



**MARCH 10—10:30 AM—LIVING IN EVER WIDENING CIRCLES—REV. CLARE L. PETERSBERGER, KARA TYLER, DIRECTOR OF RELIGIOUS EDUCATION, SPICE KLEINMANN, SPECIAL MUSIC**

Transformation - She had rejected the faith of her childhood. She was trying to make sense of life as the cold war escalated. A chance encounter with Rilke's Book of Hours in a bookstore in Germany sent her on a spiritual journey. Today, having sprung forward our clocks an hour, we look at transformation through the eyes and work of Joanna Macy. **SPRING FORWARD**

**SUNDAY, MARCH 10 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/97675292607?pwd=cUtoYTNSUC9WRUkyWHJyM2dMV2tsQT09>

Meeting ID: 976 7529 2607 Passcode: 013498

**YOUTH RELIGIOUS EDUCATION—HELP YRE CELEBRATE THE EARTH!**

This April, Bobbie Miyasaki will be introducing the children to our Earth Based Ministry and the interconnectedness of our faith and the world around us. One of the ways we will help the students connect our beliefs with our actions will be to build a terrarium out of recycled milk jugs.

To help make this project a success we need your help! Donations are needed - new or partial materials for the following items will make these terrariums come to life (literally):

- 3 live succulents per kid (average ten students, so 30 plants)
- potting soil
- gravel
- decorative rocks
- sheet moss

Please leave items by the back entrance to the DRE office. If you are dropping off live plants, arrange a time for Kara Tyler to meet you so they are put in a safe place. Thank you!

**JOB OPENING—NURSERY CARE PROVIDER**

This position aims to provide childcare for children attending Sunday Services with their parents. Childcare is provided for children ages two months to five years in the nursery. On some occasions, children up to age eight will be cared for. Additional hours will occasionally be available as requested.

Contact Kara Tyler if interested at [TUUCDRE@TowsonUUC.org](mailto:TUUCDRE@TowsonUUC.org).



## CLARE'S COLLOQUY

On the last weekend of February, walking with my father, we stopped to admire yellow crocuses; purple crocuses; and snowdrops---blossoms where, when we had walked four weeks earlier, there had been none. Nature, herself, had transformed the landscape from barren to blossoming.



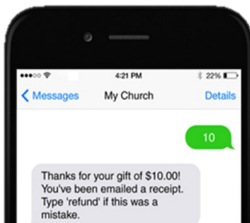
The proposed revision to Article II of the Bylaws of the Unitarian Universalist Association lifts up “transformation” as one of our core values: *“We adapt to a changing world.”* It is easier to adapt to the arrival of spring than it is to many of the headlines from around the globe. We need one another to remind us of life’s goodness.

The walk with my father took us to a house whose owners decorate two pink yard flamingos to mark the changing seasons. At the end of February, one was still dressed for Valentine’s Day with a heart headpiece as well as red Mardi Gras beads. The other was dressed for Mardi Gras with a mask headpiece and green and purple beads. These neighbors intentionally offer the gift of whimsy to passersby.



Intentionally seeking individual and collective transformation is part of our purpose as a faith community. The proposed revision to Article II of the Bylaws of the Unitarian Universalist Association reads *“We covenant to collectively transform and grow spiritually and ethically. Openness to change is fundamental to our Unitarian and Universalist heritages, never complete and never perfect.”*

In this season of Ramadan, Holi, Spring Equinox, and Easter, what transformation are you seeking? What transformations are you celebrating? And what transformations are you offering to a world in need of beauty, whimsy, love, hope, and peace?



### 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](#)

# TUUC ANNOUNCEMENTS AND UPCOMING EVENTS

## NEWS ABOUT US

We congratulate Henry and Charlotte Basta on the birth of their daughter, Hazel Sophia, on March 3 weighing 8 lbs 9 ounces! Henry and Charlotte are over the moon in love with her! We so look forward to meeting Hazel (though it may be awhile before she joins her father on the AV deck!)

## TOWSON UUC FISCAL CHECK UP

Have you taken a peek at our Fiscal Fitness Check-Up video? Discover the latest on TUUC's financial well-being in just six minutes. With insights from Andrew Hager and the opportunity to share your prescription for the future, it's an essential part of ensuring our community's fiscal vitality. Click the link below and be part of the conversation:

<https://youtu.be/WM3z1zCmdFM>

## DEEPEN YOUR CONNECTION TO TUUC AND UNITARIAN UNIVERSALISM

Are you interested in exploring how you might expand your participation at Towson Unitarian Universalist Church in a way that is meaningful and supports your spiritual growth?

Let's get that conversation started! Join the TUUC Nominating Committee for an engaging and interactive conversation about elected and appointed lay leadership positions at church. Learn more about serving on the Board of Trustees. Ask any question! Our Board President, Andrew Hager, recently told me, "Getting into leadership at the church has brought me closer to so many people".

Please speak with any member of the Nominating Committee: Sue Royer, Chair; Nancy Caswell Magrogan, Lou Gieszl, and Art Starr.

Join us on Sunday, March 17 from 12 to 1 PM. This meeting will be multi-platform: In-person in the Meeting Room and on Zoom: <https://zoom.us/j/94020180068?pwd=VFRHdIRiUU5seXFZdThqWVRQNHpQZz09>

**Meeting ID:** 940 2018 0068

**Passcode:** 230132

## GREEN SANCTUARY TIP OF THE WEEK

The clothing industry has a HUGE carbon footprint. According to the UN, the fashion industry is responsible for about 10% of global carbon emissions. It takes about 1,000 gallons of water to make and ship one pair of jeans. And workers in the industry are often exploited. But as consumers, it's hard to pass up that cheap sweatshirt at Target, or that great deal on a new pair of shoes. And we go through our clothes SO fast - not because they wear out, but because we get tired of them. Make 2024 the year you cut down on your purchasing of new clothing. Try shopping at a thrift store or see how long you can go without buying ANY new clothes.

## ETHNIC LUNCH—WEDNESDAY, MARCH 20 AT MERA KITCHEN COLLECTIVE

In March, Ethnic Lunch will be at Mera Kitchen Collective, [www.Mera.Kitchen](http://www.Mera.Kitchen), a Baltimore-based collective of individuals from around the world with a passion for sharing cuisine to foster empowerment and celebrate culture. The food is delicious and gives people a chance to try foods from a wide range of cultures.

Mera does not take reservations and it is a popular spot for lunch in the Mt. Vernon neighborhood. We will meet for lunch at NOON in the hope of getting the communal table. The restaurant is located at 1301 N. Calvert Street at the corner of Preston Street, about a block south of Mt. Royal Avenue. Parking is on the street, but mid-week it is easy to find a parking space.

Join us on Wednesday, March 20 at NOON. RSVP [ethniclunch@towsonuuc.org](mailto:ethniclunch@towsonuuc.org) by Monday, March 18 at 5:00 PM so we have some idea how many people are coming.

## SINGLES FELLOWSHIP GROUP POTLUCK—SATURDAY, MARCH 23 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.

## COMBINED CHOIR FESTIVAL AND CONCERT ON SATURDAY, APRIL 27TH

TUUC will be participating in a group event at All Souls Unitarian in DC on Saturday, April 27th. You may remember the Podd Brothers, particularly Adam Podd, from the Brooklyn UU Church, who produced a number of the videos we saw in our Zoom services during the pandemic. The Podd Brothers plus singer Kiena Williams will be in the DMV to facilitate this event for MUUSICA, the organization of UU musicians in this area. A concert will happen that day at 4 PM, which will include the three musicians plus several of Adam's arrangements presented by combined UU choirs/singers. "The Times, They Are a-Changin'" is the name of the concert, the event, and one of the arrangements we'll be singing. You may participate whether you sing in the TUUC Choir or not. And everyone is invited to the concert! For more information, contact Tracy Hall at [music@towsonuuc.org](mailto:music@towsonuuc.org).

### CABIN FEVER

SPACEMAN (2024)

SUNDAY, MARCH 10

4:30 PM DISCUSSION



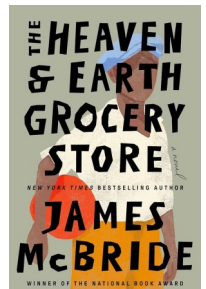
### BOOK CLUB

THE HEAVEN AND EARTH

GROCERY STORE

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 27

7:30 PM



## SOCIAL ACTION

### ACTC NEEDS CHILI AND BEEF STEW

ACTC is in urgent need of chili and beef stew.

### INCLUSIONARY HOUSING SUCCESS IN BALTIMORE CITY

BRIDGE worked with the Inclusionary Housing Task Force for two years to support the two bills that make up the Inclusionary Housing package in Baltimore City. Mayor Scott signed the bills on January 22. The first outlines the requirements for large developments above 20 units to make 10% of their units affordable to 50% and 60% of Area Median Income residents. The second is a tax credit that helps to pay for the lost rent for those units. 60% of Area Median Income (ALMI) is \$53,600 for a family of two, and \$67,000 for a family of four; and 50% of AMI is \$48,700 for a family of two, and \$60,850 for a family of four.



### UNITARIAN UNIVERSALIST LEGISLATIVE MINISTRY—WEEKLY UPDATE

During the legislative session, the TUUC Social Action Committee will provide updates on the status of our legislative priorities and tips for how you can get involved.

For more information, [please visit this page](#). (Updated 2/25)

### 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.)

## Third Saturday Work Party March 16, 2024 @ 9:00 AM

### 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 2023-2024 Stewardship Campaign

Add Gift to Another Fund

Give this One Time

Give by Credit/Debit Card

Continue

### 23-24 Stewardship Campaign July 1, 2023 through June 30, 2024

Give to Towson Unitarian Universalist Church

\$ 0.00

Give to 2023-2024 Stewardship Campaign

Give to General Fund

Give to Green Products

Give to Kate Verables Music Fund

Give to Memorial Garden

Give to ODB Classrooms

Give to Plastic Collection

Give to Religious Education Registration

Give to Restricted Fund

Give to Social Action Collection

## EARL'S PLACE DONATIONS NEEDED

Please see the wish list below for items requested by Earl's Place.

# WISH LIST



Twin or Double Bed Sheets

Twin or Double Bed Blankets

Twin or Double Bed Comforter/Bedspreads

Bed Pillows

Bath Towels and Wash Cloths

Bar Soap

Deodorant

Razors

Shampoo

Toothpaste/Toothbrushes

Lotion

Laundry Detergent

13 Gallon trash bags

Light Bulbs (60 Watt)

Aluminum Foil

Plastic Wrap

All Purpose Cleaners

Dish Liquid/Dishwasher Powder

Toilet Paper

Paper Towels

Nonperishable food items

Sugar

Coffee

Gift cards to Home Depot, Staples or local grocery stores

# WHAT'S HAPPENING AT TUUC

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

8 Mar	Friday	TUUC Blood Drive	11:00 AM
10 Mar	Sunday	Coming of Age	10:00 AM
10 Mar	Sunday	Sunday Service	10:30 AM
10 Mar	Sunday	YRE—Making Faith	10:45 AM
10 Mar	Sunday	Social Action Committee Meeting	12:15 PM
10 Mar	Sunday	Cabin Fever—Spaceman	4:30 PM
12 Mar	Tuesday	Aging Together	1:00 PM
12 Mar	Tuesday	Makers' Meetup	7:00 PM
15 Mar	Friday	Writing as a Spiritual Practice	1:00 PM
16 Mar	Saturday	Third Saturday Work Party	9:00 AM
17 Mar	Sunday	Coming of Age	10:00 AM
17 Mar	Sunday	Sunday Service	10:30 AM
17 Mar	Sunday	YRE—Making Faith	10:45 AM
17 Mar	Sunday	Deepening Your Connection	12:00 PM
17 Mar	Sunday	Cabin Fever—Jackie Brown	4:30 PM
18 Mar	Monday	Mindful Way Meditation	7:00 PM
18 Mar	Monday	Socrates Café	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
03/03/2023	10:30 AM	99 / 23