

UUTC UPDATE

MARCH 9TH, 2018



UNITARIAN UNIVERSALISTS OF PENNSYLVANIA COUNTY

A WELCOMING CONGREGATION

CHASING THE WHITE SQUIRREL

By Rev. Carter Heyward

Sunday, March 11th at 9:15am and 11:00am

Of the many ways to approach the challenging topic of wealth, Rev. Carter Heyward will reflect on the moral crisis being generated in our midst by advanced global capitalism.

Join us for coffee between services at 10:30am!

Our souls are not
hungry for fame,
comfort, wealth,
or power. Our souls
are hungry for
meaning, for the sense
that we have figured
out how to live
so that
our lives matter.

Harold S. Kushner

FACILITATOR WORKSHOP

Jean Rowe will lead a one-hour workshop on effectively leading or facilitating adult classes at UUTC. This workshop will take place at 3:00pm on March 27th in the large classroom.

Sign up by [emailing the office!](#)

COMING UP at UUTC

Sikhism Class — Mon 3/12 @ 1:00pm

Christians In Exile — Mon 3/12 @ 3:30pm

Men's Group — Tues 3/13 @ 9:00am

SMART Recovery — Tues 3/13 @ 6:00pm

Pie Day, Bread of Life— Wed 3/14 @ 9am

Eclectics — Wed 3/14 @ 9:30am

Choir Rehearsal — Wed 3/14 @ 4:00pm

Rainbow Alliance — Thurs 3/15 @ 5:00pm

Growing Younger — Fri 3/16 @ 11:00am

LIFE & DEATH

If you would indeed behold the spirit of death, open your heart wide unto the body of life.

For life and death are one, even as the river and sea are one.—Kahlil Gibran



Life and Death, a new UUTC offering from ARE, will start an 8-week series on Friday, March 23, from 1:30 to 3:00 in the sanctuary. The leader will be Jim Null, who has conducted similar programs at UUTC, The Mountain Retreat & Learning Center and elsewhere. Sessions will cover such topics as thinking about death, talking with your family, advance directives, hospice, writing your own obituary, planning your memorial service, minimizing costs of final services, etc. There will be some great guest presenters. There is a materials fee of \$10.00 per person, payable at the first class. Each person will get a binder to hold the copious handouts.

This offering is based on the UUA Tapestry of Faith curriculum “Facing Death with Life,” but includes more concrete actions. Attendance will be limited to 20. Sign up on the sheet at the front counter.



HARPETH RISING LIVE@UUTC

Sunday, March 18th at 2:00pm, Harpeth Rising returns to Brevard—and specifically to the great acoustics of the UUTC sanctuary!

We don't know if the musicians are UUs, but they certainly could be. These are classically trained, skilled musicians with a message. Their latest album, *Against All Tides*, is a tour de force. Most pieces are original, but those selected by other artists are equally thrilling—[listen](#) to their cover of Joan Baez's “Prison Trilogy,” for instance.

If you've heard them before, you won't miss this concert. If you haven't... come Rise with the rest of us. [Register Here!](#)

DO YOU LIKE TO GET OUT & ABOUT?

Do you find yourself reluctant to take advantage of interesting and fun events in Brevard because it is no fun to go alone? Do you enjoy events more in the company of others?

Out & About is a UUTC initiative to get folks together for movies, plays, concerts, etc., in other words, to be Out & About with old and new friends! With Spring on the way, there will be more opportunities coming up. If you would like your name added to the notification list, please contact [Joanna Bliss](#).



IN HONOR / MEMORY...

If you've been wanting to memorialize or honor a current or former member of UUTC, did you know that you can choose the "destination" of your gift? When contributions come to UUTC in Memory or Honor of an individual, our Board President writes to the donor and to the individual or family member (if the individual is deceased) to confirm your gift. Your gift can be designated to the Endowment Fund, Varsity Fund, General Fund or to the Sponsored Projects Fund. If the gift is going to Sponsored Projects, you could, for instance, specify the Memorial Garden... or any other project on the list.

MARCH MORNING ON MEMBERSHIP—

SATURDAY, MARCH 24th @ 9:00am

On this morning, Rev. Ilene will guide you to the Why and How of opening yourself to UUTC membership. The Membership Team will start the morning off with beverages and treats and top it off with lunch from 12:30-1:30pm.

See the Sign up Sheet on the office counter or email admin@uutc.org.

New Members will sign, be welcomed before the congregation and celebrate with each other at the Welcoming Ceremony and Reception the morning and afternoon of Sunday, April 8th. Anyone that has taken another UUTC Prospective Member Class is invited to inquire about becoming a Member on this day.

If the class date of March 24th does not work for you, please ask about the next date in June.





CIRCLE DINNERS

Circle Dinners have been scheduled for April 20, May 18 & June 15. The mission of Circle Dinners is to create greater connections among Members, Friends and Newcomers. Circle Dinners are potluck with a single, couple or couple with children hosting in their home. If you do host, it's for one time and then you are a participant for the other nights. Folks are encouraged to participate in two or three dinners. Participants are assigned in a way that there are at least two people they've met from the previous dinner. The more you participate, the more folks you meet! Sign-up and more information are at the front counter. Contact Elizabeth Thompson (828-384-0778) for more information.

LIVING with INTENTION PARENT CIRCLE

PARENT CIRCLE MARCH 21ST

Parents meet monthly for inspiration, reflection and sharing. Meetings are on the third Wednesday of each month **5:30 to 7:30pm**. [Email Rabbit](#) for more information.

Childcare is provided!

FREE YOGA for MARCH FRIDAYS, 11:00-12:15pm at UUTC

Kashmyra, Yoga & Pilates instructor, is offering Free classes the entire month of March for any UUTC Member or Friend who has never taken her classes before. For more info, call Kashmyra at 828-393-5955.



GLOBAL ART PROJECT FOR PEACE

Heather Layton • Children's RE

We are excited to get crafty, and probably messy (dress accordingly!), and to share our creation with another congregation after displaying it here at UUTC for the month of March/April.

The more the merrier for this special class that will be led by artist Katherine Somelofski. So join us this Sunday at the 11:00am service if you are able.

Peace!

SOCIAL ACTION AGENCY FOR MARCH — S.A.F.E.

For more than twenty years, SAFE has provided services with the vision that all victims of domestic and sexual assault will be shown dignity and respect and given the opportunity to create lasting changes that result in a life free of violence and abuse. SAFE operates Stacey's House, a shelter where women and their children can go to escape crisis situations and receive counseling and support for an improved future.

You may scan the image at right with your phone camera and make a donation today. *This is an opportunity to give, not an obligation.* If you prefer, text **UUTC SAFE** to **73256** to give to the S.A.F.E. fund using your text messaging. Standard text messaging rates may apply.



THE LIGHT I CARRY • SUUSI 2018 • WCU

This year's Southeast Unitarian-Universalist Summer Institute (SUUSI) catalog has been released and is ready for download at suusi.org.

SUUSI will be held from July 15-21 on the Western Carolina University campus in Cullowhee, NC, in the heart of the Smoky Mountains. The catalog lists hundreds of workshops, nature trips, and sports & games activities available, as well as this year's lineup of worship leaders and concert hour musicians.

Many people prefer the electronic version of the catalog, but if you'd prefer a Kindle version or paper copy, [you can order one through Amazon for \\$11](#). Both the electronic and the paper catalog are full of glorious color pictures of SUUSI at its best.

Registration will open on April 1, 2018 at 7pm. **Be sure to register by May 23 to receive \$50 off the registration fee for *each member* of your family group.**

Questions about registration? Contact our registrar, Connie Moore, at registration@suusi.org. Coming to SUUSI for the first time? Our newcomer coordinator, Dianna MacPherson, would love to hear from you and answer your questions. Contact her at newcomers@suusi.org.

If you have never opened a SUUSI catalog, don't miss this opportunity to take a peek at the opportunities available—so close to this congregation we could consider it a privilege!

THE "YOU" IN UUTC SOCIAL ACTION

PI DAY • PIE DAY! MARCH 14TH

Poverty is grim. Make life better for those in need with some sublime pie! Join Betty Kendrick, RK Young and others in baking pies for Bread of Life to be delivered by 10:00am on π day, March 14th. We need a minimum of 22 pies to make sure everyone has their own slice. Sign up at the front counter.

AAUW BOOK DRIVE

The AAUW Book Drive raises funds for scholarships for women who attend our local colleges. Declutter your bookcases, and bring your finds to the yellow box in the foyer. If you have a large number of books and need them to be picked up, call Penny Davies at 828-966-9393.

HELP "GET AHEAD" PROGRAM

Can you provide breakfast or lunch items to Sharing House for the Get Ahead program? This program meets at Brevard Wesleyan Church—other groups help by providing food.

Suggested foods are: Sandwiches/chips, bagels and cream cheeses, breakfast casseroles, cheese, crackers, fruit, and beverages like sweet tea and lemonade. UUTC is responsible for April 4 and April 18. Food should be delivered to Brevard Wesleyan at 9:45am and can be dropped off upstairs. There is a sign up sheet at the front desk of UUTC. If you can provide food but can't deliver, Kathy Reiff can meet you at UUTC and take your contribution over to BWC. Thank you!

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Our Mission, as a welcoming, inclusive community acting from love, compassion and respect is:

*To support individual spiritual journeys and
To promote social, economic and
environmental justice.*



Latest UUA Southern Region Newsletter [HERE!](#)



SOUTHERN REGION



KEEP UP WITH WHAT'S HAPPENING!!!

VIEW our "insider" [church calendar](#). For previous issues of the UUTC Update, click [HERE](#).

SEND news for this newsletter by 10:00am on Wednesdays.

CONTACT US

Need Pastoral Care? Call Rev. Ilene at (877) 510-5603.

Church office hours are Monday through Friday from 9:00 a.m. until noon and by appointment. The church telephone number is **828-877-6121**. Our mailing address is UUTC, PO Box 918, Brevard, NC 28712. Our website is www.uutc.org. Our church is located at the corner of Varsity Street and South Broad Street in Brevard. Our email address is admin@uutc.org.