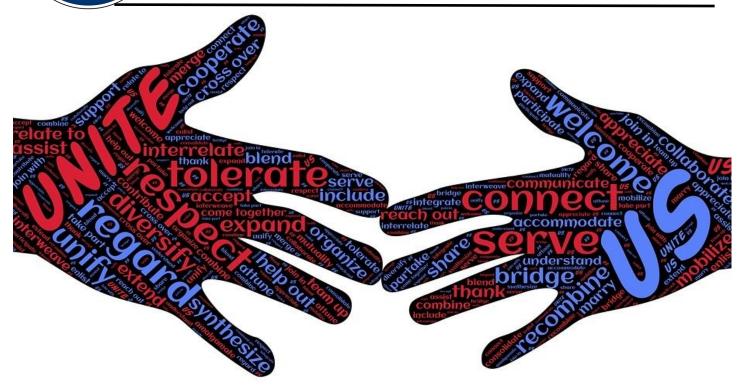


The Meridian

Unitarian Universalist Church of Tippecanoe County

333 Meridian Street - West Lafayette, Indiana 47906 - uuctc.org



Unitarian Universalist Congregation of Fort Wayne

Join Rev. Shelly as she kicks off August in exploring ways we can be prepared spiritually for the days ahead that continue to have us separated and doing our best to remain healthy; grieving the losses of the familiar places, familiar connections, and those who have died in our communities; and the continued divisiveness and dismissiveness of those elected to lead and serve the people. We will be joined by the members of the Unitarian Universalist Church of Tippecanoe County in West Lafayette, IN. See you in your zoom box at 10:30am.

Blessings, Rev. Misty-Dawn

Speaker: Rev. Misty-Dawn Shelly

Associate:

Music:

Online Support: Alice Pawley, Eric Thiel Link: http://uuctc.org/sunday

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Unitarian Universalist Congregation of Fort Wayne

This week we will be visiting the Unitarian Universalist Congregation of Fort Wayne with Rev. Misty-Dawn Shelly



Topic: Sunday morning worship @ 10:30am

Time: Aug 2, 2020 10:30 AM Eastern Time (US and Canada)

Note: Please have 2 rocks/stones or 2 index cards/pieces of paper handy for part of the sermon.

Join Zoom Meeting

https://zoom.us/j/97611317385?
pwd=eXVRQ3pqK2xrMDNCOVFlQmJYSzI4UT09

Meeting ID: 976 1131 7385

Passcode: 137479

Ways to Connect

- **People Who Identify As Women group** contact Sherry Tripodi (<u>sherrytripodi@yahoo.com</u> to be added to this email list. Meetings are happening both on zoom and in person.
- **People Who Identify as Men group** contact Josh Prokopy (<u>joshuaprokopy@gmail.com</u>) to be added to this email list. They meet outdoors every couple of weeks.
- **Feminist Book Group** contact Linda Prokopy (lprokopy@gmail.com) to be added to the list and to receive our current reading list. We're meeting over zoom once a month.
- The UU Flames are playing this summer in the WL coed softball league. Anyone 18 years of age or
 older is more than welcome to join. Please contact Mark VaMeeter (<u>mvanmeeter@comcast.net</u>) for
 more details.

Sundays

⇒ **Sunday Service** - Please join us for Sunday morning service at 10:30 a.m, followed by a time to welcome new visitors and of fellowship. The service is at https://uuctc.org/sunday-dial-in/ via phone.

UPDATE: This Sundays Class, August 2nd was changed to 3:30pm to 5:00pm.

⇒ As part of our 8th Principle Task Force, Schane Coker will be teaching a class on Critical Race Theory Sundays from 2 pm to 3:30 pm (July 12th — September 13th) via Zoom https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85913209223?pwd=WmlxTGtod21SM2V3OXY4OHQrT0I0QT09 contact info: cokersd@gmail.com

Critical Race Theory (CRT) is a paradigm within academic research that allows readers the ability to see and understand the experiences of minorities, particularly African Americans, in U.S. society and the struggles they continue to face today... CRT explores how race has been used by people in power (white people) to further their economic and political interests at the expense of people of color.

Mondays

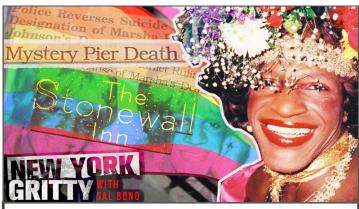
⇒ Anyone is welcome to join us for a **Virtual Insight Meditation** every Monday at 7pm on Zoom! We're a small community that has found deep value in practicing stillness and focusing on awareness on our breathing, thoughts, and supporting each other in doing so.

You can join us at: https://proxy.qualtrics.com/proxy/?url=https%3A%2F%2Fuuctc.org%2Finsight-zoom&token=UbpjTHhyV79Vmfhcs9ZwJqoGRov0Ap0vckX9j%2FKXU%2B0%3D

Meeting ID: 863 1429 6645 Password: 212486

Wednesdays

⇒ Lunch with Rev. Rosemary. Every Wednesday at noon bring your questions, concerns, and of course your lunch to visit with our Interim Minister https://uuma.zoom.us/j/96146624177



"Pay It No Mind: The Life and Times of Marsha P. Johnson"

Video: Saturday, August 1st at 3:00 pm **Discussion:** Following video at 4:00 pm

The Welcoming Congregation Subcommittee will host a discussion of "Pay It No Mind: The Life and Times of Marsha P. Johnson" on Saturday, August 1 at 4:00 pm at uuctc.org/sunday-dial-in-via-zoom.

We invite you to watch the video with us at <u>uuctc.org/sunday</u> at 3:00 pm on Saturday, August 1, or watch the video at <u>uuctc.org/marsha</u> prior to our discussion (or in case of Zoom difficulties, followed by discussion via <u>uuctc.org/sunday-dial-in</u>).

This documentary includes the longest interview ever conducted with Johnson, a trans activist, central figure in the Stonewall Uprising, actress, prostitute and much beloved "saint" by street people in New York City prior to her death in 1992. Johnson addresses issues of identity, activism, sex work and dangers on the streets in NYC.

Join us for this illuminating and important film.

Feast of the Hunter's Moon Festival STATUS UPDATE

After meeting with Tippecanoe County community officials on the impact of the COVID 19 pandemic, the Tippecanoe County Historical Association has decided to announce that the 53rd annual Feast of the Hunters' Moon festival scheduled for October 3-4, 2020 will be postponed until October 9-10, 2021. The decision was made based upon the difficulty of maintaining social distancing and other recommended CDC guidelines for large events. The safety of the public was the factor considered foremost in the making the decision.

The difficult decision was made understanding how important the Feast is to the community as a positive, engaging historical event and as a significant fundraiser





Dear Unitarian Universalist Church Inc. (IN316),

The Kroger Co. Family of Stores is committed to bringing hope and help to the local neighborhoods we call home. Our stores are on a mission to not just part of, but to help create a stronger community. We recognize that every community has unique causes that need support. Thank you for being such an important organization in our community.

We encourage you to ask your supporters to link their rewards card to your organization. Community Rewards is easy to use, The more your supporters shop with us, the more money your organization will earn!

Thank you for being such an important organization in our community,

Community Rewards Staff

To link your rewards click below:

Community Rewards Home Page

Apr-01-2020 to Jun-31-2020 Households 20 Total Donations \$64.80

for 50 community organizations such as scout troops, churches, and civic organizations.

The Feast is the main fundraising event for the Tippecanoe County Historical Association and supports all aspects of the operation including curation of the unique and valuable artifacts in the TCHA collection, the broad expanse of community programming to educate about our incredible local history, and preservation efforts to maintain important historical sites such as the Tippecanoe Battlefield Museum, the Fort Ouiatenon Blockhouse, the Arganbright Genealogy Center and Library, and the Ouiatenon Preserve.

TCHA board president Pete Bill states "With support from the community, our loyal membership, sponsors, and Feast participants, we will weather these tough financial times with the goal for the Feast to return in 2021 and for TCHA to remain a strong community resource."

UU News & Announcements

Child /Youth RE (Religious Exploration)
RE Calendar: Nicole McCabe, dre@uuctc.org

For more information about the RE (Religious Exploration) program, please contact Nicole McCabe at <a href="mailto:december-decem

RE Sunday- August 2nd from 12-1pm

Zoom link- https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89083923920

I'm looking for volunteers willing to share their talents during our Zoom meeting.

Volunteers Needed: Would you be willing to:

- Record a story, poem, and/or reading for RE or a UUCTC service?
- Be a pen pal with and/or call a UUCTC community member?
- Hang out with the youth for some outdoor, social distant fun?
- Help out the grounds committee?

RE At Home Kits- Kim Smith, Kathy Coder, and I will be working together to create monthly RE at home kits. Please see below for the monthly themes and kits and let me know if you'd like to schedule a time to pick up your monthly kit. They are subject to change based on needs and availability of materials.

- **August-** The theme is connection. We will have chalice making kits available.
- **September-** The theme is expectations. We will have vision board kits for the ministerial search.
- October- The theme is belonging. We will have "Blessing of the Animals" kits available.
- **November-** The theme is attention. We will have sense meditation kits available.
- **December-** The theme is awe. We will have some recipe kits available.

Board Meetings

will now be on the THIRD Tuesday of the month from 6:30pm—8:30pm.



Christina Wright, Nursery@uuctc.org

With the losses we are experiencing these days, whether the loss of the comfort of normalcy or that of the loss of a loved one, it can be healing to think of this pain in a different manner. I found comfort in this quote and think it is appropriate to share with my young ones.

"Grief, I've learned is really just love.
It's all the love you want to give, but cannot. All that unspent love gathers up in the corners of your eyes, the lump in your throat, and in the hollow part of your chest.
Grief is just love with no place to go."

-Jamie Anderson

When trying to gain insight into a child's thoughts or level of understanding of a topic, open ended questions can be a great tool.

- How do you think that thing works?
- What do you think this item is used for?
- Why did you choose that toy/shirt/book today? What does this remind you of?
- What could we have done instead?



UU the VOTE

Click the link below to get involved: https://www.uuthevote.org/

Faith. Love. Action. Together.

UU CHURCH STAFF



Rev. Rosemary Morrison — Interim Minister

Nicole McCabe — Director of Religious Exploration

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