

LAKESHORE UNITARIAN UNIVERSALIST FELLOWSHIP



A welcoming and accepting, diverse and inquiring spiritual fellowship

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February 2

"Welcoming the Outsider" Karon Sandberg

Admit it, most of us live in our little bubbles of folks pretty much like us. But it feels to me that the work of engaging in diversity and welcoming the other is now in our hands. Our nation seems to be pushing back on this and even targeting the other. As folks who hold to a liberal faith and a welcoming heart, there is work to do.

Karon retired as a Hospice Chaplain, but we're happy that she's a regular speaker at LUUF.

February 9

"When the Brain Changes" Shari Fairman

Dementia and other brain changes impact the brain differently in each person. What are some of the symptoms of brain change and how do these symptoms change as the disease progresses? As a community, how do we encourage those experiencing brain changes? How can we keep them engaged and maintain their sense of belonging in our fellowship? How do we support caregivers?

Sheri Fairman has a Master's degree in Social work with over 15 years of experience working with the elderly and their care partners. She is a Certified Independent Champion Teacher, Trainer, and Advanced Consultant with Teepa Snow's Positive Approach to Care and works as a Mentor on her team. Fairman is the owner of Dementia Care Solutions and provides consulting, coaching, training, and presentation services specific to quality dementia care.



Sheri has developed an approach to dementia care called the Fish Approach. This is a communication focused approach to dementia care allowing care partners to identify their own verbal interactions and how to make a shift to better support people living with dementia.

February 16

"As If" Tony Larsen

"As if." Two words, two syllables, four letters. Such a short phrase, yet it can sometimes help us navigate the ups and downs of our lives. Tony's sermon will explore the power of *as if* to change what *is*; its use in making new scientific discoveries (think Albert Einstein); and its spiritual implications (especially as it impacts our UU principle of affirming the inherent worth and dignity of every person, and widening our circle of inclusion).

Tony is a retired UU minister.

February 23

"The Art of Inclusion" Jim Neilson

A collection of strikingly powerful photographs by James "Spider" Martin and Gordon Parks that caused the kind of change the heart and soul needed to grow in hope and love. Sometimes, we can't imagine what (and who) inclusion looks like until we see it printed and framed.

Soup Sunday (Pot Luck) and collection for community outreach charities

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Email Kim Everett at kimeverett60@gmail.com

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LUUF BOARD BRIEFS

At our January meeting, the Rev. Matt Sauer spoke to the board about the fund drive for the building of an expanded **Manitowoc Warming Shelter**. This stand-alone shelter would house **24 guests** and would have adequate bathroom and shower facilities. (The current shelter at First Presbyterian Church is limited to 12 individuals and has only one bathroom.) This expanded shelter would operate as an **emergency warming shelter during the winter months**. The ultimate goal is for individuals from the shelter to transition into The Haven or Hope House and from there transition into affordable housing.

Currently, the Warming Shelter Steering Committee is working with the City of Manitowoc to find the best location for the new facility. The estimated cost of the project is \$1.2 million dollars with the hope of opening the new facility for the season beginning November 2026.

The Steering Committee is asking “all faith communities in Manitowoc County committed to living out Matthew 25:40” to contribute \$10,000 each to this project. The money pledged could be paid all at once or over a period of three years. Our board will be voting on this “ask” at our February 5th board meeting. If you have any questions or concerns, please contact a board member.

Please stay warm and well this February.

Sandy Bast, Co-President LUUF

BE VIGILANT

The Fellowship directory was obtained by someone who used it to text a number of the members with a fraudulent text message. The text message pretended to come from Rev Karon Sandberg and if the recipient replied to that message, a request was made for gift cards. As far as we know, no one complied with that. But this person may attempt another avenue so we ask that everyone be vigilant. If you get an email or text that looks unusual — especially if there is a link embedded— do not reply or click on the link. Always check the sender email address, even if s/he identifies as a Fellowship member. The directory has the correct email for each member for comparison. Don't be 'shy' about checking anything that concerns you. If you have questions or think you may be getting another scam, please contact Chris Linn. Clinn47@yahoo.com or 505-603-0237

LAKESHORE UNITARIAN UNIVERSALIST (LUUF) LAY MINISTRY

Theologically, LUUF Lay Ministers are as diverse as Unitarian Universalist among our Lay Ministry you will find a variety of spiritual perspectives and beliefs about the sacred.

LUUF Lay Ministers are committed to serving all Fellowship members and friends, with the utmost of compassion and discretion. If you're in need of a good listener, connection, support and/or resources inside, or outside our Fellowship, in times of illness, or another of life's challenges, or to officiate at dedications, weddings, or funerals, please don't hesitate to contact any of the following LUUF Lay Ministers:

Linda Hunter lhunter740@gmail.com Jim Hollahan jim.hollahan@gmail.com
Ginny Finnel amanuensis_vlf@yahoo.com

Welcome New Members



Chris Linn was born in Milwaukee and moved with her family to Wauwatosa when she was a one-year old. She left for college (BA in Theatre) in Illinois and then back to Wisconsin where she spent some time as a city-slicker-back-to-the-farm-hippie before finishing her Masters in Art Administration at Madison. She spent the next 35 years running non-profit organizations in Michigan, Wisconsin and New Mexico, (a mix of social services and arts-related). She met Ginny Zipperer in 1985, while back in her Tosa home, and then left with her for a Southwest adventure in Santa Fe for 27 years. In 2013, they were married (by a UU minister). Ready for more adventure, they spent five-years on the road (see Ginny Zipperer's bio), including five winters in Tucson where she found a great community. Her real passion over the years has been dogs and dog-training (obedience and sports) and she expects to work more on her baking skills now that she again has a 'proper kitchen.' Even though she lived for 45 years in the upper Midwest, the last 32 years turned her into a desert rat, so the Wisconsin winter re-introduction has been challenging. She is happy to have the warm welcome at the Fellowship to make it a little easier.



Virginia (Ginny) Zipperer grew up in the Manitowoc area but has lived most of her life elsewhere. In her college years she became hypnotized by a spinning potter's wheel which led to a lifelong desire to make things out of mud. She pursued a career as a potter and clay artist first in Milwaukee and later in Santa Fe, NM. During periods of artistic burn out she worked for a number of different social service agencies including Planned Parenthood, domestic violence centers & shelters for homeless youth. In 2019 she & her wife, Chris Linn, sold their house in Santa Fe & bought a motorhome in which they spent the next 5 years traveling the western part of the US. This past summer they ended their wandering ways and are now settled into a home four blocks from the lake just around the corner from the UU Fellowship in a neighborhood that they are very much enjoying.



Lane Braun was born in Manitowoc in 1968. He attended St Michael's grade school in Whitelaw and graduated from Valders High School in 1987. Uncertainty shadowed Lane for the next year and a half where he worked various jobs. Eventually, he settled on a career in education and graduated from La Crosse in 1994. Since then he has taught in several school districts in Wisconsin as well as eighteen years teaching internationally including Venezuela (1997-2002), Qatar (2002-2006), Venezuela (2006-2008), South Korea (2009-2016), and Guatemala (2019-2020). Lane also traveled throughout much of Europe in the fall of 2002 for three months. While teaching abroad, Lane took advantage of each respective host country to experience nearby cultures during holiday breaks. In all, he has visited at least 40 countries. In April of 2020 he purchased Kathie's Irish Stage Door Pub, a pub he frequently visited when he'd return home for summer vacations. Lane has a twelve-year-old son, Bene (bay-nay). Presently, he teaches in the Denmark School District as an elementary ESL teacher.



A big thank you to our dedicated Fellowship greeters, always smiling and welcoming every Sunday.

How would we ever find out service guide, handouts and get ourselves to our seats in time for Enter Rejoice and Com in.

GREETER SCHEDULE FOR FEBRUARY AND MARCH

February 2-----Suzanne Zipperer

February 9-----Mary Jo Urban

February 16-----Roger Bennin

February 23-----Albert Sears

March 2-----Mary Dean

March 9-----Jennifer Hollahan

March 16-----Scottie Pedersen

March 23-----Linda Wenzel

March 30-----Jim Rabata



Adult Activities

Wintertime Activities continue, as one is deleted, and one is added. The Friday AM walking proved rather unpopular, so it has been dropped as an “official” UU group activity, but the opportunity to walk at the indoor facilities at Citizens Park remain. Note that the hours have changed, with the “Stop” time being moved from 10:30 to 10:00 AM.



New for February will be **SWIMMING** at The Village Inn! This is scheduled for 9:00 AM , **THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 6**. The AdAct committee will provide a wee Continental Breakfast, as well as your entry/usage fee, so just bring your swimsuits and come Play in the Pool!

All **CRAFTERS** are encouraged to join the fun on **WEDNESDAYS** at the **FELLOWSHIP**, from 3:00 to 5:00. If you are curious or interested in observing or learning something new, you, too, are encouraged to attend...who knows what doors may open, talents revealed!



We’re holding a **LUUF CHILI COOK-OFF**, so dig up your favorite blue ribbon recipes! **SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 23**, following the Sunday Service, this will serve as a fund-raiser for the new Homeless Shelter in Manitowoc. The cooks shall remain anonymous, but your votes for your favorite chili will be cast as \$\$\$ deposited in the coinciding container. Following the meal, the money will be counted, the cook with the most money will be announced, and that

Winning Individual will receive two tickets to the up-coming Masquers play “**MAKING GOD LAUGH!**” to be staged the first weekend in March! This is a Challenge you cannot resist!!

BOOK CHAT will be **WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 17** at 3:00 P.M. The Book is **YOUR CHOICE** this time...a Great way to hear of favorite reads from others and to expand your reading list. The gathering in January for **THE LEMON TREE** was fantastic, the consensus being this book is a very good “clarifier” for understanding the complicated history of the Israeli-Palestinian “conflict.”



.....And, so goes February, inching us a wee bit closer to Spring!



Advancing UU Values in the Nation's Capitol

Ways you can help, these are generally simple click and sign action alerts.

- 1. Selecting issues** strategically that are moving in Congress and making it easy for UUs to express their views to Congress on those issues. This is called *Write Here! Write Now!* (WHWN), and UUSJ typically does it every other month. Email anna@uusj.org to be informed of WHWNs.
- 2. Arrange meetings** with Congressional staff so UUs can talk to Congress. These meetings have expanded virtually so everyone nationwide can meet with their legislators! The meetings typically happen in the second half of a Write Here! Write Now! Month, and are usually aimed at the same topic. Email anna@uusj.org to be informed of upcoming meetings. You will be told about upcoming meetings if you are already signed up to be notified about WHWNs.
- 3. Publicizing Action Alerts**, where individual UUs may sign a letter to their Congressional representatives advocating for a solution to a particular injustice. These differ from WHWN letters in that they arise quickly and require no customization. Just enter your name/address and send. Look on the uusj.org home page for current action alerts.



HANG WITH THE GROOVY CROWD!

IT WILL BE FAR OUT, COOL FUN!

FUNKY TIMES!

ESPECIALLY IF YOU DRESS THE PART!

Join Claran and Roger

At the Stage Door Pub

Help them celebrate their birthdays

February 2

2-6pm

Be there or be square!

The first weekend of February is halfway between Roger's 60th birthday (December 25th) and Claran's 70th birthday (March 9th). We are hosting a party to celebrate!

Lane has graciously offered his establishment, The Stage Door Pub (one of our favorite hangouts) for the celebration. '60's or '70's attire is highly encouraged and there will be a costume contest, trivia, 60's and '70's music, food and fun! Please respond in the comments so we know about how much food to prepare.



Manitowoc Public Library

GREAT DECISIONS 2025

Lecture & Discussion Series

Mondays, 6-8PM | February 3 through March 24

SCHEDULE



- **February 3:** U.S. Changing Leadership of the World Economy with Pablo Toral, PhD, Beloit College
- **February 10:** After Gaza: American Policy in the Middle East with Beth Dougherty, PhD, Beloit College
- **February 17:** The Future of NATO and European Security with Martin Farrell, PhD, Retired, Ripon College
- **February 24:** International Cooperation on Climate Change with Elizabeth Wheat, PhD, UW Green Bay
- **March 3:** AI and American National Security with Dave Schroeder, MS, MA, CISSP, CEH, UW Madison
- **March 10:** U.S.-China Relations with Judd Kinzley, PhD, UW Madison
- **March 17:** India: Between China, the West, and the Global South with Amitabh Pal, Journalist/former Editor of *The Progressive*, Adjunct Professor at Edgewood College, Madison
- **March 24:** American Foreign Policy at a Crossroads with Martin Farrell, PhD, Retired, Ripon College

PLEASE NOTE: Great Decisions 2025 will be presented in a hybrid format—offered in-person in MPL’s Balkansky Community Room, as well as livestreamed simultaneously online on both our Facebook page (www.facebook.com/manitowoclibrary) and YouTube channel (unless otherwise indicated).

LUUF ENVIRONMENTAL AND SOCIAL JUSTICE INFORMATION AND EVENTS PAGES



WE ARE:

ALL CONNECTED

STRONGER TOGETHER

LOVE'S HANDS IN THE WORLD

CALLED TO CREATE JUSTICE

**RESPONSIBLE FOR ONE
ANOTHER AND THE EARTH**



We are called to put our UU values and faith into action to build a world that is peaceful, compassionate, just and sustainable.

In the tradition of UU's, our Fellowship, it's members and friends live our UU principals by participating in many social and human concerns endeavors. Social Action is the lifeblood of our Fellowship. It nourishes us spiritually and enriches our community.

LUUF's Social Justice committee sponsors many different ways to make a difference in the world through social justice and community outreach. We work with partners in the community at various concerns throughout the community and are often well represented. We have a strong commitment to social justice, supporting and encouraging our members and friends to be involved in some way with our social justice outreach activities.

Our Fellowship offers members and friends many hands-on opportunities to create social justice

Hope House of Manitowoc County



Hope House, a program of Lakeshore Interfaith Hospitality Network and an affiliate of Family Promise, is a non-profit organization whose purpose is to provide immediate shelter and guidance to homeless individuals and families. Contact Kim Everett kimeverett60@gmail.com if you are interested in volunteering. Information and training will be provided.

InCourage - Domestic Violence Center

Provides shelter, crisis intervention and supportive services for survivors of domestic and sexual abuse and their families, with a commitment to safety, respect and self-determination.



Painting Pathways



Painting Pathways Clubhouse empowers adults with diagnosed mental illness by building community, supporting recovery and changing lives.

Two Rivers Ecumenical Pantry (TREP)

Food assistance for those in need. Serving Two Rivers, Mishicot, and surrounding areas.



The Haven of Manitowoc County



The Haven of Manitowoc County provides shelter for homeless men for up to 90 days and offers a program to help them regain their independence

TREP Food Pantry



Lakeshore UU members and friends will once again collect and donate non-perishable foods to TREP (Two Rivers Economical pantry). Canned, in a jar or boxed food (**NO fresh food items will be accepted**). You'll find a box in the front entryway of the Fellowship beginning Oct. 1st . Please drop off any donations when you arrive for Sunday Services. Melody Hanson has agreed to deliver the donations to TREP. Thank you for your help.



Hope House LUUF Evening Host volunteer dates for 2025 Mark your calendars. If anyone is interested in volunteering for Hope House, please contact our coordinator Nancy Slattery at: (920)412-4725

2025 dates

March 16 -22 - May 4- 10 - June 22-28

Aug 10- 16 - Sept 28-Oct 4 - Nov 16-22

Evening Hosting at Hope House (5-8 pm)

Evening hosts socialize with guests, welcome newcomers, and assist parents with children's needs. Evening hosts may conduct children's activities, help with homework, or assist a guest with a particular need.

Online training will discuss various topics such as:

How our program works and why it is so effective.
 How you can volunteer and be a part of helping families become stabilized.
 Understanding your role as a volunteer.
 Sensitivity issues to be aware of when volunteering with our families.

PAINTING PATHWAYS WISH LIST



PPC Wish List!

Donations can be brought to
1226 Washington Street
Monday- Thursday 9-4 and Friday 9-2

Art Groups & Planned Programming

- Lights
- Christmas Tree(s)
- Crayons (broken is fine)
- Sugar
- Old Magazines
- Clear ornaments
- Art Supplies
- Puffy Paint
- Gift Wrap (Holiday)
- Ribbon (fall and Holiday)
- Gift labels (Holiday)
- Pipe cleaners
- Glitter
- Tie Dye Kits
- White T-Shirts (size S-3xl)
- Beads
- Coffee filters

Supporting Members

- Warm Blankets
- Pillows
- Hand & feet warmers
- Hygiene products

Employment

- Lightly used or new business casual men and women wear.

Nutrition and fitness

- 30 Gallon trash bags
- Soup (canned)
- Vegetable oil
- Yoga Mats
- Foam Rollers
- Yoga Bricks
- Dry erase markers

Thank you for donating to Painting Pathways Clubhouse. This helps us with our programming and mission.

Week of 10/28/2024



WHY VOLUNTEER AT INCOURAGE?

Choose from a variety of opportunities. We find the right fit for you!

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES:

- Play indoor or outdoor games, do crafts, plan activities with the children
- Teach a craft or skill or share your talents.
- Plan family fun nights, such as game or movie night
- Make a meal or snack
- Assist children with homework.
- Shelter Assistant/Crisis Line:



MANITOWOC WARMING SHELTER

Located inside of First Presbyterian Church
 502 N 8th Street Manitowoc, WI 54220
 920.629.5820 manitowocwarmingshelter@gmail.com
www.manitowocwarmingshelter.org

2024/25 SEASON WISHLIST
As of October 15, 2024

If you are interested in donating something not on our list, please contact us first so we can check our inventory. We will publish an updated list in October which will include food items

Bus tickets (Station, 915 S 11th Street)
 50 - \$25 Gift cards for Kwik Trip
 50 - \$10 Gift cards for local fast food
 50 - \$10 Gift cards for drugstores

Pocket-size notepads
 Post it notes
 Scratchpads/legal pads
 Postage stamps

Travel size body wash
 Travel size Shaving Cream
 Travel Size Body spray
 Travel Size Shampoo
 Travel Size Deodorant
 Pocket combs
 Small hairbrushes
 New Sports Bras in all sizes

Snack-size resealable bags
 Gallon-size resealable bags
 Backpacks (used are ok if clean)
 Duffle bags (used are ok if clean)
 Sleeping bags (low temperature)

Cereal (surgery is requested)
 Chewy Granola Bars
 Snack Cakes

4 - Ice Choppers for sidewalks
 4 - Snow Shovels
 5 - Bike Locks

CASH DONATIONS ARE WELCOME

Please note "Warming Shelter"



Additional Items can be found at our Amazon Wish List

https://www.amazon.com/hz/wishlist/ls/2RAZSMBT64K5Q?ref=wl_share

Items may be dropped off Monday-Thursday 9-1:00 at First Presbyterian Church,
 502 N 8th Street, Please use the parking lot door with the red awning



Featuring Local Produce, Maple Syrup,
Honey, Jams & Jellies, Pickled Goods, Eggs,
Beef, Baked Goods, Handmade Crafts,
Chef & Health Demonstrations,
Kids Activities, Acoustic Musicians, & More!!!

November 9 & 23, 2024
December 14 & 28, 2024
January 11 & 25, 2025
February 1 & 15, 2025
March 8 & 22, 2025
April 5 & 19, 2025

8am - 12pm

702 York Street
Downtown Manitowoc

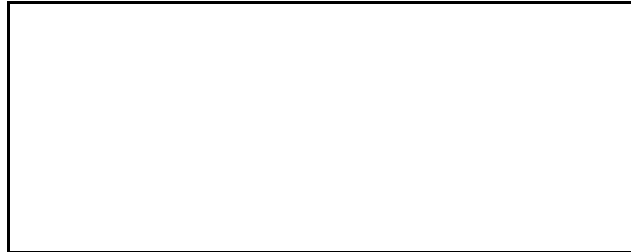
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LAKE SHORE UNITARIAN UNIVERSALIST MISSION

*As a welcoming and accepting, diverse and inquiring spiritual fellowship,
We unite to create a community which stimulates a free exchange and
Exploration of ideas, foster spiritual and intellectual growth, and
serves as a base for active outreach to benefit the world around us.*

AS UNITARIAN UNIVERSALISTS, WE AFFIRM AND PROMOTE THESE PRINCIPLES

*The inherent worth and dignity of every person
Justice, equality and compassion in human relationships
Acceptance of one another and encouragement to spiritual growth in our congregations
A free and responsible search for truth and meaning
The right of conscience and the use of the democratic process
The goal of world community with peace, liberty and justice for all
Respect for the interdependent web of all existence of which we are a part*

We affirm and promote journeying toward spiritual wholeness by working to build a diverse multicultural Beloved Community by our actions that accountably dismantle racism and other oppressions in ourselves and our institutions."

