



APRIL SERVICE



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APRIL 1

"Easter Joy: The New Resistance" Jim Neilsen

Relentless joy is not a blessed naivete but a deliberate and mindful response to life's rich pageant wherein *wonder and awe* is the catalyst for a rich and meaningful life for all.

By way of looking at works of art that celebrate and reveal our *ever ancient and ever new* disposition toward joy as an attitude and strategy toward a more just, verdant and peaceful world, we will celebrate Easter morning through the optic of beauty (and those signs and symbols that hearten our shared resolve to more joyfully "practice resurrection")

Jim teaches at St. Norbert, and we envy his students! He has brought his art to us before, and I can guarantee a meaningful service.

APRIL 8

"The Resurrection As Symbol" Phil Sweet

"He was a liar, a cheat, a con-man and a playboy. While baptized as a Christian, he never had the slightest interest or connection with institutional religion. Following the release of a film about his life, his widow issued a public statement. She had been abandoned in Brazil when he went back to Europe to enjoy the good life. She called him a bastard and couldn't imagine why anyone would celebrate his life. He was a Nazi German business man who employed slave labor from the Jewish ghetto in Cracow, Poland to make pots and pans for Hitler's army, profiteering from the war. And in the process he rescued 1300 Jews from the gas chambers.

Easter, last Sunday, refers to the rising of Christ from the dead, the onset of spring, it refers to revival and restoration. Oskar Schinder is a symbol of the resurrection, the story of a clay-bodied German who rose to a cataclysmic situation."

Phil is a retired UCC minister who has spoken to us regularly.

APRIL 15

"What World Will We Leave Them?" Ted Rulseh

"Them" refers to people like Ted's grandsons, Tucker and Perrin Kulow. How will humanity cope with the ever-expanding population on the Spaceship Earth? He'll identify the risks and offer some solutions-- how we as individuals might consider thinking about this fundamental question.

Ted is a former member who moved "up North." He always brings a provocative thought or two. (or more!)

APRIL 22

"Picto-Poems: Braiding Spirit, Witness, and Social Action" Kim Blaeser

This presentation features past Wisconsin Poet Laureate Kim Blaeser's work in poetry, photography, and a form she calls picto-poems—intersecting layers of text and image inspired by Native American pictographs and ledger art. Blaeser will perform selected poems, visually present the art images, and discuss the impetus behind this new creative project. The picto-poems bring her nature and wildlife photography together with poetry to explore intersecting ideas of Native place, nature, preservation, and spiritual sustenance. Others re-mix and re-examine historical images of Native peoples, or trace the connections between contemporary Indigenous experiences and issues of justice or sustainability. Taken from the evolving collection *Ancient Light*, these images invite reorientation as they blur the lines between place and spirit, between anger and humor, between image and voice.

Kimberly Blaeser, writer, photographer, and scholar, is the author of three poetry collections—most recently *Apprenticed to Justice*; and the editor of *Traces in Blood, Bone, and Stone: Contemporary Ojibwe Poetry*. She served as Wisconsin Poet Laureate for 2015-16. (for more about Kimberly Blaeser, continued on page 6—Sunday Service Continued on page 2)

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Let's Think Strategically! From Erica Strauss—Board President

Toward the end of March, Jim Hollahan and Ginny Finnel began organizing for a strategic planning workshop that will be held on Saturday, May 5. They have gathered a group to help in that effort and have enlisted Dori Davenport Thexton, who has expertise in this area, to lead the workshop.

We will be concentrating this effort on the first three objectives of the Strategic Plan developed by the Fellowship, with Cathy Edwards as facilitator, about three years ago. Briefly, they are: 1. Increase and diversify our membership, 2. Become more visible in our community and region, and 3. Support the Fellowship and its initiatives.

The first two are about growing the Fellowship and its membership, and those goals we'll address under the third objective have to do with improving our internal operations and leadership development, keys for keeping new people we attract. We have made quite a bit of progress on these objectives, and they seem to be foundational for the rest of the plan—thus our choice to concentrate there at this time.

All members and friends will be invited—and encouraged—to participate in this workshop, so please save **Saturday, May 5**, on your calendars.

This month is also the time when we ask you to make or renew your commitments of time, talent, and treasure to the Fellowship. We are **grateful** for the support of our members and friends, who step up to volunteer and give generously and without whose many important contributions there would be no Lakeshore UU Fellowship. Thank you all for this beautiful community!

You should have received a letter asking for your financial commitment for the next year—if not, please let a board member know. If you are able, do think about increasing your pledge this year to help gird us for the work we are doing to achieve the objectives in our Strategic Plan. We would appreciate receiving your pledge by **April 15** so we can develop a budget for fiscal year 2018-19 in time for the **Annual Meeting on Sunday, May 20**.

In other news, we continue to work on a timeline for starting the work of developing a covenant for the Fellowship. That will be a bottom-up project, so be prepared to chime in!

Also, we are joining our voice with others in the state through the (developing) UU State Action Network. Bylaws and other materials are now being finalized, and soon the group will have a board of directors and a permanent name (many of us thought WUUSAN was, well, too wussy). Already, the organizing group has endorsed an action to oppose more prison building in the state. Look for more news once the Network is officially launched.

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APRIL 29

"O Yea of Little Faith?"
Tony Larsen

Many people don't think of Unitarian Universalism as being a faith—but Tony will share his viewpoint of that idea.

The Rev. Dr. Tony Larsen, recently retired, had been a minister at the Olympia Brown Unitarian Universalist Church in Racine WI since 1975. He has written a book entitled **Trust Yourself! You Have the Power**, and authored a UUA curriculum called "A Catechism for Unitarian Universalists".

Reflecting UU's commitment to social action, Tony has served on the boards of the Women's Resource Center, Southeastern WI AIDS Project, Homeless Association Leadership Organization, Racine Jail Ministry, the LGBT Center of SE WI and others. Some of us have heard him as a guest visitor to the Sister Bay UU Fellowship. He is an amazing speaker with much to offer! Don't miss this presentation! (Testimonial from MaryJo J.Urban, a reliable source!)

The next Board Meeting will be held in **Thursday, April 5, at 1:00pm, at Ginny Finnels home, 119 Riverwod Dr, Mishicot .**

As always, if you have any issues you would like addressed or would like to attend a meeting, please let a member of the board know. All are welcome to attend board meetings. In the spirit of transparency— Minutes of past board meetings are filed in the library.

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 Minsters 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:

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March 25, 2018

Dear Members and Friends,

For all your contributions to the Lakeshore UU Fellowship this year, we on the board extend our heartfelt thanks. Appropriately, Spring is the time for new or renewed pledges and commitments for the upcoming fiscal year. We ask that you take some time to think about and determine your pledge and the volunteer opportunities available, using the enclosed materials.

Our vitality and our commitment to each other and to love and justice in the world are only possible because of all of us—you, who serve on our hard working groups: Service Planning, Membership and PR, Adult and Children's Activities, GLOBE, Facilities, Garden/Landscape, and the board; you, our cheerful Sunday morning greeters, the first contact for many visitors; you who prepare food for Soup Sundays and coffee/snacks after services or arrange the flowers that beautify our sanctuary; you, who contribute so generously of your financial resources; and all of you who come on Sundays, fill the pews, welcome others, and ask some of the smartest, most well informed questions I've ever heard from any group of people.

Thanks to you, we are expanding our presence in both actual and virtual communities. Our Membership/PR group is placing stories on special services, getting us out to march in local parades, and checking out ways to "brand" ourselves more effectively. We are also learning something about managing social media and getting the word out about our Fellowship with our Facebook page and blogs (hint: share, share, share). These activities are in line with our strategic planning objective to grow our fellowship and increase its diversity. We are also excited to be participating in development of a Wisconsin State Action Network to amplify our voices and our effectiveness as we act on our UU values across the state.

In the works are also plans to facilitate development of a congregational covenant, to create policies and job descriptions where needed, and to make more use of UUA and regional resources to help us grow, thrive, and carry out our Strategic Plan. Several of us will be attending workshops at the UUA General Assembly in June as part of those efforts and will report back on what we learn.

One of our more practical concerns is to maintain our home, the envelope that holds us and provides for serenity and replenishment, for gathering and celebration.

Please watch for your letter in the mail from Erica Strauss, President, and the board, expressing their gratitude for your contributions of time, talent and treasure to Fellowship, which sustain and inspire all the work we do both within our Fellowship and beyond it in the Manitowoc area and the larger UU community, to act on, to promote and affirm, our seven principles. The board relies on accurate pledge information to prepare the annual budget, to be presented at the annual meeting on May 20th. Please do your best to respond by April 15th.

GLOBE

“GREEN TIPS”

April 1ST

April will be “Surprising uses of (Blank) (We’ll fill in the blanks with common household products that allow us to avoid chemicals harmful to us and to the Earth).

This weeks blank is — beer. Aside from drinking it or using it in cooking: Make a trap for snails and slugs by pouring beer into a small jar and burying it up to the rim in affected areas of your garden. Or splash a little beer around the base of your plants to provide additional nutrients. Beer also works as a copper polish! After spot-testing: apply, let sit for a short time, then buff off.

April 8TH

Surprising uses for **baking soda**: freshen the air (and breath!), polish teeth, relieve skin irritation & insect bites, clean hairbrushes and combs, scrub bathtubs, clean ovens, boost your laundry detergent, deodorize carpets, keep flowers longer, wash produce, repel ants. See <https://www.thankyourbody.com/uses-for-baking-soda/> for 22 more ways to use baking soda!

April 15TH

Surprising uses for **aspirin**: treats dandruff by reducing scalp inflammation, reduces redness, swelling and pain from insect bites, removes stains from clothing and skin, helps in the garden by activating plants’ natural defenses and preventing fungus, and relieves skin conditions—this one dates from the 5th century BCE! More details at: <https://www.everydayhealth.com/news/surprising-uses-for-aspirin/>

April 22ND

Surprising uses for **toothpaste**: Whiten the rubber on your tennis or athletic shoes, remove residue, etc. from the soleplate of your iron, polish silver and jewelry, put a shine on bathroom & kitchen chrome, prevent fogging of swim/ski goggles—works on bathroom mirrors too! Removes water marks from furniture, crayon from walls, ink/lipstick stains from fabric. Go to <https://www.rd.com/home/cleaning-organizing/unexpected-uses-for-toothpaste/> for details and more tips.

April 29TH

Today concludes GLOBE’s series on unusual uses for common household items. If you search “surprising uses for”, Google will display a long list of other products that you may not suspect can help perform a variety of tasks—for example, peanut butter!

*Submitted by Judi Northen, Chair
GLOBE Environment Committee*



CHILDREN’S ENRICHMENT
Calling All Children

The Children’s Religious Education Program.

The 2018 sessions will be based one of the 7 UU principle’s and will include a story and a short projects.

The program is open to all children ages 4—10 years of age and continues through May.

Infant and toddler care will also be provided.

Please note, there will be no program for children on:

April 1 (Easter), May 13 (Mothers Day) May 27



Don’t Forget!

Circle Suppers
Breakfast, Brunch or Lunch!

We’re seeking HOSTS for the Fellowship’s Circle Supper, breakfast, brunch, or Lunch

These suppers are simple and fun!

A potluck at your home, or a gathering at a restaurant. You could even host at the Fellowship kitchen.

Host choice, lunch, or dinner, weekend, or weekday! If you’d like to serve adult beverages, such as wine or beer, with a meal you’re hosting at the Fellowship, please obtain board approval.



Don’t forget!
First Saturday, Breakfast Club,
 April 1st & May 5 at Dali’s Café 9am.
 First Saturday of every month.
 Join us for breakfast and conversation.
 No need to sign up, just show up!

More than tea & toast



Woman’s Song Circle
Share your creative energy and joy of woman-hood.
You are welcome to bring your songs, poems, meditations.
For more information or dates we will meet please contact.
 Bev at 920-693-8941 or email circleofsong@tds.net

The circles of women around us weave invisible nets of love that carry us when we’re weak and sing with us when we are strong.
 -Sark
 Breathe it in



Sunday Meditation
6:30pm
(Starting April 8)
Thursday meditation suspended until further notice.



Let the Games Begin!
First Wednesday of each month
April 4
May 2
June 6
6:30pm—8:30pm
At the Fellowship, 620 Park upstairs in the kitchen.
Ginny & Tom will instruct us in the Wisconsin state game of Sheephead in April.
(Ginny says, if you’re going to live in Wisconsin, get with the program)
No need to be a member, all are welcome!



Kimberly Blaeser

**Native American Literature, Creative Writing,
and American Nature Writing**

Sunday service presenter on April 22

A Professor at the University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee, she teaches Creative Writing and Native American Literature. Blaeser also serves on the faculty for the Institute of American Indian Arts low rez MFA program in Santa Fe. Her poetry, short fiction, and creative nonfiction have been widely anthologized, with poetry selections translated into several languages including Spanish, French, Norwegian, Indonesian, and Hungarian. An enrolled member of the Minnesota Chippewa Tribe, Blaeser grew up on White Earth Reservation. She is an editorial board member for the “American Indian Lives” series of the University of Nebraska Press and for the “Native American Series” of Michigan State University Press.

For more about Kimberly, visit her website at: www.kblaeser.org

Jean and Sandy will facilitate a summer meditation retreat in June. The evaluation sheets have helped make the meditating and journaling experiences better each time. The spring retreat had eight participating. Join them this summer!

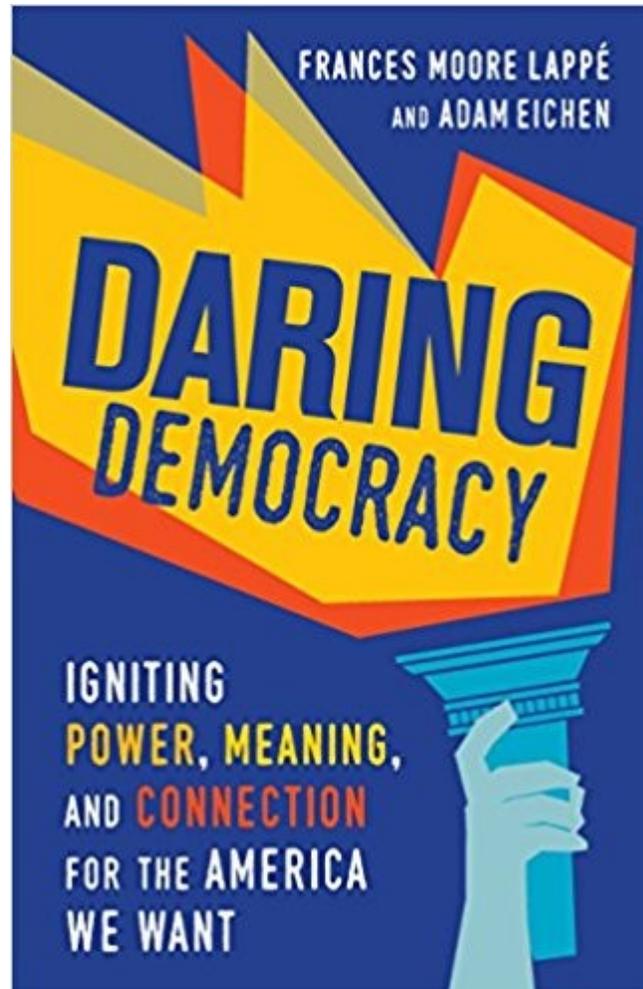
Participants will be guided in a quiet morning of silent reflection, meditation (Centering Prayer) and journaling practices. Lunch will be shared afterward at a nearby restaurant.



Keep your eyes open and your taste buds ready—Ceil will be organizing an adult activities night, that’s sure to have you salivating.

Would you like to learn how to make Hmong Egg Rolls? Those delicious treats we all like to enjoy at the summer Farmers Markets, can now be part of your recipe file. Ceil's daughter in law, will teach us how to make these delectable treats. Date in April or May to be announced via LUUF Chalice Yahoo Group and during Sunday service announcements.

THE UU COMMON READ



The first meeting will be Monday, April 9, 3:00. Kathie will query fellowship as to interest so books can be ordered. The group will decide at the first meeting when to schedule the rest of the sessions.

The challenges, the call, and the opportunity of this moment in Unitarian Universalism and in the broader US American society are compelling. Unitarian Universalists must be prepared and willing to look inward, examining, exploring, and acting to dismantle white supremacy culture in our association, in our congregations and groups, and in ourselves. At the same time, we must be prepared and willing to look outward and act to lift up Unitarian Universalist values in the political and civic challenges of our time.

Daring Democracy: Igniting Power, Meaning, and Connection for the America We Want, by Frances Moore Lappé and Adam Eichen, (Beacon Press, 2017) lifts up the importance of democracy itself. It examines the anti-democracy movement that has led to the Trump presidency, then offers a vision and call to action to save our democracy and to take our civic life to a place it has never been. For more information about UU Common Reads, visit <https://www.uua.org/books/read>



"Did you lock the door?"

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Just a reminder...



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COMMUNITY OUT REACH SOCIAL JUSTICE

Thank You LUUF Volunteers



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Hope House volunteer weeks

May 12-19

Summer dates to be announced soon!

We are in need of more volunteer ~ Nancy & Mike Slattery are filling in many blank spots during our volunteer weeks, your help would be greatly appreciated.

To learn more about becoming a volunteer at Hope House, talk to one of our current volunteers—who would love to have you join them.

Cecelia H, Mary Jo, Dick U, Kim, Jim E, Caroline, Jim R, Nancy L

Two Rivers Mishicot Ecumenical Pantry

Celebrating 27 years of service to the Mishicot and Two Rivers area



Don't forget our food basket in the vestibule of the Fellowship



Painting Pathways

Grab your clubs, mark your calendar golfers—Painting Pathways is preparing for their 2nd annual golf outing to be held on Tuesday July 31st. Last year they raised over \$7,000 for the Clubhouse. They are looking for sponsors & golfers. Sponsorship start at \$150. Golfing is \$60/person and includes 9 holes of golf, dinner, raffles, prizes & a chance to win a new set of golf clubs!

“Human Trafficking Awareness”

Sunday, April 8th

5 pm



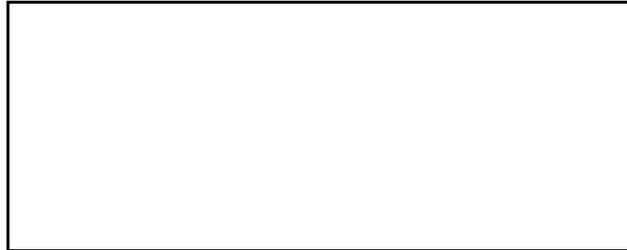
United Way Manitowoc County, Inc. and Get Reel Cinemas present a 4- PART PUBLIC AWARENESS SERIES.

April is Sexual Assault Awareness month. Presented by 5 Stones & In Courage (Manitowoc County's Domestic Violence Shelter and Sexual Assault Resource Center and one of LUUF's outreach organizations).

Get Reel Cinemas will have their concessions open at each presentation. A percentage of sales will be donated to United Way Manitowoc County. For more information, call United Way Manitowoc County at (920) 682-8888

Visit In Courage Facebook page for more information, and to sign up. <https://www.facebook.com/events/1543405155757711/>

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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*

PEACE TO ALL

