

# Unitarian Universalist Fellowship of Klamath County

## October, 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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# October 2014 Calendar

## Services and Events

### **October 5, Sunday**

#### 9:30 Discussion Group:

We will discuss the third of Gandhi's Seven Social Sins, "Knowledge without Character". Sally Wells will lead the discussion.

#### 10:30 Worship Service:

Autumnal Poetry Slam!

Come one, come all, it is time to celebrate the changing of the season! This service will be a participatory one, and all are invited to bring a special poem, saying, meditation or short essay that exemplifies the Autumnal Equinox, the changing of the season, the harvest time...

### **October 12, Sunday**

#### 9:30 Discussion Group:

TBD

#### 10:30 Worship Service:

Rev. Patt Herdklotz, "*Pete Seeger, A Life of Singing Out*"

Rev. Patt Herdklotz celebrates the decades of Seeger's music and commitment to urging everyone to make a good, equitable world. The hour will touch on the Weavers ensemble, Communist idealism in the '30s, challenging the war that wasn't, standing fast when the big TV network was bowing to censorship, and the pipe dream of cleaning the Hudson turned to real imagination that championed earth stewardship. All are welcome to 'tune in' to this tribute to an inspiring musical legend.

### **October 19, Sunday**

#### 9:30 Discussion Group:

TBD

#### 10:30 Worship Service

Congregational Speaker, Eric Jensen, "*Recipe for a Small, Liberal Fellowship*"

Member Eric Jensen will provide a reflection on how to create meaningfulness with few resources.

### **October 26, Sunday**

#### 9:30 Discussion Group:

TBD

#### 10:30 Worship Service:

Rev. Brad Carrier, "*Why Try?*"

What is a small congregation of liberal religionists to do in a society caught up in conservative religious assumptions? We've our own lives to tend, our circles to live in and influence, and our local and global environmental and cultural realities to enjoy and endure. If religion relates us well with reality, how does a small self-run congregation deal with all these?

Brad Carrier has served UU churches and fellowships in Michigan, Illinois, North Carolina, and Oregon. He has lived in Ashland, Oregon since 1986 when he came to help that congregation grow until 1994. He trained for the ministry at Meadville/Lombard Theological School at the University of Chicago, went to India to sit with various gurus, and then took humanist leader training at the Humanist Institute in NY City. He recently trained with Al Gore on climate reality issues and volunteers for SOCAN (Southern Oregon Climate Action Now). He is working on a book retelling the Genesis creation stories as a way to relate ourselves to our own body/minds, each other, and nature.

## **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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## **ARCHIVES** by Barbara Turk

Remember the children's song, "When at night I go to sleep, 14 angels watch do keep---two at my right hand, two at my left hand", etc., etc.??

That's the way I felt during a recent surgery at Adventist Medical Center in Portland. In the OR I had nurses galore, a lady doc anesthetist, my surgeon's associate (who introduced herself before I was put under), AND a young women medical student. My doc had asked if she might observe, and of course I approved. Anything for education.

In spite of all those helping hands ( and estrogen!) my doc did his thing: a laparoscopic hysterectomy, robot-assisted (yes, robot!), bi-lateral salpingectomy.

Uterine cancer is one possible side effect of my particular breast cancer medicine, prescribed in August 2013. Blood clots are another. Also hot flashes. Such fun!! A June 2014 procedure found me in a "pre-cancer" situation, so the hysterectomy was suggested, "...sooner than later". Remove the "stage" upon which another full-blown cancer could develop.

I told my doc I was partial to my "factory-issue equipment", but I'd let it go. His response: "You're past warranty." Thanks a lot!!

Pre-surgery I had read Dr. Christiane Northrup, who wrote, always remember, "I am more than the sum of my parts".

I awoke in a hospital birthing room. HA!! I got the message. There's still work for me to do, altered body or not!!

I experienced no pain, no discomfort. I even asked a nurse, "Did I HAVE surgery?" She responded, "Oh, yes, indeed". The evidence: four wee bandaids across my belly. That's it. I was sent home the next day. I offer MANY blessings to all the wonders of medical science.



One day in Portland we drove past a church sign I'd never previously viewed. It was, "The Endeavor Church---Relationships, not Religion". How interesting!!

May our new church year find us in growing, naturing relationships with one another.

Best wishes to all.

**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)***

