



FEBRUARY 26, 2023 - 10:30 AM

THE TUUC SOCIAL ACTION COMMITTEE, TUUC COMMUNITY PARTNER OUT FOR JUSTICE— JUSTICE IS WHAT LOVE LOOKS LIKE IN PUBLIC

This Sunday, the Social Action Committee is highlighting one of our community partners, Out For Justice. Our theme for February is love and as Cornel West said, "Justice is what love looks like in public". Justice is the mission of this organization. Out For Justice is building power for change by working for the reform of policies and practices that adversely affect individuals impacted by the criminal justice system. Learn how they are helping to build a more just and equitable Maryland and learn what you can do to help.

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 26 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/96531870243?pwd=UUVSMzlyd2V0YlRTQlE0a3AvYmZNdz09

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Passcode: 212386

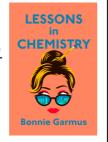
YOUTH RELIGIOUS EXPLORATION

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.

TUUC BOOK CLUB

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 22 7:30 PM



CABIN FEVER

PIG(2021) SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 26 4:30 PM



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.

MEN'S BRUNCH — MARCH 2 AT 11:30 AM

The Men's brunch will meet in the Edenwald Café on Thursday March 2 at 11:30 AM. For information contact Herb Shankroff.

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 <u>this link</u> or email Clare Flynn-Avallone with your preferred times. Give the Gift of Life - Give Blood!

IN CELEBRATION OF THE LIFE OF GREG KOREN

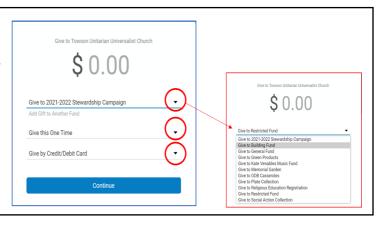
Greg Koren, father, teacher, author, magician, and the co-organizer along with his wife Amy of the famed TUUC Halloween parties, died peacefully on February 12th. Greg was diagnosed with ALS over a year ago and moved to be near family in Massachusetts. Through the magic of streaming, many of us were 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.

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

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.



ANNUAL STEWARDSHIP CAMPAIGN



Ellie's Summer Sauce

We are off to an impressive start. We hope everyone has taken the time to review your invitation letter from Rev. Clare and Andrew Hager. It was delivered to your inbox on Sunday. Thank you to all who have made pledges already!. We are pleased to share that our Board of Trustees has expressed their support by 100% of members making their pledges. Everyone's commitment to TUUC is shining through.

It was a joy to see everyone at the mosaic table creating their personal masterpieces. We hope those of you who did not share art last week will do so. There is still time to email us your expression or you can join us again this week at the mosaic table in the lobby as we continue to ponder how, "we are each other's harvest". To see some of our very first contributions click on the. "Community Mosaic" link on the TTUC Homepage

Be sure to check out all the wonderful TUUC Member and Community Partner Impact Statements on the Stewardship Campaign area of the website.

Our Community Commitment

As shared, we are embracing two community-wide goals during this first phase of our pledging:

- To achieve 100% member participation; and
- To raise a \$352,000 community investment to support our beloved TUUC.

Here's all we have accomplished in the first 48 hours.



14%

Percentage of Members Pledging



\$58,290.00 Total Pledges to Date

Ready to view Impact Statements and make your pledge? Visit towsonuuc.org and click on the



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.

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.uulmd.org/current-status
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- Are you interested in Federal Legislation? Unitarian Universalists for Social Justice UU
 Advocacy in the Nation's Capital (<u>uusj.net</u>)

BRIDGE UPDATE

Recently Reverend Clare said, 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.

| 24 Feb | Friday | Writing as a Spiritual Practice | 1:00 PM |
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| 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 |
| 1 Mar | Wednesday | Program Council Meeting | 7:30 PM |
| 2 Mar | Thursday | Men's Brunch | 11:30 AM |
| 2 Mar | Thursday | TUUC Choir Rehearsal | 7:30 PM |
| 4 Mar | Saturday | YRE Projects | 9:00 AM |
| 5 Mar | Sunday | Sunday Service | 10:30 AM |
| 5 Mar | Sunday | Cabin Fever - Casablanca | 1:00 PM |
| 5 Mar | Sunday | Spiritual Alliance of Communities for Reproductive Dignity | 1:00 PM |
| 6 Mar | Monday | Yoga Class - Auction Item | 5:45 PM |
| 7 Mar | Tuesday | Men's Reflection Group | 7:30 PM |
| 7 Mar | Tuesday | Women's Group Meeting | 7:30 PM |
| 8 Mar | Wednesday | Blood Drive | 12:00 PM |
| 9 Mar | Thursday | TUUC Choir Rehearsal | 7:30 PM |
| 10 Mar | Friday | Writing as a Spiritual Practice | 1:00 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 |
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| 02/19/2023 | 10:30 AM | 60 adults/ 41 10 children |