

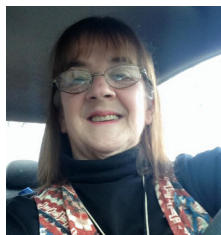
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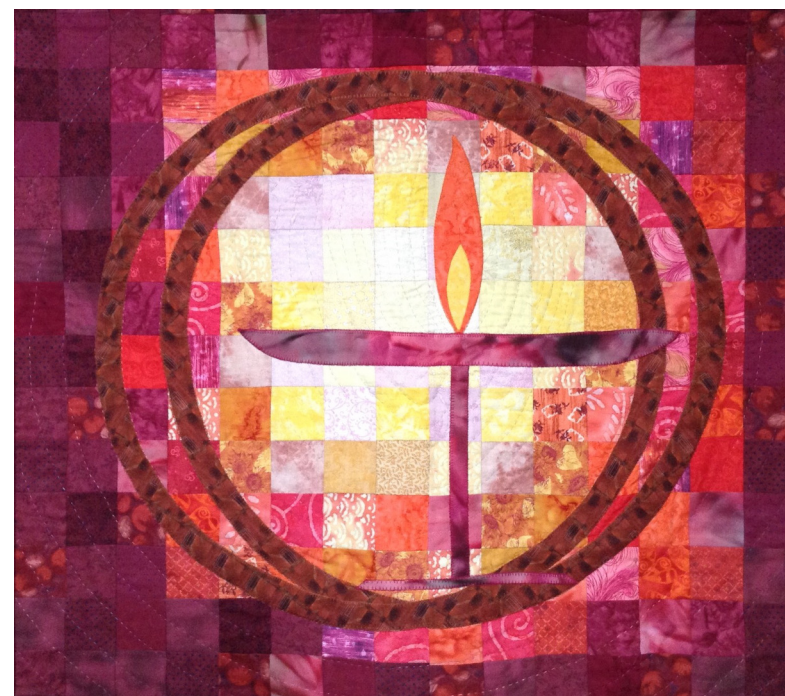
We are a Welcoming Congregation, a Green Sanctuary, and a member of the
Unitarian Universalist Association: www.uua.org

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Founded in 1855
LGBTQ Welcoming Congregation since 1998
Certified Green Sanctuary since 2014

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Are you a newcomer today? Please pick up a nametag at the Welcome Table by the entrance to the Social Hall. You are invited to join us for coffee or tea and conversation after the service.

We welcome all people.

We are guided by this philosophy of inclusion:

"Systems of power, privilege and oppression have traditionally created barriers for persons in groups with particular identities, ages, abilities and histories. We pledge to do all we can to replace such barriers with ever-widening circles of solidarity and mutual respect. We strive to be a congregation that truly welcomes all persons and commit to structuring our congregational life in ways that empower and enhance everyone's participation.

We strive to embody what we hope to see in the world, a just and loving humanity. *We strive to create:* a place where people are free to be themselves, fully and without fear. A community where no one is exiled, silenced or exploited because of age, racial or cultural identity or national origin, gender expression or identity, sexual or affectional orientation, familial structures or relationship status, range of physical and mental ability, education or socioeconomic status, religious background, or political perspective. We welcome all to share in the fellowship, worship, responsibilities, leadership, ministry, blessings and joys of our congregation's life."

Are you new to Unitarian Universalism? Our Greeter/Host (or any of our members) will be happy to answer your questions about our congregation and the larger UU world. Pamphlets on Unitarian Universalism are available on the welcome table, along with copies of *The Confluence*, our monthly newsletter. To receive the newsletter each month by email, contact fuusm@suddenlinkmail.com, as well as to sign up for the emailed Weekly Update. Newcomers, members and friends are invited to participate in all activities and programs.

Learn more about us on our website (www.fuusm.org), and find us on Facebook (www.facebook.com/FUUSM/) to see postings of interest.

Children and Parents... Children are always welcome, and begin every Sunday morning in the worship service with their families. During our summer program, children go to religious exploration activities after the opening hymn. Nursery care for infants and toddlers is available for the entire service.

Unitarian Universalist congregations affirm and promote seven Principles. These seven Principles grew out of the grassroots of our communities, were affirmed democratically, and are part of who we are.

- The inherent worth and dignity of every person.
- Justice, equity and compassion in human relations.
- Acceptance of one another and encouragement to spiritual growth in our congregations.
- A free and responsible search for truth and meaning.
- The right of conscience and the use of the democratic process within our congregations and in society at large.
- The goal of world community with peace, liberty, and justice for all.
- Respect for the interdependent web of all existence of which we are a part.

We explore our faith... in Worship. Reverence and gratitude are a valued part of our worship services, in which we strive to create opportunities for inspiration and contemplation, critical reflection, connection and celebration. Sermons are offered on a variety of topics, and our ministers draw from a variety of sources to create a worship service including music, story, poetry, and meditation. Our UU sources include the wisdom of the world religions, results of science, personal experience of life's mystery, and the words and deeds of those who exemplify compassion, justice, and the transforming power of love. In addition to our Sunday service, we offer other opportunities for Adult Religious Exploration. Look for current offerings in the announcements, the Weekly Update, and the newsletter.

We live justice... Members and friends come together every month to prepare and serve a free meal open to all in the community. Our Social Justice groups work with others in the community to support our values.

Interested in becoming a member? We invite you to get to know us by participating at whatever level is right for you. Talk with our Greeter/Host, or with Rev. Kat after the service.

Hearing Assisted Devices and Large Print Orders of Service are available. Please request either from a greeter if you need one.

We Are a Green Sanctuary. We serve fair trade coffee during our social hour, compost food waste, recycle paper products, and reuse this order of service cover. Please place this cover in the designated bin as you exit.