

## How To “Do”



UU University provides all General Assembly attendees with an opportunity for in-depth, interactive learning. Each track has been developed and is led by some of the top leaders in our Association and will provide opportunities for in-depth exploration of each topic.

### Which Track?

When you registered for GA you were asked to choose one UU University Programming Track. If you did that, your selected track should appear on your GA name badge. If you did not select a track in advance, please come to the track session of your choice on Thursday by 12:30 PM. A volunteer at the door will register you for the track if space is available and give you a sticker for your name badge.

### When do Tracks meet?

You will meet with your track on:

**Thursday from 1:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. &**

**Friday from 8:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.**

There will be staggered break times in each of the six tracks to improve speedy access to restrooms/services.

### Why is it important to stay in the same track both days?

Staying in the track you signed up for will provide you with the most satisfying experience. Each track is designed as a comprehensive program. This allows the leaders to provide the depth in subject matter that past GA attendees have been asking for.

### Do I need to bring anything with me?

Bring your curiosity, a notebook, lots of questions, and anything that you need to be comfortable: snacks, water, back pillow, etc.

### What will be included in the tracks?

Each track is different but will include daily worship, time for individual and group reflection and opportunities for you to share your own thoughts and ideas.

## Stewardship

### Finding our Common Wealth: Stewardship as Transformational Ministry

Salt Palace – Ballroom EG

Stewardship can be a transformative ministry that speaks to the whole person. Congregations that minister to the entirety of people's financial lives experience an authentic generosity among their members. They assist people in navigating a materialist culture and thereby leave behind cajoling people into giving. We will highlight the courageous work of congregations that strive to be anti-classist in stewardship practices and move away from privilege-based models of fundraising. While current economic trends may promote a scarcity mentality in congregations, it is our intention to pose these challenges as opportunities for deeper ministry within and beyond church walls. Co-facilitated by **Rev. Cecilia Kingman**, Minister, Edmonds UU Church in Edmonds, WA and **Rev. Jeanne Pupke**, Minister, First UU Church in Richmond, VA.



*Rev. Cecilia Kingman*



*Rev. Jeanne Pupke*

## Multigenerational

### A Family Under One Sky: Ministry Across the Generations (Multigenerational)

Salt Palace – 255 BCEF

How might people of all ages, at all stages of faith development, usher in a reign of peace and justice in our congregations and the world? We will explore the practice of building intentional multigenerational community through worship, testimonial, song and story. We will experience 4 kinds of worship with different kinds of leadership:

- Paradise, Beloved Community, the Kingdom of God
- Barriers/Brokenness
- Paths to Healing
- Celebrating Our Gifts of Ministry

Witness ways the sacred speaks through each of us uniquely to make our whole community more in touch with the call of the divine. Co-facilitated by **Rev. Parisa Parsa**, Minister, First Parish Church, Milton, MA and **Robin Barraza**, Director of Religious Education, First Parish Church, Milton, MA.



*Rev. Parisa Parsa*



*Robin Barraza*

# UU University: 21st Century Best Practices for our Congregations

## Multicultural

### Soul Work: Creating Welcoming Multicultural UU Communities

Salt Palace – Ballroom FH

Fulfilling the promise of our second principle requires that we dare to be prophets who work for a Now that moves toward the goal of world community with peace, liberty and justice for all. We will engage in spirited multicultural worship, consider modern racism, oppression and multiculturalism, and engage with panelists on what it means to live a faith committed to Beloved, Multiracial/Multicultural Community. We will gather tools for this work and co-create the connections that help us remember "we are all in this together." This vision of Beloved Multiracial/ Multicultural Community is OURS...**Catch it. Cast it. Lead the way.** Facilitated by **Rev. Alicia Forde**, Program Coordinator for Multiracial Congregations, UUA.



*Rev. Alicia Forde*

## Governance

### Governance: Lighting the Leadership Chalice

Salt Palace – 250

Good governance enables your congregation's leaders to live more fully into your deepest values and achieve your most inspiring dreams. In this governance track, we'll take you from the fundamentals of good governance to the specifics of one particular system: policy governance. Come find out how governance can light your congregation's leadership chalice! Co-facilitated by **Rev. Rob Eller-Isaacs**, Co-Minister, Unity Church in St. Paul, MN and **Laura Park**, Principal, Unity Consulting.



*Rev. Rob Eller-Isaacs*



*Laura Park*

## Justice

### A People So Bold: Justice and Congregational Mission

Salt Palace – 251

How does Unitarian Universalism ground our social justice work in history, theology and spiritual growth? How can we and our faith hold brokenness, injustice and oppression? How might we identify individual and collective prophetic voice and use that power to create prophetic congregations? This track will offer opportunities for participants to explore these central questions. We will also introduce materials from key UU theologians, ministers and educators so that you can engage in the same process back home. Featuring Paul Rasor, Sharon Welch, Marilyn Sewell, Rob Hardies, Paula Cole Jones, Kate Lore, Rob Keithan, Susan Leslie, Adam Gerhardtstein, and many more. Co-facilitated by **Rev. Meg Riley**, Director, Advocacy and Witness, UUA and **Rev. Louise Green**, Minister for Social Justice, All Souls in Washington, DC.



*Rev. Meg Riley*



*Rev. Louise Green*

## Theology

### Theology for a Secular Age

Salt Palace – Ballroom ABCD

For centuries, theology has described how divine revelation accounts for our experience and dictates our actions. What happens to religion when reason, rather than revelation, becomes our most reliable source of knowledge? In a secular age, people who believe in science can be genuinely religious – if theology itself is transformed. Facilitated by **Rev. Dr. Galen Guengerich**, Senior Minister, All Souls in New York, NY.



*Rev. Dr. Galen Guengerich*