



**MAY 28 - 10:30 AM - WHEN HAS BEAUTY HEALED YOU?  
REV. CLARE L. PETERSBERGER, TONY BONTA, AND JAY HERZOG**

When and how has beauty healed you? Or when have you seen it heal someone else? This Memorial Day Sunday, a weekend dedicated to remembering young veterans who died in service to our country, we will reflect on how beauty sometimes heals grief. When has creativity ever healed or saved you? When have you witnessed it heal or save others?

**SUNDAY, MAY 28 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/94841630524?pwd=dXJDS0gveWttbCtIRTpV1FDVnphUT09>  
**Meeting ID:** 948 4163 0524  
**Passcode:** 794770

**TUUC YOUTH RELIGIOUS EXPLORATION**

The Summer Session for YRE has begun, but fret not, there's still plenty for kids to do during service. Reverend Clare and I are working together to make the May and June services as multigenerational as possible. I have also provided some goodies to entertain wiggly minds and bodies at the back of the church. On a small table by the main doors, you will find coloring sheets, crayons, colored pencils, finger puppets, and small plushies. If you have other requests for items that might help little (and big) members of our community focus, please let me know. I look forward to continuing to see all of you over the summer! --- Kara Tyler

**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.

The screenshot shows a web form for online contributions to Towson Unitarian Universalist Church. The current amount is \$0.00. There are three dropdown menus: 'Give to 2021-2022 Stewardship Campaign', 'Add Gift to Another Fund', and 'Give by Credit/Debit Card'. A red box highlights the first dropdown menu, which is open, showing a list of options including '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 dropdown menu to the 'Give to Restricted Fund' option in the second screenshot.

# TUUC ANNOUNCEMENTS AND UPCOMING EVENTS

## **CELEBRATING OUR ANCESTORS**

Last month, the TUUC Board of Trustees solicited feedback on a proposal to christen the newly created path through our property the TUUC Ancestors Trail. We appreciate the thoughtful and heartfelt feedback we received from several members.

At their May 17 meeting, the Board weighed these suggestions and voted to officially adopt the name Ancestors Trail for this path. The Board felt that this best encompassed our desire to honor those who helped create and grow our church as well as those who lived and worked on this land long before the church was created.

In the coming year, our website will be revamped and updated, and a detailed history of the original trail, the Francis Pettijohn Trail, will be included on our site alongside a description of the Ancestors Trail. A marker will be commissioned and dedicated to acknowledge the contributions of Dr. Pettijohn and other founders, as well as the indigenous people and enslaved Africans who came before us.

If you would like to be part of the team that will design and place this marker, please email Andrew Hager at [AndrewW.Hager@gmail.com](mailto:AndrewW.Hager@gmail.com).

## **MINDFUL WAY MEDITATION RESUMING IN MAY**

Mindful Way will resume meeting in person in Room 7 from 7:00 to 8:30 pm on the first and third Mondays monthly.

If you have a regular meditation practice, enjoy meditation occasionally, or are curious about how to tame your restless mind, you are welcome to join us. We meditate together, share our experiences with various meditation practices, and explore relevant teachings, usually from Buddhist sources. Several members of the group will be facilitating in rotation.

## **SINGLES FELLOWSHIP GROUP POTLUCK—SATURDAY, MAY 27 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—THURSDAY, JUNE 1 AT 11:30 AM**

The Men's Brunch will meet Thursday, June 1 at 11:30 AM in the Cafe at Edenwald. For more information, please contact Herb Shankroff.

## **SPECIAL GARDENING MORNING AT AMAZING GRACE—SATURDAY, JUNE 3**

TUUC partners with Amazing Grace Lutheran Church and the Charm City Land Trust to maintain the Amazing Port Street Commons in East Baltimore. These gardens are the only public green space in the McElderry Park community. Please join the Green Sanctuary Committee for a morning of weeding and cleaning of the rain garden and labyrinth and

tending to newly-planted vegetables, from 10 AM to 12 PM on Saturday, June 3rd! We can carpool from TUUC (meeting there at 9:30 AM). Please contact Carel Hedlund (info in Breeze) to let us know you will join.

### **NEXT COMMUNITY CHOIR—SUNDAY, JUNE 4**

Our final Community Choir Sunday of the season will be Sunday, June 4th. It will also be the 100th Anniversary of the UU Flower Communion. Singers of all ages may come and rehearse the music that morning at 9 AM, and then sing in the service on June 4th.

### **CALL TO THE ANNUAL MEETING—SUNDAY, JUNE 11, 2023 AT NOON**

Our Annual Congregational Meeting will be held on June 11, 2023 at 12:00 PM, both in person at TUUC and on Zoom.

These items will require a congregational vote:

1. The Rules of Procedure for this meeting
2. The Election of Officers
3. Approval of the Operating Budget for Fiscal Year 2023–2024

Amendments must be submitted in writing to Board Secretary Patty 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 Patty Barry if you need a proxy or can serve as a proxy. See you at the meeting!

### **NEXT TUUC BLOOD DRIVE—THURSDAY, JUNE 15**

Working with the American Red Cross, we've scheduled Thursday, June 15th, 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 June 15th, if you are healthy and have no concerns about donating. To sign up for an appointment between 12-5PM, please use [this link](#) or email Clare Flynn-Avallone with your preferred times. Give the Gift of Life - Give Blood!

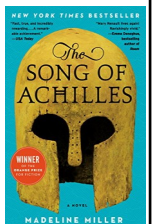
## CABIN FEVER

**AMERICAN GRAFFITI**  
**SATURDAY, MAY 27**  
**4:30 PM DISCUSSION**



## TUUC BOOK CLUB

**WEDNESDAY, JUNE 28**  
**7:30 PM**



# SOCIAL ACTION

## BRIDGE UPDATE

The initial phase of Our Sacred Listening Campaign has ended, but we have learned so much, we are entering a new phase. We are going to be reaching out to more individuals for a while longer. So, you might be receiving a message asking you to participate in these conversations. If you don't want to wait to be asked, just let Rev. Clare or Ann Beezley know, we want to hear from as many people as possible. The date for the Issues Convention has been set as Saturday, 6/10/2023, from 10 AM to 1 PM. Everyone from TUUC is invited.

## DONATIONS AT TUUC

Assistance Center of Towson Churches (ACTC) still need donations. 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.

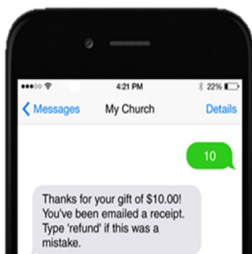
## NONPERISHABLE FOOD

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.)

## ISSUES CONVENTION IN BALTIMORE—JUNE 10 FROM 10 AM TO 1 PM

The Issues Convention is 6/10/2023 from 10am-1pm with doors opening at 9am. The location is St. Vincent DePaul Roman Catholic Church at 120 North Front Street, Baltimore, Maryland 21201. Please come at 9am and learn about all the issues. For more information, please visit [https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSfbCm1QGk-FM5KyJDbTTD5iBlboYDqTijpmlrGTmgVZdcnnWQ/viewform?usp=sf\\_link](https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSfbCm1QGk-FM5KyJDbTTD5iBlboYDqTijpmlrGTmgVZdcnnWQ/viewform?usp=sf_link)



## 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](#)

# WHAT'S HAPPENING AT TUUC

Calendar is subject to change. Check the website calendar [here](#) for most current schedule.

27 May	Saturday	Cabin Fever—American Graffiti	4:30 PM
27 May	Saturday	Singles Fellowship Group Potluck	6:00 PM
28 May	Sunday	Sunday Service	10:30 AM
1 June	Thursday	Men's Brunch	11:30 AM
1 June	Thursday	TUUC Choir Rehearsal	7:30 PM
3 June	Saturday	Coming of Age Graduation Ceremony	2:00 PM
3 June	Saturday	Green Sanctuary—Special Gardening Morning	10:00 AM
4 June	Sunday	Sunday Service—Flower Communion	10:30 AM
5 June	Monday	Mindful Way Meditation	7:00 PM
6 June	Tuesday	Men's Reflection Group	7:30 PM
6 June	Tuesday	Women's Group Meeting	7:30 PM
8 June	Thursday	TUUC Choir Rehearsal	7:30 PM
9 June	Friday	Writing as a Spiritual Practice	1:00 PM
11 June	Sunday	Sunday Service	10:30 AM
11 June	Sunday	Annual Congregational Meeting	12:00 PM
13 June	Tuesday	Aging Together	1:00 PM
13 June	Tuesday	Makers' Meetup	7:00 PM
13 June	Tuesday	Soul Matters Sharing Circles	7:30 PM
15 June	Thursday	Blood Drive	12:00 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
05/21/2023	10:30 AM	79 / 32