

# Unitarian Universalist Fellowship of Klamath County

## September, 2014

### *Newsletter and Calendar*

*The mission of the UUFKC: We seek to offer a forum for religious freedom and pursuit of knowledge, to extend spiritual fellowship to all people, and provide a place of renewal to foster a life of community and action.*

**The Unitarian Universalist Fellowship now meets every Sunday for worship, fellowship, and discussion.**

#### **WHERE:**

St. Paul's Episcopal Church, **801 Jefferson Street**, Klamath Falls, OR. We meet in the upstairs community room. Please enter to the right side of the main entrance of St. Paul's. Handicapped accessible.

#### **WHEN:**

Every Sunday, 10:30 a.m.

#### **WHAT:**

Worship services begin at 10:30, often including a children's story. Children are normally excused before the sermon; childcare is provided. **Discussion group meets at 9:30 a.m. prior to services; topics vary and discussion usually led by members. Children's Religious Education meets at 9:30 a.m.**

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# September 2014 “Welcome Back” Calendar Services and Events

## September 7, Sunday

### 9:30 Discussion Group:

“Politics without Principles”, the first of Gandhi’s Seven Deadly Social Sins. Led by Chuck Wells.

### 10:30 Worship Service:

Community Speaker, Todd Kepple, *"An Alternative Vision for Klamath"*

We are all familiar with Mr. Kepple and his tireless efforts to better Klamath Falls through his work with the Klamath County Museum, leadership in achieving success in the county school bond measure, organizing stargazing events, planting trees, and many other community-minded projects. In our first service of the season, Todd will present what is sure to be an exciting vision for our Klamath Falls.

## September 14, Saturday

### 9:30 Discussion Group:

“Is a People’s Utility District Right for Klamath”, led by Art Martin

### 10:30 Worship Service:

Rev. Patt Herdklotz, *“The Religious Home Celebrates”*

Rev. Patt will lead us in a traditional Unitarian Universalist Water Ceremony, as well as a children’s dedication. All are invited to bring some water from their summer life adventures to pool in a communal font, celebrating summertime and now coming together in this religious home. As the waters are pooled, Rev. Patt Herdklotz will reflect on water as our life-sustaining element, and invite everyone to rededicate themselves to the covenant of affirming and promoting a life-sustaining world community. A Unitarian Universalist Children's Dedication will also be celebrated this morning: families will present children they would like 'dedicated', Rev. Herdklotz will conduct the blessing as parents name their children and the congregation offers their commitment to guide and love these children. **Please bring some water that is meaningful to you in some way to share as we join waters in this meaningful service!!!!**

## September 21, Sunday

### 9:30 Discussion Group:

“Wealth Without Work”, the second of Gandhi’s Seven Sins.

### 10:30 Worship Service

Community Speaker, John Ward

Many years ago, our Fellowship joined with other UUs from Ashland and planted some Sugar Pines on Highway 66. Mr. Ward, local rancher and environmental advocate, will provide a history of that event and a status report of the pines.

## **September 28, Sunday**

### 9:30 Discussion Group:

“Pleasure without Conscience”, Gandhi’s third Deadly Social Sin.

### 10:30 Worship Service:

Jerry Gilmer, “Perfection: Is it all that it’s cracked up to be?”

Mr. Gilmer will be reflecting on the concept of "Perfection" and what may drive the human desire to achieve it and why. Is it a false concept, does it disable our ability to live a fuller life, or is it only a religious concept? What, if anything, is the benefit of striving for perfection? If perfection is helpful what might it look like, if it is unhelpful, what might be a healthier alternative to approaching life?

## **Children’s September Programing**

**The children’s “Sunday School” program takes place at 9:30 a.m. At 10:30 they are invited to attend the first part of the regular service, and then depart for play time for the rest of the morning.**

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| <b>September 7</b>  | Welcome Back! Overview of the UU Seven Principles    |
| <b>September 14</b> | Dedicating the Children (a blessing)                 |
| <b>September 21</b> | Principle Seven: We care for our planet and its life |
| <b>September 28</b> | Principle Four: Everyone is free to search for truth |

## Other dates and items of note

**WE ARE NOW COLLECTING AND DONATING ITEMS (AND CASH!) TO THE KLAMATH-LAKE COUNTIES FOOD BANK. PLEASE REMEMBER TO BRING SOMETHING WITH YOU ON SUNDAY TO FILL OUR BASKET!**

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### **TWO VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES IN OUR FELLOWSHIP:**

#### **1. SERVE AS A “GREETER” FOR OUR SERVICES.**

A Greeter is simply a smiling, friendly person to say hello to people as they enter our space for Sunday services, direct them to the sign-in sheets, offer a name tag, answer questions, etc. This is an easy way to make newcomers feel welcome, and to put a smile on the faces of our regular attendees! Please speak to Zelda Langdale to offer your time.

#### **2. COFFEE HOUR COORDINATOR**

We need people to coordinate coffee hours following the service, as well as assigning folks for particular dates, being sure we have the needed supplies (including refreshments), and seeing that it's all set up. Sally will do it for Sept. 7th. Please speak to Sally or Zelda if you are interested in doing this.

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Last April the Peace Readers and the Friends Church began hosting a film series on peace. Films are shown the fourth Friday of each month at 6:30 pm at the Friends Church, 1918 Oregon Ave, and are followed by discussion and refreshments.

The films that remain for 2014 are: Sept. 26, "King of Hearts" (1966). In late WW I a private is chosen to disconnect a bomb in a French town. Germans chase him and he hides in what is an asylum, and inmates are convinced he's the 'King of Hearts'.

October 24's feature: "Shenandoah (1965). A Virginia farmer does not want to participate in the U.S. Civil War. But he becomes involved when his youngest son is taken prisoner by the North.

November 28th is "Joyeux Noel" (2005). A truce occurs at the front Xmas Eve 1914. It's informal, totally unauthorized, but man to man they see their sameness.

Several years ago the Peace Forum showed "Joyeux Noel" as part of the Snow Flake Festival. The turnout was most rewarding. We hope history repeats itself in 2014.

The Peace Readers evolved from the Klamath Basin Peace Forum, which evolved from Klamath Interfaith Network of the 1990's, when the liberal ministers of Klamath Falls separated from the those supporting the Oregon Citizens Alliance and its anti-gay measures on THREE Oregon ballots.

Today's Peace Readers cover a varied assortment of writers. Several UU's participate. A moderator keeps us on track. Meetings are held each Friday, 10:30 - noonish, at the Klamath Lutheran Church, 1175 Crescent. Come visit.

And do try to enjoy one or all the remaining 2014 peace films.

-- Submitted by Barbara Turk

**PLEASE CHECK OUT THE OUR WEBSITE AT [WWW.UUKFALLS.ORG](http://WWW.UUKFALLS.ORG)**

**WE ARE ALWAYS SEEKING DISCUSSION GROUP IDEAS!**

**WE ALWAYS NEED PEOPLE TO LEAD THE SUNDAY MORNING DISCUSSION GROUP! IF YOU HAVE AN IDEA FOR A TOPIC, OR IF YOU ARE WILLING TO LEAD A DISCUSSION, PLEASE SPEAK TO ANY BOARD OR WORSHIP COMMITTEE MEMBER**

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**PLEASE CONSIDER HELPING OUT THE UUFKC RELIGIOUS EDUCATION PROGRAM! WE WILL BEGIN ASKING PEOPLE TO SIGN UP FOR AN OCCASIONAL STINT HELPING OUT OUR RE TEACHER/SITTER. THE RULES OF THE EPISCOPAL CHURCH REQUIRE THAT TWO PEOPLE BE WITH THE CHILDREN AT ALL TIMES. VOLUNTEERS WOULD NEED TO HELP OUT DURING THE 45 MINUTE RE CLASS THAT BEGINS AT 9:30, AND THEN AGAIN AFTER THE CHILDREN LEAVE THE CHURCH SERVICE DURING THEIR PLAYTIME. PLEASE SPEAK TO MARYANN LUNDIN OR ERIC JENSEN FOR DETAILS AND TO SIGN UP.**

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***If you have something you would like to include in this newsletter, please email to Julia Jackman, [jackmanclan@charter.net](mailto:jackmanclan@charter.net)***