabin Fever	4:30 PM
20 Feb	Monday	Yoga Class with Spice (Auction item)	5:45 PM
20 Feb	Monday	Socrates Café	7:30 PM
21 Feb	Tuesday	Men's Reflection Group	7:30 PM
21 Feb	Tuesday	Women's Group Meeting	7:30 PM
22 Feb	Wednesday	Book Group—The Island of Sea Women	7:30 PM
23 Feb	Thursday	TUUC Choir Rehearsal	7:30 PM
24 Feb	Friday	Writing as a Spiritual Practice	1:00 PM
25 Feb	Saturday	Singles Fellowship Group	6:00 PM
26 Feb	Sunday	Sunday Service—Love	10:30 AM
26 Feb	Sunday	Cabin Fever—Pig	4:30 PM
28 Feb	Tuesday	Aging Together	1:00 PM
28 Feb	Tuesday	Soul Matters Sharing Circles	7:30 PM
2 Mar	Thursday	Men's Brunch	11:30 AM
2 Mar	Thursday	TUUC Choir Rehearsal	7:30 PM

**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
02/12/2023	10:30 AM	77 / 34