

UUFWC NEWSLETTER: MARCH 2023

Upcoming Services

Our weekly Worship Services are in person on Sunday mornings at 10am or watch the service on YouTube Live. [LINK to our YouTube channel](#) A recording is made available through the Google Groups email, later that day.

3/5 Ordinary Courage [Rev. Kelli McNeal]

Join us as we explore the path of courage. What does it mean to have courage? Can courage be a spiritual practice? – Rev. Kelli McNeal of the First Unitarian Universalist Church of Columbus, Ohio is our guest preacher this Sunday.

3/12 Choose Your Own Adventure

Exploratory Worship for All Ages -

Don't Forget to Change Your Clocks *Daylight Savings*

[Rev. Walter Clark]

In the 1980's Choose your own Adventure books allowed you to dictate your own story. The delightful part was that if you made a bad choice you still had an opportunity to go back and try again. For this exploratory worship, we will embody the choose your adventure ethic in our sanctuary.

3/19 What Makes Space Sacred

[Worship Associates]

We often hear the term “sacred space” but what does it truly mean? What makes Strawn Hall sacred to some and the woods beyond it sacred to others. The Worship Associates delve into this question by defining what sacred space means to them and invites you to ponder the same question.

3/26 Vernal Equinox Service

[Sharon Delgadillo and Rev. Walter Clark]

Spring is a time of being on the edge between the cold winter and the heat of summer. What lessons can the seasons teach us about living in the space between?

Minister's Meditations

Rev. Walter Clark

What is an installation anyway? I never really liked the term because it makes the minister seem like a major appliance. The event itself is very similar to an ordination ceremony with many of the same elements, such as a charge to the minister, a charge to the congregation and a rite of installation/ordination. Both events have speakers that are important to the minister, have an order of service similar to a regular worship service and tend to last about 90 minutes. Installation traditionally takes place within the first year of the minister's call to the congregation. It is NOT a celebration of the minister. It is instead a celebration of the shared ministry and vision between the congregation and the minister. The installation is very much about us.

While I would have liked to have had this ceremony last August, around the actual one year date on my time here, I think having it around the one year anniversary of our re-opening is a great way to mark our time together. While we found ways to create community together during the pandemic with outdoor meet-ups and Zoom meetings, over the past 12 months we have seen our attendance numbers grow on Sunday mornings, in Religious Exploration and in social gatherings. There is a stronger interest in social justice in the community and spiritual exploration and education. This is a strong, growing spiritual community.

I hope that you are able to come to the installation to celebrate your work over the past year. To enjoy all that you have accomplished and renew yourself to make the next year even better!



Stewardship

Living **O**ur **V**alues **E**verywhere

Many thanks to those who have submitted their pledges! Your financial commitment to the UUFWC is critical to planning for the coming fiscal year. For those who have not yet pledged, we encourage you to read more at uufwc.org/support/pledge as you consider your support our fellowship.



Many thanks also to those who have shared ideas of how we live our values as a congregation beyond the UUFWC walls. We're excited to see how your ideas evolve and become a reality.

As always, please feel free to contact one of us if you have any questions or thoughts to share.
UUFWC Stewardship Committee: Scot Armstrong, Tony Beery, Bonnie Groop, Danni Schantz, Mary Wicks (chair)

'Share the Plate'

Each month we will choose an agency that will receive half of the donations that are not designated for another purpose. **In March, we will share the plate with Viola Startzman Free Clinic.**



"Our Mission is to eliminate barriers to healthcare for vulnerable patients in Wayne County and surrounding communities." - Taken from the website

Learn more at <https://www.startzmanclinic.org/>

How do you share the plate?

- If you write checks, please communicate your intention on the memo line: 'share the plate'.
 - If you use Paypal, in the optional section, choose 'share the plate'.
 - If you use Paypal Giving Fund, you will have to email Joanna to designate your contribution. [fellowship@uufwc.org].
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Committee on Ministry Submitted by John Waldman

On March 5, our community will celebrate the Installation of Reverend Walter Clark, recognizing him as the settled minister for the Unitarian Universalist Fellowship of Wayne County. This is an important event for both the congregation and Reverend Walter. The congregation adds a new chapter to its history, and the ceremony is a key event for Rev Walter as he achieves an important personal milestone. It also marks the start of the next phase of Reverend Walter's career development.

UU ministers pass through several points in their career. The next phase for Reverend Walter is to work towards full fellowship as a UU minister. This is an official status granted by the UUA's Ministerial Fellowship Committee (MFC). The process of attaining full fellowship is one of structured continuous learning and professional development activities. Being in full fellowship is like to being granted tenure in an academic setting. In order to be granted full fellowship, a minister in preliminary fellowship (Reverend Walter's current status), is required to have three approved annual appraisals with the MFC.

The annual appraisals include submitting documentation showing readings completed, courses taken, evidence of professional growth, Board evaluations, self and mentor assessments, and input from the congregation relating to these areas of ministerial competency:

- Worship and Rites of Passage - Pastoral Care and Presence - Spiritual Development for Self and Others	- Social Justice in the Square - Administration - Serving the Larger UU Faith - Leads the Faith Into the Future
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The purpose of this survey and our conversations is to enhance the ministry of our congregation and to help Rev. Walter grow. As a result, we believe that the best feedback is specific, non-anonymous feedback because the ministry of the UUFWC is a shared responsibility with each of us invested in working to make improvements. This means that your name will be associated with your feedback but your feedback will only be shared with members of our committee.

Gathering the congregation's input in the assessment process is key. In order to do this work, the Board of Directors has authorized the formation of a Committee on Ministry (COM). The Committee's members are Mary Wicks, Adam Keating, Denise Bostdorff, Sarah Miles, and myself. The COM's charge is to gather "information from the congregation and other sources on the minister's standing with respect to all areas of ministerial competency."

Every congregation member and friend will have the opportunity to respond to a survey. In the coming months you will have a chance to answer several questions on the various areas of ministerial competency and offer written comments. Since we each experience Reverend Walter's ministry in different ways, having a high level of participation from our community is critical to painting an overall picture of Reverend Walter's impact.

In addition to the survey, we welcome any personal feedback you may wish to provide directly to any member of the Committee about Reverend Walter's performance in particular competency areas. Also, we will be reaching out to individuals and groups who might have insights especially relevant to a particular area, such

as Administration, Pastoral Care, or Rites of Passage, for example.

More details about the survey will be provided in the coming weeks. Please feel free to direct any questions relating to the process to any Committee On Ministry team member. We appreciate your participation in this important process.

Family Ministry

From Director of Religious Education, Jenni Papp

Sunday Morning Religious Exploration

Each month we explore a specific theme both during worship services and in our religious exploration. We are inspired by many sources and find ways to explore the theme in developmentally appropriate ways. Currently, we have four groups that gather on Sunday morning during worship:

Nursery for infants through pre-school
Earth Spirits for kindergarten through 3rd grade
Extra Extreme Explorers (Triple E's) for 4th through 6th grade
Youth Community for 7th through 12th grade

Our Theme for March is: Vulnerability

March 5 -- What Do You Really LOOOOVE? Show and Tell

We will share what we really LOOOOVE! Bring it in and tell us all about it! A butterfly collection, a special song or book, a game, a favorite food, etc. So, celebrate love and share the things we love together.

March 12 -- Choose Your Own Adventure -- Exploratory Worship for Everyone

the 1980's Choose your own Adventure books allowed you to dictate your own story. The delightful part was that if you made a bad choice you still had an opportunity to go back and try again. For this exploratory worship, we will embody the choose your adventure ethic in our sanctuary.

March 19 -- When We Seek Friendship

A big part of vulnerability is being willing to take a risk. And one of the biggest and most vulnerable risks we take is friendship. We need to trust that they will respond in kind when we signal that we want to be friends. We need to trust that they will not hurt us once we've become friends. So come, let us leap into and explore the vulnerable ability to say, "I like you."

March 26 -- When We Show Our True Selves and Celebrate the Ability to Say "This is me."

In this lesson we explore the times when life asks us to be vulnerable and show our true selves and bravely say, "This is me." In honor of Transgender Day of Visibility on March 31 we will explore all of the pieces that make us who we are and celebrate each other and our unique selves.

More details, events, and supplemental resources to use together at home are available in the RE Newsletter. [Click here](#) to subscribe.



Children are always welcome in our worship services, and we have a wiggle friendly place for them in the sanctuary if they would prefer that.

The nursery is always available for caregivers to use and the service audio can be heard in there.



Families are Getting Connected!

If you would like to join the private Facebook group for Family Ministry at the UUFWC you can click here to [request to join](#).

Contact Jenni at DRE@UUFWC.org or Jess at YMC@UUFWC.org with questions.

We need everyone's help to put on a good show!

CALLING ALL

PERFORMERS: Children and Youth (ages 18 and under) are encouraged to be a part of the show! Sing a song, play an instrument, recite a poem, tell a joke or story...*the stage is yours!*

To signup, [download this form](#). Fill it out and email to ymc@UUFWC.org or drop it off in the Youth Community Room. *Bonus...anyone who performs gets 5 tickets and a chance to win a fabulous prize!*

DONATE: **We are seeking prize donations for our performers!** Prizes may be goods such as board games, art supplies, and gift cards or services like cooking lessons, a craft night, or an outdoor play date. Our performers will get tickets and "bid" on their favorites the night of the show. Email ymc@UUFWC.org if you can help.

The Youth Community Presents

Cocoa House 2023

Saturday, March 25th at 6pm
~ Strawn Hall ~

Talent Show, Auction, Cocoa, Cookies, Fun & Fellowship

Come see "who dun it" and support UUFWC RE!

Suggested donation \$2 at the door
Open to the public ~ all welcome

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COME TO THE SHOW: Mark your calendars and enjoy a fun night that supports our Children and Youth!

Get in touch with Jess if you have any questions.

Youth & Families receive emails & Remind messages with additional info.

Feel free to email Jess at ymc@UUFWC.org or Jenni at dre@UUFWC.org at any time. All are also welcome to call/text Jess at 330-347-7183.



From Sharon Delgadillo, Music Director

There is something about making music in a group. Studies have shown that groups that sing and make music together begin to breathe together. For that one hour each week, we are not alone, we are creating beauty, breathing as one, making healing sound and loving and supporting each other. Come be a part of us.

Let the music touch your soul.

It is not too late to join the Choir! We rehearse Wednesdays at 7-8pm. We would love to have your voice join with ours.

The Folk Orchestra is looking for a bass player, a cello or contrabass. If you play one of these instruments and have considered joining us, we are waiting for you! We rehearse Wednesdays at 8:15-9:00pm. It doesn't matter your playing level, come and make a joyful noise with us! I can arrange the music to meet your level.

We need Sunday morning Song Leaders! You don't have to be perfect and you can sing in a small group, but we do need folks that are willing to lead us in our morning worship songs. Concerned you won't know the song? Sharon will work with you.

Sharing musical gifts is one of the most sacred. Special Music on Sunday mornings lifts us up. If you are willing to provide some inspiration, contact Sharon Delgadillo.

For more info, contact Sharon Delgadillo, Music Director at music.director@uufwc.org

Coffee!!

Why is everyone always so happy on Sunday mornings chatting with a cup of coffee (or other beverage) in their hands? We can only guess at the answer, but we do know that we want to keep this up, so we need YOU! Please consider putting your name down on the coffee-making signup sheet in the lobby. Contact Vicki or Mike for more info. We can show you what needs to be done.

Membership (and Fun Stuff) News

Committee: Martin Lubell (chair), Cherrill Wertz (vice-chair), Jay Klemme, Laura Grimm, Laura Moore, Karen Skubik (Membership Coordinator), *plus our newest committee members: Barb Tytula and Doris Bowman!!!*

Our Wine, Cheese and Conversation Event was a resounding success!!



On February 3rd we had 62 in attendance for two and one-half hours as we rotated around to different tables getting to know both long-time, newer friends, and even strangers a little better.

Thank you to all who helped with set-up, brought food and beverages, cleaned-up, and simply attended. We're already looking forward to next February!!

****Ongoing Events****

Women's Lunch Group, March 14th, 12:30pm



Come join us! We're going out to eat at the downtown Buehlers (Towne Market Cafe) like we used to before Covid!! We have no agenda except to enjoy each other's company. Any questions can be directed to Karen.uufwc@gmail.com.

Library News *Submitted by Kay Bowen, UUFWC Librarian*

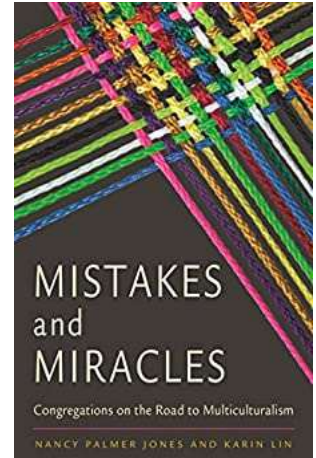
The book described below is new to our Fellowship library and can currently be found in the library display window.

MISTAKES AND MIRACLES: CONGREGATIONS ON THE ROAD TO MULTICULTURALISM

By Nancy Palmer Jones and Karin Lin

“What calls Unitarian Universalists to create multicultural, antiracist Beloved Community? What do congregations need when they embark on this journey? What common threads run through their stories? Nancy Palmer Jones and Karen Lin – a white minister and a lay person of color – share how five diverse congregations encounter frustrations and disappointments, as well as hope and wonder, once they commit to the journey. Mistakes abound. Miracles of transformation and joy emerge too. Extensively researched and thoughtfully written – with reflection questions at the end of each chapter – *Mistakes and Miracles: Congregations on the Road to Multiculturalism* will guide readers to apply these stories to their own communities, develop next steps, and renew their commitment to this hard but meaningful work.”

(This quote is from the book’s back cover.)



This book was chosen as the 2022-2023 UUA Common Read. According to inSpirit: The UUA Book and Gift Shop, “The Common Read invites participants to read and discuss the same book in a given period of time. A Common Read can build community in our congregations and our movement by giving diverse people a shared experience, shared language, and a basis for deep meaningful conversations.”

Social Action in Action

Submitted by Betty Schuler, of the Social Action Committee

HOUSING AND HOMELESSNESS IN WAYNE COUNTY The large crowd that filled First Presbyterian Church’s Bruch Hall for the second Housing & Homelessness in Wayne County presentation on February 9th reinforced one speaker’s comment that Wayne County really cares about this issue. The program emphasized the continued need for shelter and highlighted progress that has been made. Solutions to homelessness, including permanent supportive housing were presented by OneEighty, Inc. and the Wayne Metropolitan Housing Authority. Two homeless individuals spoke of how they became homeless and the struggles they have had. Opportunities to volunteer were available as well as literature about local agencies. This presentation was sponsored by Wayne County Housing Coalition, Wooster Homelessness Task Force, Wayne-Holmes Reentry Coalition and the League of Women Voters of Wayne County. A brief description of these organizations follows which may be helpful to those wishing to act in behalf of more housing opportunities.

WAYNE COUNTY HOUSING COALITION (330-264-2727) is a broad-based county-wide membership,

including consumers of housing services, minorities, political subdivisions, social service agencies and business whose purpose is to bring people together in a forum where they can advocate for and educate the community about the need for safe, decent and affordable housing for Wayne County residents. It has five standing committees: Publicity & Community Education, Faith Based Connection, Service Evaluation & Development, Policy & Government, and Healthcare & Education. Its meetings are open to the public and held on the third Wednesday of the month at 7:30 am in the conference room at Wayne County Job & Family Services, 3565 W. North Street (back entrance off parking lot).

WOOSTER HOMELESSNESS TASK FORCE (whtfoh@gmail.com) is a volunteer organization formed in December 2019. Its mission is to assist in creating a continuum of safe; physically, geographically and financially accessible and sustainable housing for homeless and inadequately housed low income people living in or moving through Wooster. It works closely with established agencies to address the issues impacting homeless and low income populations. It was the sole sponsor of the meeting on homelessness in February, 2022 which drew an equally large crowd. Among its activities is providing training for volunteers to mentor the unsheltered and to assist at the Severe Weather Shelter located at the Salvation Army.

WAYNE-HOLMES REENTRY COALITION (330-264-1900) provides reentry service coordination and assists individuals with release planning who are returning to Wayne and Holmes counties. Employment assistance/job readiness, reentry support groups, mentoring/peer to peer coaching and reentry community groups/coalitions are the services offered at no charge.

LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS OF WAYNE COUNTY (lwvwaynecounty.org) is a non-partisan organization where hands-on work to safeguard democracy creates positive, lasting change in our communities. It is dedicated to educating citizens and helping to foster dialogue on important issues.

COALITION ON HOMELESSNESS AND HOUSING IN OHIO (COHHIO) although not a sponsor of the presentation, a representative from this organization was scheduled to speak, but was unable to do so. For those interested in making federal, state and local officials aware of the needs in the community, one of the core functions of **COHHIO** is advocating for state and federal policies to promote affordable housing and end homelessness. To become aware of current issues, sign up for Advocacy Alerts and COHHIO News on the COHHIO website in the Advocacy section.

All Things Green

NEED A RIDE IN WOOSTER OR WAYNE COUNTY? A booklet by that title has been prepared by the NAACP Environmental & Climate Justice Committee and the Wooster Interfaith Justice Committee Climate Change Group (UUs serve on both committees). This project was an answer to the question *What problems do you have living in Wooster?*, asked in a survey conducted by the NAACP E&CJ Committee in the churches located south of Bowman Street in Wooster. The response most often was access to transportation. Research indicated that most information about local transportation services was found on various websites, presenting difficulties for those needing the services who may not have access and/or do not know what to look for. It was found that there are a number of services that can benefit not only low income individuals, but those who do

not have access to their own transportation or prefer to use public transportation, but can pay for the service.

The booklet covers a number of areas using the format, What is It? Who Can Ride? Where it Goes, How Much it Costs, How to Sign Up and Other Things To Know. It starts with a detailed description of the City of Wooster Transportation Program including using the Wooster Transit bus and the transportation taxi cab passes. Other services described are Wayne County Transit, free in-county transportation, medical transportation services, including Wooster Community Hospital transportation, Aultman Hospital transportation, out of county transportation and Gilcrest transportation. Included also is information about low cost transportation between Wooster and Columbus (and stops in between) on the GOBUS.

It has been distributed in Wooster to several agencies: One Eighty, People to People Ministries, Salvation Army, Viola Startzman Clinic, Wooster Hope Center, Wayne/Holmes United Way, College of Wooster, and Catholic Charities and is in the process of being distributed to Wooster churches that provide meals or other service to the general public. Second Baptist Church, Westminster Presbyterian Church, St James Episcopal Church, Trinity United Church of Christ, and St. Mary Catholic Church have already received copies.

A copy of the brochure is located in the UUFWC library in a labeled holder on the table facing the book window. It does not circulate, but can be consulted there or a copy can be made in the office.

WAYNE COUNTY TREE SEEDLING SALES: the Wayne Soil and Water Conservation District is accepting orders for its annual tree sale. This year the available species are: dawn redwood 12-18 inches, \$20; Douglas fir 18-24 inches, \$15; Norway spruce 18-24 inches, \$15 and Scotch pine 10-16 inches, \$10. The trees are available in packs of 10 trees. In addition, a nut pack, consisting of three each of hazelnut and butternut, two each of northern pecan and black walnut is available at \$30 per pack. A pollinator pack consisting of two each of red Osier dogwood, choke cherry, American plum, meadowsweet and pasture rose is \$30 per pack. The wildlife pack consists of two each of American hazelnut, American plum, ninebark, red Osier dogwood and swamp white oak at \$20 per pack. A Scotch pine seedling pack to donate to local elementary schools students is available for \$10. Marking flags are also available in bundles of 10 for \$3. Deadline for ordering packets is March 10. Tree pickup date is April 13 from noon to 4:30 pm at the Wayne County Fairgrounds in the sheep barn. Order forms are available online at wayneswcd.org and at the SWCD office in the lower level of the Wayne County Administration Building. Payment must be included with orders (cash or check) which will be processed on a first-come basis. For more information, call 330-263-5376.

Lay Pastoral Care

*Submitted by Chris Struzik, Pastoral Care Committee
Chairperson*

A Mindful Reminder...

“Self-compassion is simply giving the same kindness to ourselves that we would give to others.” – Christopher Germer

Part of what defines us as at UUFWC, and as a Unitarian Universalist community, is our care and compassion for one another. When there



are needs within the congregation, our Lay Pastoral Care Team, in cooperation with Rev. Walter, provides outreach to members who are dealing with life issues such as aging, health issues, death, grief and other challenging life situations. This includes personal visits and phone calls. We are here for you to provide a listening heart and ear, respecting the worth and dignity of every person and maintaining confidentiality.

Please let us know if you would appreciate us reaching out to you by emailing care@uufwc.org, or by calling the church office at (330) 262-9194. Look for our “UUFWC Cares” button at service to speak to a member of our ministry.

Greeter Notice

The Spring (March, April, May), schedule is now available in the lobby. We are working on getting the schedule on the computer, for those who want or need to sign up that way. We all will be instructed on how to access it and use it. There will still be the pencil and paper schedule for those who want to continue scheduling the current way. THANKS FOR YOUR WARM, WELCOMING SMILES!!



The UUFWC is the official sponsor of the **Wooster Bike Crew**. While the Wooster Bike Crew functions under the auspices of the BSA (Boy Scouts of America), it is an inclusive Venturing Crew, welcoming all-gender youth aged 14 and above. The **Wooster Bike Crew** has two primary goals:

- It gets teens involved with volunteering in their community to build their service record.
- It teaches teens to repair, ride safely, camp with, and use bicycles daily, promoting green mobility.

The current Wooster Bike Crew has 5 teenagers and 10 adult leaders. Adult leaders have completed a background check and the Youth Protection Training program that assures safe contact and communication between youth and adults.




The primary volunteer component of the Crew has been to run the **Wooster Bike Compost** program. With an initial donation of 10\$, each participating household gets two 5-gallon buckets with a logo. (Hello Inez and Jim!) In rotation, once a bucket is full, Crew members pick up & return it for 5\$. Our composting site is at the Muellner Park (corner of Oakhill and West Wayne Ave.). A half cubic foot bag of cured compost mixed with potting soil will be available for 20\$/5-gallon bucket. Money raised helps Crew members maintain biking gear and plan/undertake bicycle trips.

A secondary service program of the Crew is the **Wooster Bike Recycle** program. Community members

donate used bicycles and the Crew repairs and upgrades them with bike-rack and kickstand. The bicycles are then available for purchase to the public for \$150. Crew members may use the bikes for free, but they are responsible for maintaining them. (We are currently seeking adult volunteers (ex. retirees) who might be interested in helping with bicycle repair & repair training).


In addition to an anonymous UUFWC donation through the Wayne County Community Foundation of \$2,500, we have received many bike donations from other members of the UUFWC! Your generosity is much appreciated. Thank you for your support!



Teenagers 14 to 21 (boys & girls) & registered adult leaders conduct missions on bicycles to help Wooster citizens.
Take Bike Camping Trips.
Learn Bike Repair.

Eric SNIDER Duncan GRIMES
Crew President Vice-President

Martin LUBELL
Crew Advisor
(330) 391-1472 (cell)
wooster.bike.crew@gmail.com



Lastly, we organize the **Wooster Bike Party** on the 2nd Sunday of every month, meeting at 3pm at the **Wooster Bike Space** (751 West Wayne), and leaving for a different ride each time, at 3:30pm. Some of us in the **Wooster Bike Crew** accompany the guest riders (usually from Wooster, Akron or Canton), in case there are mechanical or tire issues along the route. We hope that some of you will join us at one time or another. We will adapt the bike ride to who is riding with us. It does not have to be a difficult ride.

This Month's Meetings

[See all the events on our website: https://uufwc.org/calendar/](https://uufwc.org/calendar/)

Meetings may be held in-person or via Zoom. Please contact the meeting leader listed below prior to the meeting to get the Zoom link.

The Humanist Group will meet on the first and third Sundays in the Large Group Meeting Room at 11:30am.

- **Mar. 5** Religious Communities On The Far Right And What It Is Like To Leave Them. -- Vicki McKenna
- **Mar. 19** The US Farm Bill -- David Francis and Jeff Gochnauer

If you are not on the Humanist Group email list, but would like to receive meeting reminders and other information, please send your email address to sherri.goch@gmail.com.

"Humanism is a rational philosophy informed by science, guided by reason, inspired by art, and motivated by compassion. Affirming the dignity of each human being, it supports liberty and opportunity consonant with social and planetary responsibility. Humanism derives the goals of life from human need and interest rather than from theological or ideological abstractions, and asserts that humanity must take responsibility for its own destiny." --The American Humanist Association

The Sunday evening book discussion group will meet on Sunday, March 19 at 7:00 to discuss *The Enchantress of Florence* by Salman Rushdie. For further information contact Bert at bishop.eleven@gmail.com. (If you have too many emails and wish to be removed from the list please let Bert know.)

Choir Rehearsal Wednesdays at 7-8pm. If you have considered joining your voice with ours, mark your calendar.

Folk rehearsal rehearsals Wednesdays at 8:15-9pm. It doesn't matter your playing level, come and make a joyful noise with us!

For more info, contact Sharon Delgadillo, Music Director music.director@uufwc.org

*Spring **COFFEE HOUSE** returns on April 29th, from 7-9pm! Admission is still cheap at the incredibly low price of \$Free! (Cookies and cakes will cost a bit, but the donations go to a good cause.) Looking for singers dancers entertainers jokesters jugglers. Please contact Jim Bird at JimandInez@gmail.com to reserve your spot!*

Madrigal will be November 10th and 11th. Contact Barb Moore, Jim Bird, or Sharon Delgadillo to volunteer or for more information. Madrigal organizational meetings are the first Tuesday of every month at 7pm.

A silent Zen intensive retreat. **Saturday, March 4th**, 8 am to 3 pm. Participants do not need to attend the entire retreat. This event will take place in Wooster. Questions? Contact Steve Berg at ohioberg@gmail.com.

Stand Up for Justice: The UUFWC Racial Justice Team would like to invite the members of the fellowship to join us on the 4th Sunday of each month from 12 to 1 PM at the Wooster Square. We will stand vigil for racial justice. Make your own sign or use signs that are available at the site. Enjoy the presence of your UU friends as we stand in solidarity with BIPOC (Black, Indigenous, and People of Color).

“Coffee with the Minister” every second Sunday after the service. Join Reverend Walter in his office in March 12, to simply chat and ask any questions you may have about Unitarian Universalism or the UUFWC.

The Women’s Group meets for lunch the second Tuesday of each month at 12:30pm. We will meet **March 14th**, 12:30 pm. We will eat at the downtown Buehlers (Towne Market Cafe). We have no agenda except to enjoy each other’s company. Any questions can be directed to Karen.uufwc@gmail.com.

Zen Meditation Returns! Every Monday night at 7pm. Gather in the far corner of Strawn Hall. Contact Steve Berg for details.

The Pastoral Care Team will be meeting the 4th Sunday of each month at 11:30am. If you have Pastoral Care needs, please feel free to contact Rev. Walter at his email address (rev@uufwc.org) or any of the other Pastoral Care members. That includes, Gail Woosley, Steve Berg, Sue Gross, Chris Struzik, or Cherrill Wertz. To anyone who may want to join our team, please contact Rev. Walter for information.

UU Ukes meet the 4th Friday at 7pm in the Large Group Room. Next meeting March 24th.

Drum Circle Returns March 9th at 6pm in the Large Group. Join us for some drumming. You can sit and enjoy, bring an instrument to participate or just clap your hands. All ages are welcome. Please contact David Paul with any questions.

The Wooster Bike Party will take place the 2nd Sunday of every month from 3-5pm, starting March.

Dog Park Meetup & Hiking are hibernating until Spring of 2023.

[See our website for the most current meeting guidelines regarding Covid precautions.](#)

Wish a Happy Birthday to:

Jan Steinbrenner, Betty Schuler, Nancy Hurt, Lindsay Walker, Lowell Steinbrenner, Denise Bostdorff, Susan English



You are warmly invited to the Installation of

The Reverend William Humphrey

East Shore Unitarian Universalist Church

10848 Chillicothe Road

Kirtland, Ohio 44094

Saturday, March 25, 2023

10:30 am*

Please respond to the church office by

The Ides of March

So we may know of your presence

esuucoffice@gmail.com or 440-256-3400

*Gathering and robing of Ministers, Clergy, and Directors of Religious
Education

10:00 am in the Chapel

∞ Masking required ∞



The Unitarian Universalist Fellowship of Wayne County is a member congregation of the Unitarian Universalist Assoc.

How to Find Us: We are located at 3186 Burbank Road, in Wooster, 330-262-9194.

Our weekly Worship Services are in person on Sunday mornings at 10am or watch the service on Facebook Live at www.facebook.com/uufwc. A recording is made available through the Google Groups email, later that day.

Board of Directors: President: Rachel Relle, Vice President: Laura Burch, Secretary: Bonnie Groop, Janice Baxstrom, Merry Gentry, Barb L. Moore, and Barbara Moore.

There is a new phone system! The staff now have individual voicemail boxes: 330-262-9194

Minister: Rev. Walter Clark: rev@uufwc.org

- Office Hours Mondays and Tuesdays from 1pm - 4pm
- TEXT is the best way to communicate, then phone call. E-mail only if you do not need an immediate response.

Office Administrator: Joanna Swartzentruber: fellowship@uufwc.org

- Mon, Wed, Fri: 9am - 1 pm

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