

1:30 p.m. – 5:30 p.m.

BOARD DEVELOPMENT FOR THESE TIMES

1:30 p.m. – 5:30 p.m. | 2101

Pacific Western Region of the UUA

Board and clergy teams, this workshop is for you! Re/Build trust within your congregation. Move from an “I” to “We” understanding of church. Courageously lead and stay centered in times of change.

Rev. Dr. James Kubal-Komoto **Rev. Dr. Jonipher Kūpono Kwong**
Rev. Sarah Gibb Millsbaugh **Rev. Sarah Movius Schurr**

CONGREGATIONS AS EMPLOYERS: PUTTING VALUES INTO PRACTICE

1:30 p.m. – 5:30 p.m. | 2102 B

UUA Office of Church Staff Finances and Congregational Life Staff Group

Get grounded in the “employer mindset” and ensure that your staffing practices reflect your mission and values. We’ll explore legal fundamentals, staff retention and development, staffing for diversity, common challenges, and more. Join us for an engaging, interactive experience, and leave confident, equipped, and inspired to be an excellent employer!

Jan Gartner **Connie Goodbread**
Rob Molla **Rev. Dr. Lisa Presley**

1:30 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.

THE WORSHIP LEADER’S TOOL KIT

1:30 p.m. – 4:00 p.m. | 2103 B

Vibrant, meaningful worship arises from the presence, energy, and authority of worship leaders. In this experiential workshop, we’ll explore ways to create worship space that nurtures spiritual resilience: space in which we receive one another as whole beings, and grant courage and healing to one another.

Rev. Erika Hewitt **Kenneth Griffith**

1:30 p.m. – 2:30 p.m.

GROWING UU CONGREGATIONS FOR THE 21ST CENTURY

1:30 p.m. – 2:30 p.m. | 2501 B

All Souls Unitarian Church, Tulsa, OK

All Souls Tulsa has grown increasingly diverse racially and socio-economically, begun video live-streaming, attracted virtual members across the globe, given away over \$1 million. Working with Thandeka, All Souls took another major leap forward. Learn about proven strategies and tools for growing thriving 21st Century UU congregations.

Rev. Dr. Marlin Lavanhar **Rev. Dr. Thandeka**

1:30 p.m. – 2:30 p.m.

CHRISTIAN HEGEMONY: LIVING IN SHADOW OF THE CROSS

1:30 p.m. – 2:30 p.m. | 3501 CD

Allies for Racial Equity

Dominant forces through modern Western history have drawn concepts from Christianity to support systems of oppression. How did hegemonic Christianity, antithetical to the faith of many Christians, come to underpin the Doctrine of Discovery, dominion over nature, and oppression of non-Christians? Join a conversation about impacts and how to resist.

Paul Kivel

ESCALATING INEQUALITY: IMPLEMENTING THE 2017 STATEMENT OF CONSCIENCE

1:30 p.m. – 2:30 p.m. | 2102 A

Commission on Social Witness

How are Unitarian Universalist congregations implementing the Statement of Conscience (SOC) on Escalating Inequality? Join the CSW and representatives from congregations that are doing this type of economic justice work for a lively conversation. Learn about ways that UUs and their partners are together living out the Escalating Inequality SOC.

Jyaphia Christos-Rodgers **Rev. Dr. Meredith Garmon**
Richard Bock **Dr. Susan Goekler**

WAX: YOUTH-CENTERED, ANTI-OPPRESSION MINISTRY

1:30 p.m. – 2:30 p.m. | 1501 A

DRUUMM

Our current paradigm of ministry encourages ministers to be ego-less servant leaders, leaving little room for POC ministers to lead from their experiences. Explore the mini-experiments Sara Green, a southern minister of color, did over the past year to imagine new ways for ministers of marginalized communities to serve.

Sara Green

SALSA, SOUL, SPIRIT: LEADERSHIP FOR A MULTICULTURAL AGE

1:30 p.m. – 2:30 p.m. | 2501 C

Liberal Religious Education Association

Multicultural leadership rests on spiritual responsibility and social accountability. It reflects the interconnectedness found in Native American culture: “We are all related.” Leaders today are called to a new social covenant based on common good, collective purpose and generosity. Multicultural leadership can guide us in creating the good, compassionate society.

Juana Bordas

1:30 p.m. – 2:30 p.m.

RISK-TAKING AND LAW-BREAKING: FAITH-INSPIRED CIVIL DISOBEDIENCE

1:30 p.m. – 2:30 p.m. | 2501 A

Side with Love & UU Young Adults for Climate Justice

Unitarian Universalists historically and today have taken action for justice with an understanding that it is just to break an unjust law and sometimes breaking a law is necessary to prevent a greater harm or injustice. Explore spiritual foundations and cultural contexts for faith-inspired risk-taking and lawbreaking.

*Rev. Elizabeth Nguyen
Elizabeth Mount*

Rev. Amanda Weatherspoon

ADVANCING RACIAL EQUITY THROUGH IMPACT INVESTING

1:30 p.m. – 2:30 p.m. | 2502 A

Unitarian Universalist Association

The emerging practice of impact investing offers the opportunity to achieve market returns while producing positive social benefits to society. We will explore strategies that address racial inequity and hear from practitioners in the field. Participants will discuss a real world case study through small group work.

*Tim Brennan
Pat Tomaino*

Taquiena Boston

MADE, NOT BORN: CULTIVATING LEADERS IN OUR CONGREGATIONS

1:30 p.m. – 2:30 p.m. | 2215 C

UU Association of Membership Professionals

Waiting for leaders to “drop into our laps” is inefficient, frustrating, and ultimately unsuccessful. To meet the call for effective leadership, we need to be proactive and innovative. We will share strategies for cultivating leaders and discuss the challenges and solutions in meeting this critical need

Mark Bernstein

Marie Luna

SAYING YES AND SAYING NO: DISCERNMENT TOWARD JUSTICE

1:30 p.m. – 2:30 p.m. | 3501 EF

UU College of Social Justice

Our common impulse to try to respond to every justice issue is a recipe for ineffectiveness and burn-out. This meditative practice helps participants get centered in their deepest calling, and recognize that saying YES is served by the imperative to also say NO, in order to focus attention and energy.

Rev. Kathleen McTigue

1:30 p.m. – 2:30 p.m.

BLACK HUMANISM IN UNITARIAN UNIVERSALIST CONTEXT AND BEYOND

1:30 p.m. – 2:30 p.m. | 2502 B

UU Humanist Association and UU History and Heritage Society

Black Humanism developed within a Unitarian context but spread far beyond. We consider UU ministers Lewis McGee, a 1940s Unitarian minister in South Chicago, and 20th century William R. Jones, and how their work continues today. We conclude with a powerful voice of Black Humanism from outside the UU context.

*Rev. Dr. Nicole Kirk
Rev. Karen Hutt*

*Rev. Patrice Curtis
Mandis Thomas*

TORDA450: A YEAR-LONG THEOLOGICAL EXPLORATION AND CELEBRATION

1:30 p.m. – 2:30 p.m. | 2104

UU International Joint Working Group

Come celebrate the birth of Unitarianism & religious tolerance 450 years ago and participate as we convene the year-long theological dialogue underway with 5 global U/U leaders. They'll share what's been discovered, and remind us that our faith tradition is grounded in struggle against authoritarianism. It holds us as #LoveResists

*Dr. Stephanie Mitchem
Dr. Rupaia Lamarr*

*Rev. Norbert Racz
Rev. Fulgence Ndagijimana*

ANSWERING THE CALL: SANCTUARY AND IMMIGRANT JUSTICE ACCOMPANIMENT

1:30 p.m. – 2:30 p.m. | 2103 C

UU Refugee & Immigrant Services & Education (UURISE)

Sanctuary has evolved beyond physical sanctuary to encompass strategies that include rapid response and short-term sanctuary. It calls us to bring our best selves to justice accompaniment. We'll start at the beginning and discuss leveraging our privilege, amplifying impacted voices, and organizing to accompany immigrants through the justice system.

Katia Hansen

Rev. Laurie Anderson

INTERFAITH ORGANIZING INITIATIVE-IOI: FAITHFUL DISMANTLING OF WHITE SUPREMACY

1:30 p.m. – 2:30 p.m. | 2103 A

UUA Multicultural Growth & Witness Staff Team & Interfaith Organizing Initiative

IOI is building a large-scale power base with a shared faith-rooted analysis of white supremacy, bringing Black, Brown, immigrant, low-income and faith communities into strategic relationship. Learn to disrupt structural racism, economic injustice, increase civic/electoral engagement, and transform narratives, leveraging the urgency of local issues and assaults through intersectional organizing.

Rev. Dr. Charlene Sinclair

Susan Leslie

1:30 p.m. – 2:30 p.m.

BUSINESS MINI-ASSEMBLY 1

1:30 p.m. – 2:30 p.m. | 2215 A

UUA Board of Trustees

RISKING GENEROSITY: STEWARDSHIP IN THESE TIMES

1:30 p.m. – 2:30 p.m. | 3501 GH

UUA Stewardship and Development

This is no time for a casual commitment to our faith. Money empowers your congregation to live its values. This workshop will encourage and enable you to unlock that power. As we risk generosity, we can meet the challenges of our time.

Rev. Vail Weller

Cheri Taylor

SELF CARE + COMMUNITY CARE FOR EVERY DAY

1:30 p.m. – 2:30 p.m. | 2504 A

YA@GA

Self Care can be a fraught term, but we know that taking care of ourselves and our communities is vital to living spiritually healthy lives. We'll bring our struggles and knowledge to this informal participatory workshop. We will build connections and support to better care for ourselves as Unitarian Universalists.

BUILDING BELOVED COMMUNITY: OUR COVENANT

1:30 p.m. – 2:30 p.m. | 2505

Youth Caucus

Building Beloved Community is an integral part of any UU community. We do this by creating a covenant -- an intentional promise to each other to uphold our shared values. All youth at GA, and all participants in Youth Caucus events, must uphold the covenant we create together.

Jaidyn Bryant

Kari Gottfried

Jennica Davis-Hockett

3:00 p.m. – 5:30 p.m.

AMPLIFYING VOICES OF YOUTH/YOUNG ADULTS OF COLOR

3:00 p.m. – 5:30 p.m. | 2505

Unitarian Universalists have long been drawing the circle wider. The next phase of that work is to examine the space inside the circle and intentionally center those voices on the margin. Join us in this workshop as we examine this spiritual practice.

Shannon Harper

Natalie Briscoe

3:00 p.m. – 5:30 p.m.

CENTERING THEOLOGY: CONVERSATION ABOUT FAITH, RACE AND LIBERATION

3:00 p.m. – 5:30 p.m. | 2501 A

Commission on Institutional Change

Our Association is engaged in an on-going struggle to address the white, heteronormative, economically-privileged nature of the way we exercise our faith. How is our engagement in this dialogue and our engagement with new ways of being a mandate of our beliefs? Come and engage with this crucial issue.

Rev. Dr. Sofia Betancourt

Dr. Elias Ortega-Aponte

Rev. Dr. Pamela Lightsey

Rev. Leslie Takahashi

PROPHETIC RESISTANCE & MULTI-FAITH COMMUNITY ORGANIZING

3:00 p.m. – 5:30 p.m. | 2103 A

PICO Network & UUA Multicultural Growth & Witness Team

The multi-faith organizing PICO Network challenges us to consider are we chaplains for the empire or prophets of resistance? Led by national and local organizers, this workshop covers community organizing basics, faith formation, base-building, and opportunities for creating transformative justice in our communities through sanctuary, organizing campaigns, and electoral strategies

Rev. Deth Im

Rev. Molly Housh Gordon

Alice Chamberlain

Susan Leslie

CHANGING CHURCH WITH THE RADICAL FAHS AND MACLEAN

3:00 p.m. – 5:30 p.m. | 2503

The Fahs Collaborative at Meadville Lombard Theological School

Imagine! Sophia Fahs and Angus MacLean have journeyed from heritage to here-and-now, to help us understand the powerful potential of this moment. Current approaches to how we do church face challenges from within and without. Come engage, explore and experience how these progressive, prophetic educators speak to faith formation today.

Dr. Mark Hicks

Joy Berry

Jamaine Cripe, CRE

LIBERATION OF IMAGINATION: ART, GAMES & SOCIAL CHANGE

3:00 p.m. – 5:30 p.m. | 3501 EF

UU College of Social Justice (UUCSJ) & Art and Resistance Through Education (ARTE)

All are called to engage our creative spirits in the work of making change. Participants will explore ways to confront injustice through artistic expression and the creation of interactive games. We'll discuss how art and play helps generate constructive feedback and builds skills that can transform our activism and ourselves.

Gina Collignon

Marissa Gutierrez-Vicario

3:00 p.m. – 5:30 p.m.

DEMANDING JUSTICE AND EQUITY IN EMERGENCY RESPONSE

3:00 p.m. – 5:30 p.m. | 3501 CD

UU Ministry for Earth, EqUUal Access, UU College of Social Justice
Inequities multiply in disaster situations: prisoners left behind in evacuation zones, ICE patrolling emergency shelters, low-income people displaced or poisoned, people with disabilities left behind... As climate change causes increasing large-scale disasters, prepare to put UU values into action for justice in emergency preparedness and response.

Rev. Suzanne Fast
Aly Tharp

Rev. Susan Karlson

25 YEARS LATER: THE TJ (THOMAS JEFFERSON) BALL

3:00 p.m. – 5:30 p.m. | 2501 C

UUA Multicultural Ministries (Multicultural Growth and Witness)
General Assembly, 1993! All were invited to attend in period dress. “What are WE supposed to wear?” asked UUs of Color. The “learnings” ripple through today’s commitment to de-centering white supremacy. We recognize the living legacy of the TJ Ball as a milestone on our journey toward racial justice.

Rev. Dr. Hope Johnson
Dr. Leon Spencer

Rev. Barbro Hansson
Rev. Dr. Wayne B. Arnason

LOVE RESISTS CRIMINALIZATION

3:00 p.m. – 5:30 p.m. | 3501 AB

UUA, UUSC, UU College of Social Justice
Criminalization is a tactic used throughout the country to dehumanize whole communities, especially Black activists, immigrants, and Muslims. This workshop offers ways to resist through grassroots partnerships, spiritual grounding, ongoing learning, and practical tools for action including direct accompaniment, creative forms of community protection, and campaigns to end cash bail.

Rev. Kathleen McTigue
Hannah Hafter

Rev. Elizabeth Nguyen

3:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.

REIMAGINING SUNDAYS: THE FUTURE OF FAITH FORMATION

3:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m. | 2215 C

Families and congregations are confronting a changing landscape. Sunday morning activities, limited time together, and new options and expectations for religious participation are altering the face of Sunday worship. Join two congregations and *Death of Sunday School* author Kim Sweeney for an exploration of what’s next for faith formation.

Kim Sweeney
Bethany Giammalvo

Rev. Jordinn Nelson Long
Laura Kampa Thompson

3:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.

STEWARDSHIP, JUSTICE, AND WHITE SUPREMACY

3:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m. | 2105

We have learned that economic oppression and white supremacy are linked. We also understand that strong congregational finances give us resources to create beloved communities where we can work to dismantle white supremacy. Join us to discuss creating systems of stewardship that reflect our values around power and accountability.

Rev. Jacqueline Brett
Mark Ewert

Jessica Cloud
Rev. Mary Katherine Morn

SOCIAL WITNESS SERMON CONTEST WINNER

3:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m. | 2102 A

Commission on Social Witness

The winner of the Social Witness Sermon Contest will preach their sermon.

Rev. Dr. Meredith Garmon

A TRUE STORY OF CHURCH-PLANTING

3:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m. | 2502 B

Launchpad

Join Rev. Duncan Teague and Rev. Jake Morrill as they share their true story of “experi-failing.” Two unlikely UU church-planting locations (rural Appalachia and urban Atlanta), work together and are informed by effective concepts and principles of church-planting and spin off satellite congregations.

Rev. Duncan Teague

Rev. Jake Morrill

FINDING OUR RELIGION: A GUIDE TO FAITHFUL RESISTANCE

3:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m. | 3501 GH

Starr King School for the Ministry

Our government is moving toward authoritarianism, our rights are being steadily eroded, and an ugly pseudo religion is being used to justify it all. In order to resist and reclaim our nation, we must rediscover and reclaim our own progressive religious power and use it for good.

Rev. Rosemary Bray McNatt

TORDA450 INTERNATIONAL WORSHIP SERVICE

3:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m. | 2104

UU International Joint Working Group

U/U leaders from around the world will lead a worship service celebrating the living legacy of the Edict of Torda—including what U/Us around the world are called to do to fulfill the Edict’s vision of religious freedom.

Fulgence Ndagijamana
Rev. Lidia-Emese Bodor

Norbert Racz
Rev. Roger Bertschausen

3:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.

UU VALUES AT WORK

3:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m. | 2504 A

YA@GA

We are all called to help build the beloved community, but not everyone needs to be a religious professional! Part-career panel, part-prophecy, join us to hear from people who live our faith values in their work (paid and unpaid) outside the box of what is generally considered ministry.

Helen Harris

Liz Komar

Shari Halliday-Quan

BUSINESS MINI-ASSEMBLY 2

3:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m. | 2215 A

UUA Board of Trustees

4:30 p.m. – 5:45 p.m.

CHOIR REHEARSAL 2

4:30 p.m. – 5:45 p.m. | 2104

The second of four choir rehearsals in preparation for Sunday worship. The GA Choir Director is Anne Watson Born, Director of Music Ministry at the First UU Society in Newton, MA. Accompanist is Kenneth Griffith, Music Director from the UU Church of Greater Lynn, MA.

Anne Watson Born

Kenneth Griffith

4:30 p.m. – 5:30 p.m.

#UWWHITESUPREMACYTEACHIN TRANSFORMING OUR FAITH

4:30 p.m. – 5:30 p.m. | 2215 C

Black Lives of Unitarian Universalism

In the spring of 2017, three religious educators of color led an unprecedented dialogue across our denomination on how white supremacy was present, even in spaces considered progressive and liberal. Hear from the originators of the Teach In movement and learn how to keep the momentum going.

Aisha Hauser

Christina Rivera

Kenny Wiley

ADULTING AS UUS: WORK AND BEYOND

4:30 p.m. – 5:30 p.m. | 2504 A

YA@GA

Whether or not you attended the “Why We Keep the Faith” panel, come join us for conversation on living our UU values as young adults, beyond paying the bills. How do we deal with food, housing, safety, etc. through a lens of our UU faith?

4:30 p.m. – 5:30 p.m.

PROPOSED CONGREGATIONAL STUDY/ACTION ISSUES FOR 2018-2022

4:30 p.m. – 5:30 p.m. | 2215 A

Commission on Social Witness

Advocates for proposed congregational study/action issues (CSAIs) will present their ideas and respond to questions. Those interested in each issue will then meet to plan presentations during the Friday General Session where delegates will select one CSAI for 4 years of congregational focus & a possible Statement of Conscience.

Dr. Susan Goekler

Rev. Dr. Meredith Garmon

Richard Bock

Jyaphia Christos-Rodgers

GET A GRANT FROM THE UU FUNDING PROGRAM

4:30 p.m. – 5:30 p.m. | 2102 A

UU Funding Program

The UU Funding Program will award \$1,065,000 in grants to innovative, exciting projects that build our movement and connections, increase UU involvement in justice work, and organize for systemic change. Come meet the people who give it away and see if your project can receive funding.

Hillary Goodridge

Michelle Rediker

Rev. Samuel Prince

Rev. Katie Kandarian-Morris

HOLISTIC MANAGEMENT: HEALING SYSTEMS, SPIRITS AND SOCIETY

4:30 p.m. – 5:30 p.m. | 2105

UU Young Adults for Climate Justice

“Holistic Management” is a philosophy and agricultural practice for regenerating healthy ecosystems. Learn about holistic management principles from local prairie restoration expert Julie Mettenburg, and explore the intersections of praxes for healing our Earth, our spirits, and our society with UU Minister Sara Green and UU seminarian-farmer, Ariel Aaronson-Eves.

Julie Mettenburg

Sara Green

Ariel Aaronson-Eves

CENTERING THE MARGINS IN OUTREACH WORK

4:30 p.m. – 5:30 p.m. | 2103 B

UUA Office of Outreach & Public Witness

This workshop will focus on the inherent worth of practicing inclusive outreach as opposed to its traditional use as a method for growth. We’ll examine developing relationships, content, and skills for intentionally centering the voices and experiences of the global majority in communicating beyond your congregation’s walls.

Marchaé Grair

Anna Bethea

11:15 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.

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*Anne Watson Born**Kenneth Griffith*

11:15 a.m. – 12:15 p.m.

CALLED TO THE INTERSECTIONS OF JUSTICE

11:15 a.m. – 12:15 p.m. | 2215 C

Ground yourself in Unitarian Universalist theology, history, and spiritual practices to build the courage for intersectional justice work. UU Environmental Justice leaders will share how to follow the lead of communities directly affected by environmental racism, stay spiritually resilient in the face of oppression, and connect the dots between issues.

*Rev. Manish Mishra Marzetti**Rev. Jennifer Nordstrom**Rev. Sofia Betancourt**Rev. Kathleen McTigue***HOW WE REALLY BRIDGE**

11:15 a.m. – 12:15 p.m. | 2502 B

Learn the reality of youth-to-adult bridging, and build a stronger bridge. Hear personal stories, and see the results of an emerging-adult-led 2014-2018 study of young UUs. Practice skills and write commitments to welcome emerging adults into community. Led by emerging adults, for all who support the future of our faith.

*Emily Parker**Yvonne Marcoux**Luka Coole***HAITI AND NEW ORLEANS: DOING JUSTICE AFTER DISASTERS**

11:15 a.m. – 12:15 p.m. | 3501 CD

Lower 9th Ward Homeownership Association; CENHaiti; All Souls Church, Unitarian (Washington, DC);

Grassroots community leaders from Haiti and New Orleans and their UU partners will discuss how individuals and congregations can work with those who have been directly impacted by systemic racism during and after disasters—so they aren't left behind in the recovery.

*Ezechiel Antoine**Galethea Baham**M.A. Sheehan**Armele Vilceus*

11:15 a.m. – 12:15 p.m.

JOINING THE MOVEMENT FOR A LIVING WAGE

11:15 a.m. – 12:15 p.m. | 3501 AB

Beacon Press and UUSC

Annelise Orleck, author of *We Are All Fast Food Workers Now*, and Adanjesus Marin, Director of Make the Road PA discuss the global struggle against poverty wages. Focus is on recognizing the dynamics of inequality in our communities and supporting a movement lead by those most impacted by it.

*Annelise Orleck**Adanjesus Marin***COMMISSION ON APPRAISAL - DISCERNING OUR NEXT STUDY TOPIC**

11:15 a.m. – 12:15 p.m. | 2105

Commission on Appraisal

The Commission on Appraisal is in the midst of discerning its next study topic. This session invites your participation in the selection process. Please come and share your concerns about issues affecting our faith. Your feedback is vital to our study and report process. We welcome your attendance!

*Rev. Xolani Kacela, Ph.D.**Virginia Abraham**Peter Kandis**Holley Ulbrich, Ph.D.***IS REAL DEMOCRACY POSSIBLE**

11:15 a.m. – 12:15 p.m. | 2102 A

Commission on Social Witness

Daring Democracy co-author and Jobs with Justice Civic Engagement Director (leader in Movement for Black Lives) explore movements challenging white supremacy and corporate greed. UUA Congregational Study/Action Issue (CSAI) "The Corruption of Our Democracy" Study Guide co-author facilitates discussion on how UUs can build power to support just democratic practices.

*Ashli Bolden**Adam Eichen**Susan Leslie**Dr. Elias Ortega-Aponte***CONFLICT, COVENANT, AND COMMUNITY**

11:15 a.m. – 12:15 p.m. | 2103 B

Congregational Life

Transformation begins with knowing when--and who--to ask for help. Conflict offers an opportunity for growth and change. Unacknowledged "differences" often create or perpetuate conflict. Covenant is a pathway to building/re-building community so that conflict is transformed into something that all can benefit from and work with.

*Rev. Dr. Hope Johnson**Connie Goodbread**Andrea Lerner**Kathy McGowan*

11:15 a.m. – 12:15 p.m.

GATHERING OUR SELVES: RESOURCES FOR PEOPLE OF COLOR

11:15 a.m. – 12:15 p.m. | 1501 A

Fahs Collaborative/Meadville Lombard Theological School

People of Color impacted by the sting of racism and its pernicious structures rarely have an opportunity to consider its deep impact on their faith formation. Hear first-hand accounts of those who have experienced this spiritually robust program that transforms racial paradoxes, myths, and stereotypes into places for healing.

*Dr. Mark A. Hicks**Rev. Jacqueline Brett**Adam Lawrence Dyer**Claudia Jimenez***WHERE POWER LIVES: MAPPING TO DISMANTLE WHITE SUPREMACY**

11:15 a.m. – 12:15 p.m. | 2102 B

Journey Towards Wholeness Transformation Committee

Power mapping is a strategic tool for identifying power structures and change agents. Using the lens of White Supremacy, we will trace systems that create and protect it, as well as identify influencers in order to create change. Come with others from your congregation if possible.

*Ben Gabel**Elizabeth Mount**Carrie Stewart**Mandolin Restivo***COMPASSIONATE ACTION: BUDDHIST PRACTICES FOR PROPHETIC TIMES**

11:15 a.m. – 12:15 p.m. | 3501 GH

UU Buddhist Fellowship

The UU Buddhist Fellowship offers a participatory, contemplative service with ritual, meditation, music, and reflections on how contemplative practices can ground our activism and develop resilience for challenging times. Explore Buddhist teachings and practices that can guide us in our call to skillful, compassionate action.

*Rev. Judy Zimmerman**Rev. Sam Trumbore**Rev. Florence Caplow***WHAT BINDS US TOGETHER: CULTURE OR PRINCIPLES**

11:15 a.m. – 12:15 p.m. | 2501 B

UU Class Conversations

Is it our culture that binds us together or is it our Principles and Sources? UU Class Conversations will guide participants through an inquiry into our shared identity as Unitarian Universalists and the culture change that may be necessary to welcome people of different classes and races.

*Rev. Kellie Kelly**Rev. Darrick Jackson**Rev. Kimberly Johnson**Sky Stewart*

11:15 a.m. – 12:15 p.m.

WRIGHT LECTURE: THE CONTESTED HISTORY OF RELIGIOUS FREEDOM

11:15 a.m. – 12:15 p.m. | 2501 A

UU History and Heritage Society

Religious freedom has been presented as a timeless American ideal—one that UUs claim—yet Americans have never agreed about what it means or how it should be applied. Tisa Wenger argues that controversies over religious freedom cannot be separated from the histories of race and empire. Conrad Wright Lecture.

*Dr. Nicole Kirk**Dr. Tisa Wenger***YOU'RE THE NEW JUSTICE CHAIR - NOW WHAT?**

11:15 a.m. – 12:15 p.m. | 2101

UU Justice Ohio

Too many congregations engage justice ministry in a diffuse manner; too many issues, too few people. UUJO will share its process of assessment, discernment, training, and planning; offered through a racial justice lens; to help congregations become ready for justice ministry that includes purpose, focus, vision, and spiritual grounding.

*Rev. Chris Long**Rev. Joan VanBecelaere***“WOMEN ARE CALLED TO PREACH” SERMON AWARD CELEBRATION**

11:15 a.m. – 12:15 p.m. | 3501 EF

UU Women's Federation

The winner of the annual UU Women's Federation Sermon Award, Clare Fortune-Lad, Director of Religious Education at the Universalist Unitarian Church of Haverhill, Massachusetts, will deliver her sermon, “#MeToo, Now what?” with the intent of sparking an interactive dialogue between participants to explore the ways that “all are called” to build this movement for gender equity through a spiritually-sustaining lens.

*Rev. Marti Keller**Rev. Beth Dana**Marissa Gutierrez-Vicario**Clare Fortune-Lad***BUDGET HEARING**

11:15 a.m. – 12:15 p.m. | 2502 A

UUA Board of Trustees

The budget for fiscal year 2019 will be presented in general session by the Financial Secretary. This hearing gives delegates a chance to ask questions about the budget and hear from the financial officers of the Association.

*Lucia Santini-Field**Tim Atkins**Tim Brennan***BUSINESS MINI-ASSEMBLY 3**

11:15 a.m. – 12:15 p.m. | 2215 A

UUA Board of Trustees

11:15 a.m. – 12:15 p.m.

MORAL INJURY: THE WAR INSIDE

11:15 a.m. – 12:15 p.m. | 2103 C

UUA Ministries and Faith Development

For war veterans, moral injury can lead to despair and even suicide. Join VA Chaplain and UU Minister, the Rev. Chris Antal, to learn about how his work bringing civilians and veterans together to share the moral burden of war through storytelling and ritual, so that healing might be possible.

Rev. Chris Antal

Rev. Sarah Lammert

ISLAMOPHOBIA: GLOBAL AND LOCAL

11:15 a.m. – 12:15 p.m. | 2103 A

UUSC

Islamophobic political movements have gained power in the U.S., Europe, and South and Southeast Asia in recent years, drawing on a shared pool of anti-Muslim rhetoric and conspiracist misconceptions about Islam and Sharia Law. This workshop draws the connections globally and locally between these movements and explores strategies for resistance.

Josh Leach

Margari Hill

Emina Bužinkić

LIBERATING OUR RELATIONSHIPS

11:15 a.m. – 12:15 p.m. | 2504 A

YA@GA

Navigating relationships, whether with family, lovers, friends, or partners, can be tricky. Narrow societal norms and expectations about relationships definitely don't help. Hear from UU young adults who will share about how they've been able to reshape, expand, and liberate the relationships in their lives.

UU THEOLOGY WORSHIP / WORKSHOP

11:15 a.m. – 12:15 p.m. | 2505

Youth Caucus

Half way through GA take a breather! Come into our sacred space to connect with that part of you that has always existed and that which is bigger than you. Go deep with our healing UU theology in community. Especially helpful for those who want to plan Saturday's Community Worship.

Elliot Crary

Emma Merchant

Christa Champion

1:30 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.

THE CALL TO DISOBEY: THE POOR PEOPLE'S CAMPAIGN

1:30 p.m. – 4:00 p.m. | 2501 C

In response to the myriad systems of oppression surrounding us, the Poor People's Campaign is a moral call to eradicate suffering. Led by people directly affected by policies and structures, this workshop will train in civil disobedience, explore the theological foundation for dissent, teach protest songs, encourage testimony and connection.

Rev. Rose Schwab **Durell Gilmore**
Ana Marcela Maldonado Morales Ashanti Spears

DEALING WITH DIFFICULT BEHAVIOR IN THE CONGREGATION

1:30 p.m. – 4:00 p.m. | 3501 CD

Congregational Life Staff

Healthy relationships are the foundation and strength of our covenanted congregations. When disruptive behaviors erupt, leaders are caught between welcoming all and keeping the community safe. Using case studies and interactive presentations we'll introduce proven leadership responses to bullying, inappropriate boundaries, integrating sex offenders along with practices to restore relationship.

Rev. Dr. Lisa Presley **Rev. Dawn Cooley**
Patricia Infante

OCETI SAKOWIN & BEYOND: CREATING TRANSFORMATIVE COLLABORATION

1:30 p.m. – 4:00 p.m. | 2103 B

InterNātionā Initiative for Transformative Collaboration, Stories & Songs of the People

What does it mean to be human? How do we relate with one another and the environment? The InterNātionā Initiative for Transformative Collaboration will share experiences and insights of the Oceti Sakowin water protector camp and create opportunities to practice cultural safety, decolonizing conversations, interfaith and intercultural relationships, and well-being.

Julia B. **Ben E.**
Monisha R. **Jeff I.**

#METOO: CALLED TO CHALLENGE SYSTEMIC PATRIARCHY

1:30 p.m. – 4:00 p.m. | 2503

International Women's Convocation

U*U women worldwide lead their civic and faith communities to confront physical, sexual, economic bullying and abuse in systems of patriarchal authority. With distinguished panelists and small group conversation, we will define the problem and search for answers. As U*Us we will listen, engage and act.

Rev. Marti Keller **Rev. Addae Kraba**
Dr. Rica Lamar **Melissa Stiehler**

1:30 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.

OUTREACH & IN-REACH: ATTRACTING, INTEGRATING, AND NOURISHING UUS

1:30 p.m. – 4:00 p.m. | 2215 C

Pacific Western Region of the UUA

A sea-change is happening in American religion, and spiritual needs have only grown more intense. Take home tools to attract new people, successfully integrate them into community, and nourish their faith for the long haul. You'll integrate perspectives from the fields of growth, outreach, communications, and faith formation.

Rev. Sarah Gibb Millspaugh **Rev. Tandi Rogers**

GETTING TO MISSION: CONGREGATIONAL CONVERSATION AND BOARD DISCERNMENT

1:30 p.m. – 4:00 p.m. | 3501 GH

Unity Consulting

Vibrant religious communities anchor themselves in clearly articulated "Nested Bowls": shared core values, the mission that embodies those values, and ends that describe what it means to live the mission next. Come experience a covenanting congregational conversation process that allows the board to authentically discern and articulate the Nested Bowls.

Laura Park **Rev. Roger Bertschausen**

"CENTERING" LEARNINGS FROM OUR COMMON READ

1:30 p.m. – 4:00 p.m. | 3501 AB

UU Ministers Association

Following on one of the selected 2017-18 Common Read Books this workshop will explore a) the anti-oppression paradigm shift that the book *Centering* represents, b) the spiritual act of centering the historically and personally marginalized, and c) reflection on the lessons from the common read of the book.

Rev. Mitra Rahnema

CENTERING TRANS EXPERIENCE IN UNITARIAN UNIVERSALISM

1:30 p.m. – 4:00 p.m. | 2501 A

UUA - Multicultural Growth and Witness

Unitarian Universalism has long lauded itself as a welcoming space for transgender experience and expression. However, trans UUs share a different experience. In this workshop we will center trans UUs and trans UU religious professionals to live into UU beliefs/principles by developing empathy, awareness, and insight into trans experience.

Rev. Michael Crumpler

1:30 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.

BE BOLD! VITAL MULTICULTURAL CONGREGATIONS AND COMMUNITIES

1:30 p.m. – 4:00 p.m. | 2103 A

UUA MGW

Congregations understand the value and importance of embracing multicultural leadership and ministry – but how? This workshop shares the learnings from Mosaic Makers: Leading Vital Multicultural Congregations conferences and encourages congregations to create a bold vision of multicultural community as well as engaged learning communities to ensure ongoing leadership development.

Dr. Janice Marie Johnson**Rev. Kathleen Owens****Rev. Tania Marquez****Dr. Mark Hicks****CALLED TO PARTNER: EFFECTIVE CAMPUS MINISTRY STRATEGIES**

1:30 p.m. – 4:00 p.m. | 2502 B

UUA Office of Youth and Young Adult Ministries

UUs are called to minister on college campuses where our inclusive faith is desperately needed. Whether we're lay leaders, religious educators, ministers or students we'll explore our personal callings to this work, figure out who our partners are, and leave with concrete steps for moving forward into effective campus ministry.

Rev. Annie Gonzalez Milliken**Rev. Cody Nielsen****Yvonne Marcoux****EYE-TO-EYE PARTNERSHIP: PARTNERSHIP AND ACTION FOR HUMAN RIGHTS**

1:30 p.m. – 4:00 p.m. | 2105

UUSC, UU College of Social Justice, Holdeen India Program, Freedom for Refugees (formally CIVIC), Make the Road PA, RAICES and UU congregations

We will collaborate with the partners and UU congregations that have done accompaniment and/or served as sanctuaries. We expect to engage other organizations with which UUSC has partnerships so that they can share directly with the participants what effective partnership looks like from the perspective of directly affected communities.

Adanjesús Marín**Jennifer Hixon****Jan Meslin****Philip Hamilton**

1:30 p.m. – 2:45 p.m.

CHOIR REHEARSAL 4

1:30 p.m. – 2:45 p.m. | Hall C

The fourth of four choir rehearsals in preparation for Sunday worship. The GA Choir Director is Anne Watson Born, Director of Music Ministry at the First UU Society in Newton, MA. Accompanist is Kenneth Griffith, Music Director from the UU Church of Greater Lynn, MA.

Anne Watson Born**Kenneth Griffith**

1:30 p.m. – 2:30 p.m.

CANDIDATES FORUM

1:30 p.m. – 2:30 p.m. | 2215 A

MINISTERIAL TRANSITION: WHAT IT TEACHES ABOUT UNITARIAN UNIVERSALISM

1:30 p.m. – 2:30 p.m. | 2502 A

The search process for a new minister creates snapshots of what greater focuses are happening within Unitarian Universalism, both in terms of congregational life but also ministry and ministers. How have both changed and remained the same over time? What can this tell us about what's needed and what's next?

Rev. Keith Kron**Christine Purcell****TESTIMONY: UNITARIAN UNIVERSALISM TRANSFORMS LIVES!**

1:30 p.m. – 2:30 p.m. | 2501 B

Church of the Larger Fellowship

Personal testimonies about how lives are changed by Unitarian Universalism. Worship leaders and multiple voices will lift up the saving grace that comes through welcoming, non-judgmental community and the UU message of love and hope. Powerful musical testimony as well. The annual, in-person, CLF Worship Service.

Rev. Meg Riley**Rev. Rosemary McNatt****Glen Thomas Rideout****Mandy Goheen****MINI-ASSEMBLY ON PROPOSED ACTION OF IMMEDIATE WITNESS**

1:30 p.m. – 2:30 p.m. | 2101, 2102 A, 2102 B

Commission on Social Witness

The Mini Assembly is a chance to meet with others who are interested in a proposed AIW. After the facilitators give a brief overview of the AIW process, participants may suggest changes, and offer recommendations. Any amendments must be initially proposed at a mini-assembly.

Dr. Susan Goekler**Rev. Dr. Meredith Garmon****Jyaphia Christos-Rogers****Richard Bock****EVENSONG: SPIRITUAL GROUNDING FOR TURBULENT TIMES**

1:30 p.m. – 2:30 p.m. | 2104

UU Musicians Network

Want to unwind, settle down, go deeper? Evensong services employ singing and silence as spiritual practice; reconnecting with breath, listening with compassion, and becoming more aware of interconnectedness. This hour is part worship, part workshop; a route to replenish one's spirit for the challenges of daily life and justice work.

Keith Arnold**David Burrows**

1:30 p.m. – 2:30 p.m.

CALL AND RESPONSE: LISTENING TO OUR LOST LEGACIES

1:30 p.m. – 2:30 p.m. | 2103 C

Meadville Lombard Theological School

Within Unitarian Universalism, not all those called have been remembered. This workshop will explore how People of Color were erased from UU history and will provide concrete skills for congregations to begin to correct this injustice by creating historical memories in which all who are called are remembered.

*Rev. Dr. Mark Morrison-Reed Rev. Leslie Takahashi
John Leeker*

CALLING FUTURE ANCESTORS - SHAPING OUR LEGACY TODAY

1:30 p.m. – 2:30 p.m. | 3501 EF

Wake Now Our Vision Collaborative Campaign, UUA Stewardship & Development, Stewardship For Us

How are our long range plans informed by our values, beliefs, and loves? How do we understand ourselves as future ancestors of our faith? Our legacies are what we plan for and do now. Concrete resources will be provided, yet let's consider these deeper topics together in this participatory workshop.

Rev. Laura Randall Mark Ewert

WHY WE KEEP THE FAITH: A MULTIGENERATIONAL PANEL

1:30 p.m. – 2:30 p.m. | 2504 A

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Let's be real: At some point, Unitarian Universalism will break your heart. Our faith is built on justice, love, and fellowship, but our actions don't always match our values. Why do we keep the faith? We'll hear UUs of different generations reflecting on these themes and why they've stuck around.

Rev. Danielle DiBona India Harris

TAKING IT HOME

1:30 p.m. – 2:30 p.m. | 2505

Youth Caucus

GA is only five days out of the year, but that doesn't mean that everything you gain here -- the insights, the community, the connections -- needs to stop when you head back home. Join the Youth Caucus deans and other youth leaders for a lively discussion on bringing GA home.

*Annalee Durland-Jones Julia Landis
Ayla Halberstadt*

3:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.

POETRY: WORDS TO LEAD, LOVE AND LIVE BY

3:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m. | 2101

Using elements of theater, award-winning poet and actress, Annette Hope Billings, will perform original poetry and prose which resonates with conference theme. More than just a poetry reading, this will be an experiential, interactive program that demonstrates how words can be both call and response.

Annette Billings

BETTER COPING THROUGH FAITH COMMUNITY: A SUPPORT MODEL

3:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m. | 3501 EF

UU congregations are called to be supportive and resilient communities. People with chronic health conditions experience barriers to their participation, including "invisible" struggles, physical inaccessibility and ableist micro-aggressions. This interactive workshop engages skills for spiritual coping and community-building. Gain resources for an innovative support group, currently successful at multiple congregations.

Megan Dowdell

FAMILY MINISTRY FOR ALL: SUPPORTING FAMILIES OF COLOR

3:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m. | 2103 C

Raising healthy and whole children of color in a UU faith community is an important goal for our congregations. Faith leaders will explore ways to be intentional and holistic in offering support for adults, children and youth dealing with stresses of a society hostile to their culture and lives.

*Jamaine Cripe Aisha Hauser
Jessica York*

WHY TRUTH COMES FIRST IN "TRUTH AND RECONCILIATION"

3:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m. | 2215 A

Commission on Institutional Change

The Commission on Institutional Change was appointed before the last General Assembly and charged in part with conducting a "truth and reconciliation process". Though we are always eager to get to the reconciliation, what have we learned about the truth? This will be an interactive session.

*Rev. Leslie Takahashi Dr. Dereau Farrar
Dr. Elias Ortega-Apoite Rev. Dr. Natalie Fenimore*

3:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.

HEARING ON NEWLY SELECTED CONGREGATIONAL STUDY/ACTION ISSUE

3:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m. | 2102 A

Commission on Social Witness

Come share your ideas! After the facilitators give a brief overview of the CSAI process and some general tips on how to engage effectively, participants will share recommendations for study, action, and resources, including examples of best practices. The hearing will help the UUA Staff create a CSAI resource guide.

Susan Leslie**Dr. Susan Goekler****Rev. Dr. Meredith Garmon**

COVENANT OF UNITARIAN UNIVERSALIST PAGANS SUMMER SOLSTICE CELEBRATION

3:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m. | 2501 B

Covenant of Unitarian Universalist Pagans

All are called to the CUUPS Summer Solstice Celebration. At this time, we will gather individually and collectively to honor the interdependent web of life by transforming acts of justice, love, and energy to dismantle mundane barriers and transform and raise energies while honoring the full humanity of those gathered.

Jerrie Hildebrand**Imari Kariotis**

UU CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP COMMUNION SERVICE

3:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m. | 2104

UU Christian Fellowship

Gather to hear the good news of a liberating faith, alongside the long-time faithful, the newly curious, and others inspired to freely follow Jesus through the UU Christian Fellowship. The Rev. Robin Bartlett will offer an uplifting word, you'll be invited to partake in communion, as you are so moved.

Rev. Robin Bartlett

ADDRESSING CLIMATE CHANGE THROUGH OUR INVESTMENTS

3:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m. | 2502 A

UUA Office of the Treasurer

As required by the 2014 Business Resolution on Fossil Fuel divestment, the Treasurer is required to report to each of the following 5 general assemblies. This will be the fourth report. This workshop will give interested people the opportunity to ask questions about the written report submitted in advance.

Tim Brennan

3:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.

UUJA END OF SHABBAT RITUAL: HAVDALAH

3:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m. | 2102 B

UUs for Jewish Awareness

Havdalah services, UU style, for all UUs interested in our Jewish heritage. We include Jewish ritual and UU-adapted liturgy to inspire every participant. It will also speak to those who come to UUism from Judaism, and who feel the absence of their tradition in our typical worship services.

Rev. Jay Wolin**Rev. Marti Keller****Rev. Tera Klein**

RADICAL UU: LIVING IN THE TENSION

3:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m. | 2504 A

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Join a discussion on how we live into the tension of having radical commitments as Unitarian Universalists and our fear of changing the status quo. We want to hear your thoughts and share ours. We recommend attending "Why We Keep the Faith: A Multigenerational Panel," but it is not essential.

CLOSING CIRCLE

3:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m. | 2505

Youth Caucus

As we take time to honor the relationships we've built, the bridges we've crossed and the transformational moments we've experienced, we're not "closing" the circle, we're widening it. Join us as we send our radical inclusion, theological depth and youth voices into the larger community. This is goodnight, not goodbye.

Luis Catalan**Elena Salgado****Nanda Shewmangal**