

### **UUFWC NEWSLETTER: AUGUST 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, on our website, and on our Facebook page, later that day.

### August 6 - The Democratic Spirit [Rev. Walter Clark]

As Unitarian Universalists we often talk about valuing the democratic process, however we have seen the process used by those in power to disenfranchise those they do not agree with. What do we do when the process is in equitable?

### August 13 - Make a Splash! [Rev. Walter Clark]

Join us for our second annual lake day at The Lake (2678 S. Hametown Rd, Norton OH 44203)! There will be a brief service before the festivities begin reminding us of the importance of sharing joy together.

Bring your suit, sunblock and light heart and join us! All welcome!

### August 20 - Transforming Conflict [Rev. Walter Clark]

Rev. Dr. Terasa Cooley's 2022 book Transformational Conflict speaks of how conflict stems from what we hold most dear and that any group of people who gather will experience conflict. The key is in how we manage it. Rev. Walter will talk about concepts from the text and how it applies to our UU value of transformation.

August 27 - Summer's Over so What's Next? [Gail Woosley, Commissioned Lay Minister]

Now that summer is over, and everyone is getting ready for the next year, what have you done for yourself physically and spiritually?

### **Minister's Meditations**

Rev. Walter Clark

Summer really wants to be about doing things. With the long days and warmer temperatures, we often find ourselves rushing to fill the time with camping, road trips, family visits, amusement parks, beach holidays, reunions, and picnics. All of this we do in the name of relaxation, which I don't quite understand because after all of my summer fun, I'm exhausted.

One of the things that can be hard to parse is the difference between relaxation and recharging. The summer season is a good time for both, and folks should deliberate in making time for both, but they serve two very different purposes.

Let's imagine ourselves as a set of rechargeable batteries. We are powering some mysterious device that we call "life" and we are currently putting out as much energy as possible to keep "life" happening. Relaxation would be "turning off" this device. You are taking a break from your duties in supplying power to it and just catching a breath. This form of relaxation looks different for different folks. Some may binge a television show on Netflix or read trashy science-fiction or historical romance books. Some play solitaire, some listen to music, some just sleep. Relaxation serves an important function of down-time. It's an attempt to quiet all of the noise of the world and just breathe. It is needed, but it is not enough on its own.

Recharging is doing something that helps you connect or find purpose. You can feel the difference between recharging and relaxing because after a recharge you want to do something. Many of the things listed for relaxation can be recharging if you add intention to them. Maybe the show you binge on Netflix is about a justice issue you are passionate about or challenges your way of thinking in a way that makes you curious. Maybe that binge reading is a self-help book or poetry anthology that makes you see possibilities in yourself or touches your sense of wonder and mystery. Recharging requires some intentionality and effort on our part and at times it can feel exhausting. The UUA General Assembly in Pittsburgh was exhausting, and I was so recharged for our faith afterwards. CERSI was exhausting (not as much as GA) and I met so many wonderful UU folks in our area and saw so many possibilities for working together. It was recharging.

I hope your summer plans allowed you time to both relax and recharge. If not, there is still time. Reconnect with some friends for a game of cards and remind yourself your you love them so much. Go for a walk on your favorite trail (early in the morning before the heat swells) and revel in the lush greens of nature. Find a camping spot where the light pollution is low and marvel at the vast stars and think how you and they are made of the same stuff. Recharge your batteries folks. Life is too short to run on a low battery.



# '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 August, we will share the plate with the Central American Medical Outreach: CAMO.

CAMO (Central American Medical Outreach, Inc.) is a humanitarian organization is to improve the quality of life of people in Central America by strengthening health care systems and promoting sustainable community development. CAMO provides more than 140, 000 life-saving services each year to impoverished people who otherwise would not have access to aid. Learn more at <a href="https://www.camo.org">www.camo.org</a>

### How do you share the plate?

- If you write checks, please communicate your intention on the memo line, eg: '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].



# Last Splash of Summer at Loyal Oak Lake Park SUNDAY, August 13th

11:00 Worship Service (no service at the Fellowship)
12:00 Potluck and Grilling
Play all day until 8:00

Please RSVP <u>here</u> so that we are sure to have enough food for the grill. Suggested donation is \$10/person or \$25/family.

Everyone is Invited for this Last Splash of Summer! Enjoy a sand beach, lifeguards, water inflatables, water basketball and slides, playgrounds, mini-golf, Gaga pit, tether ball, volleyball, potluck, grilling, shady trees, fellowship, and so much fun! Arrive any time. Worship is at 11:00 and the grill will be ready for lunch around 12:00 pm. Stay as long as you like (they close at 8pm). See all the <u>The Lake Park</u> has to offer by clicking the link.

Bring a dish to share, your own table service, a chair or blanket, and something to throw on the grill. Water and lemonade will be provided. We will have some burgers and a bunch of hot dogs to share.

<u>Do you have friends who might be interested in UUFWC? Invite them to join you for a fun introduction to our Fellowship.</u> The Lake is located at 2678 S. Hametown Rd in Norton

# Vegan Potluck

### Submitted by Karen Armstrong

Are you curious about the vegan lifestyle? Are you thinking of cutting back on meat consumption for the good of the planet? How about eating a healthier diet? Wondering about how to incorporate more fruits and vegetables into your life? Are you looking to make connections with other like minded and curious folks? Well then, the answer is clear! Come to the Vegan Potluck at the Fellowship. Join us on Tuesday August 22 or September 26 at 6:15. Please bring a vegan dish to share, your own table service and drink. Please reach out to Karen Armstrong at <a href="mailto:armstrong-armstrong-karen93@gmail.com">armstrong-armstrong-karen93@gmail.com</a> with any questions you may have.

# **Landscape Committee**

#### Submitted by Ruth Sewell

A TREMENDOUS THANK YOU to the many folks who came out on the 2 workdays that we have had this spring. We have cleaned out beds in front and have spread 14 tons of sand along the woods in the back to alleviate the drainage problem next to the woods. Over that, we mulched with wood chips. Last fall, we had removed stumps and snags and poison ivy. We are now ready to construct a children's garden and play area in the shade. WHEW!

We are reviving our Adopt-a-Bed program. We have included a map of the beds with the names of people who have adopted them. Please consider adopting a bed of your own. Some large, crucial beds are adopted, but many smaller beds remain. Many require only weeding. Others are empty and open for some additional plantings of native plants. Check out the map. There is a paper map and a sign up sheet in the lobby.

The landscape committee size has reduced its size to 3 members, who will do the planning for the grounds. We have a a good number of volunteer workers to assist them. The committee members for the year 2023 to 2024 are Merry Gentry, Rachel Derr, and Carol Noel. Please reach out to them with your questions, ideas, and concerns. I came off the committee in July, and now am one of the workers.

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Wish a Happy Birthday to:

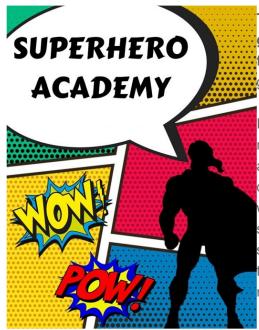
### Wish a Happy Anniversary to:

Bill & Gail Carter, Kristin & Adam Keating, Gene & Helen Meyers, Anne Wilson & Jay Klemme



# **Family Ministry**

From Director of Religious Education, Jenni Papp



This summer we will have programming for children age 4 to 6th grade with youth in 7-12th grade to assist on Sunday mornings from 10-11 AM. Children will not attend the worship service. They will go directly to RE.

From their humble beginnings in comic books of the 1930s and 40s, to modern day blockbuster movies, irreverent cartoons, and thrilling amusement park attractions, superheroes have certainly invaded our cultural zeitgeist. In fact, you'd be hard pressed to find a child today who hasn't fantasized about being a superhero or developing a superpower all their own. But, behind the colorful spandex, superhuman abilities, and crime fighting antics, there are real lessons to be learned from superheroes about anti-oppression, personal responsibility, and love.

### August 6 - Super Hero Academy Welcomes Black Panther! "Leaders are Made, Not Born"

As a leader, Black Panther had to be a good listener and make a lot of hard choices. What can we learn about how to be a good leader from Black Panther?

August 13 - Last Splash of Summer at Loyal Oak Lake Park. See details above.

# August 20 - Super Hero Academy Reaches Out to Ms. Marvel! "Be Sure to Stretch" for Super Hero YOGA!

Ms. Marvel is really flexible; she can bend her body however she likes. Are you flexible? Sometimes, being flexible means you are okay with things changing. Does it ever bother you when plans change?

### August 27 - Super Hero Academy Welcomes Batwoman! "Be True to Yourself"

"When is it okay to question authority?" Batwoman knew when it was okay to question authority because she acted with integrity. What is integrity and how and when should we question authority?

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.

During the summer the nursery is not staffed. Please do not leave children in the nursery unattended. The nursery is always available for caregivers to use and the service audio can be heard in there.

Families are the Heart of Congregational Life at
The Unitarian Universalist
Fellowship of Wayne County

### 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 <a href="mailto:DRE@UUFWC.org">DRE@UUFWC.org</a> with questions.

Jenni Papp, Director of Religious Education, will be out for a

personal leave beginning July 13th through August 18th.

# **UUFWC Yard Sale**

Submitted by Wendy Ziegler-Clark

Friday Aug. 18 @10am-6pm & Saturday Aug. 19 @9am-2pm

(Saturday Aug. 19 @1-2pm: Fill-A-Bag for \$5)

NEEDED: Volunteers!!! Monday Aug. 14 @ 4-8pm: Set-up Crew. Thursday Aug.17 @ 4-6 pm: Presale Cashiers & Room Monitors Friday Aug.18 @10am-6pm & Saturday Aug.19 @9am-2pm Cashiers & Room Monitors.

Saturday Aug.19 @2-5pm: Tear-Down Crew.

All volunteers who work a 2-hr shift get to shop early at the exclusive Pre-Sale Thursday Aug. 17
@4-6pm

Look for Donator & Volunteer Sign-Up Sheets in the lobby

ITEM DROP-OFF: Tues. & Wed. Aug.15 & 16 @5-7pm, and Thurs. Aug. 17 @2-4pm

(All donations of gently used household items to sell welcome. All items must be already priced when dropped off! This is a change from previous sales. Pick up price stickers and a pricing guide in the UUFWC lobby)



# Attention all Actors & Monty Python fans of all ages: "The Search for the Holy Quail" needs you!

Auditions for the Madrigal Mummers' skit will be held in early September.

Look for more details later this summer.



# Membership (and Fun Stuff) News

Committee: Laura Grimm (chair), Cherrill Wertz (secretary and greeter facilitator), Jay Klemme, Laura Moore, Barb Tytula, Doris Bowman, Don Ackerman, and Karen Skubik (Membership Coordinator)

THANK YOU!!! Many thanks to all who attended our 4th of July Party at the UUFWC. We had about 63 come to hang out, share some good food, play games, and watch the City's fireworks. A special thanks to Cherrill Wertz for serving as point person for the event, Gail Woosley for running the grill, Sarah Miles for donating the meat, Jay Klemme for stepping up to help in anyway needed as usual, lan Burns for doing a spirited clean up job and many more of you that helped to set up and clean up. It's always wonderful to have volunteers – everyone benefits when people step up to help – even the person doing the volunteering. THANK YOU!!

#### **WELCOME NEW MEMBERS!!**



On April 30th we honored the eleven congregants who became official members during 2022 and early 2023 with a lovely recognition ceremony. Not pictured here are Jacqueline Belanger and Erin Palmer. We highlighted Kaitlynn Arnholt and Barbara Wilson in our June newsletter. Rhonda Edgerton, Barb Tytula and Joe Tytula were highlighted in July (even though I mislabeled Barb Tytula as Barbara Wilson – sorry about my cutting and pasting error). Don Ackerman's bio was included in our May 2022 newsletter, and today we'll highlight Leah Humphrey and Jacqueline Belanger.



Leah Humphrey is a Wooster native. She is married to her husband, Will, of almost 19 years and has two children, Olivia, 13, and Benjamin, 10. She has been attending the UUFWC since moving back to the area in 2017 and has served as an RE facilitator for the past 6 years. Leah is a youth and family therapist in Ashland, Ohio.

Jacqueline Belanger grew up in Wooster and had absolutely no plans to end up in Ohio as an adult. After 15 years in Massachusetts and then California, she came back to Wooster for "a few months" in 2010. Much

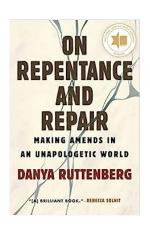
to her surprise, she decided to stay. Jacqueline (does not use Jacky) is a psychologist and has transitioned to having a telehealth practice over the last couple years. She loves spending time with her parents and friends, watching tv, doing home renovations, and singing with the UUFWC choir.



## Library News Submitted by Kay Bowen, UUFWC Librarian

The book described below has been chosen as the 2023-2024 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 language, and a basis for deep meaningful conversations."

ON REPENTANCE AND REPAIR: MAKING AMENDS IN AN UNAPOLOGETIC WORLD By Danya Ruttenberg 202.2 Rutt 2023



"American culture focuses on letting go of grudges and redemption narratives instead of the perpetrator's obligations to or recompense for harmed parties. As survivor communities have pointed out, these emphases have too often only caused more harm. But Danya Ruttenberg knew there was a better model, rooted in the work of the medieval philosopher Maimonides.

For Maimonides, on whose work Ruttenberg builds, forgiveness is much less important than the repair work to which the person who caused harm is obligated. The word traditionally translated as repentance really means something more like return, and in this book, returning is a restoration, as much as is possible, to the victim, and for the perpetrator of harm, a coming back, in humility and intentionality, to behaving as the person we might like to believe we are.

Maimonides laid out five steps for repair: naming and owning harm, starting to change/transformation, restitution and accepting consequences, apology, and making different choices. Applying these steps to both our personal relationships and some of the most significant and painful issues of our day, including systemic racism and the legacy of enslavement, sexual abuse in the wake of #MeToo, and Native American land rights, On Repentance and Repair helps us envision a way forward."

(The above quotation is from the book's front inside flap.)

### Greeter News Submitted by Cherrill Wertz

### **HELLO ALL GREETERS**

We will have an informational meeting for all greeters, new and veteran, on August 27th, at 11:15 following the service. It will not be a long meeting. I would like veteran greeters to have "tips" and/or "important thing to do," to offer in the meeting for new greeters. Please call me with any questions or comments.

# **Social Action in Action**

### Submitted by Betty Schuler, of the Social Action Committee

HABITAT FOR HUMANITY: is a non-profit organization that has provided affordable housing in Wayne County since 1986. Habitat builds homes at reduced cost for families with limited incomes who are willing to contribute their own sweat equity in the building of homes for themselves and for others. Homes are sold with no-interest loans to families who show a desire to become homeowners by completing the Habitat partnership requirements. It has built and sold 85 houses in Wayne County, providing decent and affordable housing for 378 individuals and 80 families. One of the current constructions is at Spring Street and Bever Street just north of Bowman Street.

Habitat for Humanity builds decent and affordable home around the world. They look different around the world to fit in with the many styles and traditions found in the communities where the houses are built. Habitat houses are modestly sized, large enough for the homeowner's family needs, built with locally available materials. Houses in many African countries are constructed with fired clay bricks and tile roofs made of cement or fired clay. Houses in Latin America often are built with concrete block or adobe walls and metal roofs. Houses in the Pacific are often built with wood frames and are constructed on stilts. In the United States and Canada they are typically built using wood frame construction, gypsum board interior walls, vinyl siding and asphalt single roofs. U.S. and Canadian Habitat houses are modestly sized with three-bedroom houses typically not exceeding 1,050 square feet of living space.

In Wayne County income for the construction of new homes comes from the Restore. Habitat has operated the Habitat ReStore since 2004. The store sells discounted building materials, tools, appliances, furniture and lawn and garden items and accepts donations from individuals, corporations and government entities. The sale of these items creates income for use in the construction of new homes. In fiscal year 2020 sales from the ReStore totaled \$330,225. The ReStore started in the back of a semi trailer when construction on State Route 30 required the demolition of several homes and ODOT offered some items from those homes to Habitat. The first brick-and-mortar location was in an old warehouse on Spruce Street. Ten years later, with the building in need of significant repairs, Habitat moved out to East Lincoln Way where they remained for six years until the move to 2700 Akron Road.

Volunteers are essential to the operation of the ReStore. They greet customers, help with donation intake and cleaning and merchandising newly arrive products. All of the cashiers are volunteers sand each takes a regular shift each week. For information about volunteering call 330-264-4999.

On August 28<sup>th</sup> from 2:00 pm to 7:00 pm Habitat will hold its 8<sup>th</sup> annual Blues & BBQ. The meal will be served at the Habitat ReStore located at 2700 Akron Road in Wooster. Dinner tickets are \$25 each. The meal includes ½ BBQ chicken, green beans, apple sauce, dinner roll, beverage and choice of apple or cherry fry pie. Attendees may choose to drive through and take the meal home or remain at the ReStore and eat in their vehicles or at picnic tables provided, weather permitting.

# All Things Green Submitted by Betty Schuler

<u>BUEHLER'S FREE COMMUNITY SHRED DAY</u> will be held at Buehler's Milltown store on Saturday, August 12, from 9:am-Noon Saturday, August 12. All residential and businesses welcome.

<u>UPDATE ON WIND AND SOLAR FARMS IN WAYNE COUNTY</u> At the Wayne County Commissioners meeting on July 12 eight people spoke about the proposed resolution banning large scale solar and wind farms. Commissioner Ron Amstutz then read a prepared statement that said the commissioners would continue gathering input and listening. Following this, the commissioners voted unanimously to approve the resolution. The resolution was not read prior to the vote, therefore the exact language is not available at this time.

<u>CANADIAN WILDFIRES</u> Recently Wayne County experienced haze and poor air quality as a result of wildfires raging in Canada. The following is taken from a report from *The Guardian* dated June 27.

Wildfires raging across Canada have released more planet-warming carbon dioxide in the first six months of 2023 than in any full year on record. This year's wildfire season is the worst on record in Canada, with some 29,000 square miles burning across eastern and western Canada. That is already greater than the combined area burned in 2016, 2019, 2020 and 2022. Hundreds of forest fires since early May have generated nearly 600m tonnes\* of CO<sub>2</sub>, equivalent to 88% of the country's total greenhouse gas emissions from all sources in 2021. More than half of that carbon pollution went up in smoke in June alone resulting in the largest annual emissions for Canada in the 21 years of record keeping.

Canada's wildfire season typically peaks in late July or August with emissions continuing to climb throughout the summer. As of June 27, firefighters were battling 494 blazes throughout the country, more than half of them classified as out-of-control. Drifting smoke from the ongoing wildfires creates curtains of haze and raises air quality concerns throughout the Great Lakes region and in parts of the central and eastern United States. Smoke from the Canadian wildfires blanketed several major urban centers in June, including New York City and Toronto, tingeing the skies an eerie orange. It eventually crossed the North Atlantic, making for hazy skies in Europe as well. Public health authorities issued air quality alerts, urging residents to stay inside. Wildfire smoke is linked to higher rates of heart attacks, strokes land more visits to emergency rooms for respiratory condition.

Forests act as a critical sink for planet-warming carbon. It is estimated that Canada's northern boreal forest stores more than 200bn tonnes of carbon (bn=billion) – equivalent to several decades worth of global carbon

emissions. When forest burn, they release some of that carbon into the atmosphere. This speeds up global warming and creates a dangerous feedback loop by creating the conditions where forests are more likely to burn. \*1 ton equals 1.10231 metric tonnes, 600 metric tonnes equals 661.38 tons.

# EDGE (Elderhood Discussion Group)

The EDGE (Elderhood Discussion Group) has met a total of 3 times, having had a guest speaker from the Wooster PD who spoke on scams in this area; and one from Hospice who informed us about all the services available through them. There are 20-25 attendees at every meeting, and the group has decided to go to two meetings a month with some attending in the morning and the others in the evening - except in those months when we have guest speakers.

This is a lively, fully engaged group...and you are very welcome to join us if interested. The August meeting will occur on Weds the 23rd. We meet at 6:00pm in Strawn Hall, and at 10:00am on that date if there's no guest speaker. Contact Pat McDaniels with any questions.'

# **Committee On Ministry**

### Submitted by John Waldman, Committee on Ministry Chair

A big thank you to everyone who took the Committee On Ministry's congregational survey! We continue to gather more information which, along with your input, is being used to write Reverend Walter's evaluation to be submitted to the UUA in the Fall.

Even though the survey period has ended, the COM welcomes your comments and questions. Please feel free to speak with any committee member (John Waldman, Mary Wicks, Denise Bostdorff, Adam Keating, or Reverend Walter).

We appreciate everyone's continuing interest in this important project.



# mUUsic program news!

Choir rehearsals will resume on Wednesday, August 9th. If you aren't sure of your voice, we will help you learn how to be a better singer. Come and join your voice with ours!

Folk Orchestra rehearsals will resume on Wednesday, August 16th. Any level of expertise is welcome.

### Come and play in the Folk Orchestra!

**Special Music** Want to share your **musical gifts** with us during services? Solos, Duets, and Groups are always welcome! Want to play a ukulele? We have a monthly **UU Uke group**! Want to play percussion? We have a monthly **Drum Circle**! Want to perform in the November 2023 **Madrigal** Celebration? Come and talk with us!

If you are interested in learning about joining the choir, the folk orchestra, or performing special music, we will be having a kick off picnic on Saturday, August 5<sup>th</sup> at 5pm at the UUFWC. Bring your instrument or voice and let's jam together!

Questions? Contact any member of the mUUsic Committee; Sharon Delgadillo, Jim Bird, Mady Noble, Kat Gibbons, Barb Moore, Cheryl Kelly and Bonnie Groop

# **Lay Pastoral Care**

Submitted by Chris Struzik, Pastoral Care Committee Chairperson

### A Mindful Reminder...

"When we don't tell those we love about what's really going on or listen carefully to what they have to say, we tend to fill in the blanks with stories." -

Sharon Salzberg, Real Love: The Art of Mindful Connection

Please let us know if you would appreciate us reaching out to you by emailing <a href="mailto:care@uufwc.org">care@uufwc.org</a>, 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.



See all the events on our website: 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.

Our Sunday meetings will resume on September 17 at 11:30 in the Large Group Room with Humanism 101 presented by Merry Gentry followed by discussion. Come to learn about Humanism for the first time or to refresh your memory!

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 <a href="mailto:sherri.goch@gmail.com">sherri.goch@gmail.com</a>.



There will be no book group article for July. For further information contact Bert at <a href="mailto:bishop.eleven@gmail.com">bishop.eleven@gmail.com</a>. (If you have too many emails and wish to be removed from the list please let Bert know.)

### The Choir and Folk Orchestra are on a summer break from June - July. They will resume in August

**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 <u>music.director@uufwc.org</u>

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

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 will resume in the fall on the 2nd Sunday of each month.

Women's Lunch Group, August 8th, NOON. We alternate (more or less) our meeting location between downtown Buehlers' and the fellowship – not to confuse you, but so we can alternate the preferences of our regular attendees. This month we will meet at the fellowship building, so bring your own lunch and maybe a story to share. Karen Armstrong will let everyone in. We have no agenda except to enjoy each other's company. Any questions can be directed to <a href="mailto:Karen.uufwc@gmail.com">Karen.uufwc@gmail.com</a>. Come join us!

**Zen Meditation! 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 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of each month at 11:30am. If you have Pastoral Care needs, please feel free to contact Rev. Walter at his email address (<a href="rev@uufwc.org">rev@uufwc.org</a>) 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 will be August 25th. Hope to see you there!

### 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 <a href="https://www.facebook.com/uufwc">www.facebook.com/uufwc</a>. A recording is made available through the Google Groups email, later that day.

<u>Board of Directors:</u> In July, the Board will consist of: Laura Burch - President, Sarah Miles - Treasurer, Janice Baxstrom, Barb Long Moore, Merry Gentry, Barbara Moore, Jim Bird, and Jo Harper.

Board executives will be elected at the next Board meeting in June.

Minister: Rev. Walter Clark: rev@uufwc.org, Phone 330-262-9194, Ext #1

- 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, Ext #0

Sun, Mon, Fri: 9am - 12 pm

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If you have news that you would like to have included in the Monthly Newsletter, send it to <a href="mailto:newsletter@uufwc.org">newsletter@uufwc.org</a> by the 17th of each month.

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