



9/10/2017

CALENDAR EVENTS

Sun. Sept. 10
12:30 pm Ingathering Picnic

Tues. Sept. 12
6:30 pm CYREC
7:00 pm Meditation with Shell Fischer – 7th Anniversary Celebration!

Wed. Sept. 13
10:00 am Women’s Sacred Circle
12:00 pm ROMEO Lunch at Umberto’s
5:30 pm Community Dinner
6:30 pm Council on Committees

Thurs. Sept. 14
6:30 pm Course in Miracles – Darwin’s Fish Room
6:30 pm SURJ-DC Reading Group
7:00 pm Chalice Singers

Fri. Sept. 15
7:00 pm
“Gerryrigged” movie

Sun. Sept. 17
Last day to Sign Up for Covenant Groups
11:00 am Worship
12:30 pm Cottage Party



Save the dates for the Cottage Parties!



The Narthex Collection for Sept. is Bright Futures. Please place items listed in the Narthex in the basket.



Don’t forget to buy your Food Lion, Martin’s and Shop n’ Save grocery cards.

If you are a visitor, please fill out a yellow “Welcome Card,” found on the Welcome Table in the Narthex and place it in the collection basket or in the basket on the Welcome Table.



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FROM THE MINISTER, REV. RUSS SAVAGE

Today we welcome back to our service after the summer break our own Chalice Singers. We have missed the blessing of your music during the summer services! We also especially welcome our new choir director, Pam Keim. Pam comes to us with much training and experience in music and choral directing. Recently she served as interim choir director at First Presbyterian Church in Winchester. Pam will be directing the Chalice Singers at our services on the second and fourth Sundays of each month. If you get a chance, offer her a special welcome to UUCSV!

Russ

CHALICE SINGERS

The Chalice Singers have resumed rehearsals and invite singers (ages high school and older) to join us to make beautiful music together and have a good time! We rehearse on Thursday evenings from 7 pm - 9 pm with a break in the middle, and sing two Sundays per month at worship services. Please come any Thursday night to see what we are about. For information, contact Pam Keim at choirdirector@uushenandoah.org.



Ministerial Search Update:

Your Ministerial Search team is very busy planning Cottage Parties which will be held at church and member homes starting in mid-September and going through October. Cottage Parties will be small (6-12) groups of members and friends who will have a facilitated discussion on the many aspects of a selecting settled minister. This will likely be your last opportunity to formally provide input to your Ministerial Search team so don’t miss it! Light refreshments will be served.

The schedule for Cottage Parties is as follows:

Table with 6 columns: Date, Time, Location, Host/Hostess, Facilitator, Note Taker. It lists 14 sessions for Ministerial Search Cottage Parties.

Contact Rachel Hanks to sign up for a session. Rachel will have signup sheets available after service each Sunday in the Narthex. If you have any questions, please contact one of your Ministerial Search team members or Sheryl in the church office.

Your Ministerial Search team:

- Bruce White
Gail Vasta
Lana Hurt
Claire Henderson
Bob Haskins
Rachel Hanks
Cal Allen

BOARD ANNOUNCEMENT

ANNUAL IN-GATHERING POT LUCK PICNIC -- Once again, the Board is hosting our annual Church Picnic today (Sept. 10th) after the end-of-summer In-Gathering Service. The Board will be providing grill items – veggie burgers, hamburgers, hot dogs, and chicken – along with all the associated condiments. We'll be serving ice cream and will have water and lemonade available. We ask that you bring a **dish to share** – appetizer, salad, casserole, dessert, etc. and **any other beverage** you like. Our Green Sanctuary folks and our Refuse Removal folks would appreciate your bringing **your own table service**. Come and help us celebrate the **beginning of the new Church season, the debut of our revitalized Chalice Singers, and some wonderful food!**

MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE

The membership committee is looking for a few good people to welcome and greet on the first Sunday morning in September, November, January, March, May and July. Currently, we're looking for just two good people to greet on those Sundays. Rewards are many—one gets to meet old timers and newcomers alike. Be the first to know the new folks coming to UUCSV. Please contact Sandy Lore (678-0963 or sandy477@comcast.net) if you would like to sign on. The membership committee will be planning a "review for old and intro for new" get together for volunteers soon.

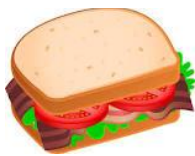
RELIGIOUS EDUCATION: ONGOING FOR EVERYONE

THE UUCSV CHALICE QUILTERS' FOURTH CHALLENGE

We have illustrated our seven principles in both adult and child versions. This challenge, perhaps the most difficult yet, has required us to be both true to the essence of each principle, and creative in their visual representation.

Our goal is to give our congregants and visitors a memorable rendition of each principle. It is our hope that by presenting the principles in "quilted" form, they will be more easily remembered in our lives and in our future.

SOCIAL COMMITTEE



Community Dinner Wednesday, September 13

The Social Committee is organizing a potluck meal this month. The Community Dinner will be held on the evening of the Council on Committees. Everyone is welcome to attend. We especially want this to be an easy evening for families. Let's come together and share a meal before we do the work of the church.

The Social Committee will provide an entree and asks that those that attend bring a dish to share. For September 13, it will be make your own BLT's or tomato sandwiches.

You do not have to attend meetings to come to dinner. We do ask you to bring feastware* so we won't have to spend too much time in the kitchen cleaning up. Dinner will be at 5:30. If you'd like to help please contact Mary Haskins mehaskins@gmail.com

*Feastware is a place setting for each member of your family.

SOCIAL ACTION AND JUSTICE COMMITTEE

Share the Plate

Today is Share the Plate Sunday and our recipient organization will be the joint UUA/UUSC joint emergency relief fund for those affected by the recent flooding in Texas. The UUSC and the UUA have formed a joint emergency relief fund to respond to Hurricane Harvey and the catastrophic flooding in Texas. Half of all donations sent to the fund will go to UU congregations in Texas well positioned to provide support directly, and half will go toward existing UUSC partners providing relief and helping at-risk populations recover from the hurricane and the devastating flooding.

Collection for Texas

The collection for diapersfortexas.com will be in the Narthex (table under the Black Lives Matter sign) until the end of the service Sunday. Just put in your spare change to aid those in need...remember every little bit helps.

Addicted to Hope Rally, September 23

Mark your calendar for September 23, from 4PM to 8PM for the Addicted to Hope Rally which will be in front of Handley High School in Winchester. More information is available at roadtorecovery.info

Magic Lantern at UUCSV

Come join us for a filming of "Gerryrigged," the movie that will give you all you need to know about gerrymandering. The film, taking place at UUCSV at 7 p.m. on Friday, **September 15**, will be shown by our own Mark Lore, who runs The Magic Lantern series in and around greater Winchester. Blake Wheelock, associate director of OneVirginia2021 -- the statewide group that has been leading the fight to end gerrymandering -- will be with us to answer questions after the show. And our Social Action & Justice Committee will provide goodies, to go along with the wine Mark is bringing.



Bright Futures is a non-profit organization that helps schools in Frederick County and Winchester connect student needs with Community resources. The goal is to meet the basic needs of students within 24 hours of a request. Bright Futures provides food packs to go home on weekends (2 breakfasts and 2 lunches) to help families experiencing food insecurity, tutoring services, student mentors, school supplies and clothing.

Wish List:

- head phones/ear buds
- non-perishable food something a child 5 – 18 years of age would eat
- cans or single size containers/packages (i.e. canned meat-tuna, chicken, ham), cold cereal, granola bars, pop tarts, etc.

If you have any questions, please email or call Elaine (540) 903-9271.