



May 13, 2020

THIS SUNDAY

May 17, 2020

10:30 a.m. **Finding Gratitude in a Pandemic**
Youth Group with Carol Zimmerman, DRE

[Click here](#) for instructions on how to join virtual worship on Sunday.

CHURCH NEWS

Annual Gould Discourse - This Friday, May 15 from 7-9pm join Leah Purcell, Director of Family Ministry at UU Albany, via Zoom as she shares her thoughts on Growing Souls in Congregations - Lessons from Nature and the Pandemic. Click the link about to register and receive the Zoom link.

It's Good To Be Together! In this time of constant change, it is more important than ever to connect with each other in new ways. Check **this post** regularly for instructions to participate in the activities listed below, and more!

Caring For Each Other: If you need extra assistance during this time, or you are willing to offer your assistance, please see our announcement **here**.

Drop In Chalice Circle: Now is a great time to join a chalice circle, and this one allows you to come when you can, with no need to attend every time. Join James at 2pm every Thursday on Zoom for a chance to connect, reflect, and unwind.

Sacred Text and Coffee: Join the Rev. James Galasinski on Tuesday, May 19 at 9am via Zoom to read from the Tao Te Ching and discuss as a small group.

Campus Kitchens: There will be no meals on Monday, May 18 and 25. The program will resume in June.

UUA General Assembly: The business meeting of the Unitarian Universalist Association has gone 100% virtual, making attendance possible for anyone with a computer. The cost of registration is now \$150 and church council has set aside funding to pay for registration. If you are interested in attending and serving as a delegate, please **email The Rev. James Galasinski** for more information.

THE WEEK AHEAD

*NOTE: The church building remains closed. All gatherings will take place virtually.
Links and instructions to participate below.*

Thursday, May 14
2:00 p.m., Chalice Circle

Sunday, May 17
10:30 a.m., Worship

Monday, May 18
Noon, Mindfulness Meditation

Tuesday, May 19
9:00 a.m., Sacred Text and Coffee

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWS

Religious Education at Home

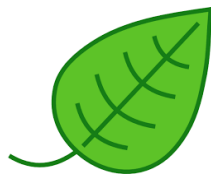
Join an after school [story time via Zoom](#) on Mondays at 3pm. Monday, May 18 join Pete Beekman as he shares one of his favorites.

Our MakerSpace group will [meet via Zoom](#) on Monday evenings at 6:30pm. On May 17, we will look to garden plans and video production.

Join Todd Moe on Fridays at 7:30pm via [Facebook](#) to hear a bedtime story.

Our Jr High OWL Group will have their final meeting [via Zoom](#) this Sunday, May 17.

Our Youth Group will provide the worship service this Sunday, May 17 and share their thoughts on Gratitude During the Pandemic.



It's Easy Being Green!

The dandelion viewed by urban fussbudgets as a pest is actually a wildflower, medicinal herb, and salad green that bees prize for its nectar in the early spring.

(Smithsonian Magazine August, 1970)

COMMUNITY EVENTS

SLU Summer HOSTS Program: If you are interested in helping a SLU student who will remain on campus over the summer, please complete an online form [here](#) by Tuesday, May 19. The 70 students who remain on campus will not have access to dining services and live on limited resources, so being a host would mean helping them with food and supplies throughout the summer, as well as checking in with them and forming a friendship. For more information, contact [Megan Putney](#).

Biodiversity Sunday: UUMFE has compiled a number of resources and will offer a live program on Sunday, May 17 - check it out!!

Saving Seeds in SLC: Laurel Balog is conducting a seed saving and seed exchange network study for her master's degree in Sustainable Food Systems at Prescott College. Her study is focused in the St. Lawrence County region and aims to understand current food and medicinal crops and varieties being grown and saved in the area, along with seed exchange networks and their implications for seed sovereignty and resiliency. This can illuminate pathways to enhance the seed saving system and impacts on our food system. Participants must be 18 years of age or older. If you can help, please take the survey [here](#). If you have any questions, please contact Laurel at laurel.balog@student.prescott.edu.

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