

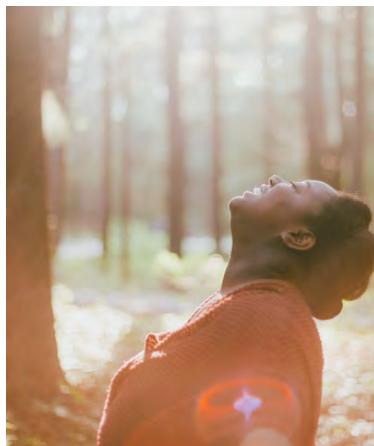


JANUARY SCHEDULE: See Sunday Service schedule, themes and leaders on pages 2

See MLK weekend of service on pages 5 & 6

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January 2024: Liberating Love



Love, it sits in the chest,
at least at the start.
It's what makes our heart beat again after being broken,
and our lungs breathe again after being closed off in the dark for far too long.

For some, it came in the form of our grandfather's eyes
which saw us as carriers of something bigger and more precious
and older than our little bodies disclosed.
For others, it arrived as we pressed hard
against our mothers' warm skin
and heard a speechless whisper say we can always come home.

We recognize love as the thing that allowed us to finally remove our masks,
or that which said I don't want you to take it off, until you are ready.
We were taught love by those who arrived in the midst of our fear
and shook as we shook, instead of simply trying to make our trembling stop.

But here is the secret. The inevitable awakening.
The wonder that each of our lives is meant to reveal.
Love doesn't just love us;
It asks us to become it.

That's why those metaphors of comforting quilts
which wrap us in their warmth will never do.
True love is always a thunderstorm
that cracks us clean open
so the echoes of other breaking hearts
can make their way in.

Yes, it wants us to be whole and strong.
But love's deepest longing is that we will use that strength
to tear down the structures that leave others bloodied and bruised.
We must always remember what Selma's prophet of peace regularly preached:
Love and power are always rightly wed.

And maybe this is where the second secret comes loose.
As I shake the walls to let others free,
I learn that the ones I've liberated include me.

Soul Matters Themed Ministry



MVUUF is a liberal religious congregation guided by democratic principles whose mission is to engage members in a shared quest for spiritual and intellectual growth leading to lives of service, compassion, and justice.

Sunday Services

January 7th: Liberating LOVE - Fire Communion



Sometimes love means letting go. From time to time we find ourselves at a crossroads of having to let go of habits, people or even dreams that we held dear in order to continue on a path that allows us to feel loved ourselves. Join us for this beloved annual service of letting go.



January 14th: MLK Sunday Service of Service

"Everybody can be great...because anybody can serve. You don't have to have a college degree to serve. You don't have to make your subject and verb agree to serve. You only need a heart full of grace...a soul generated by love." Martin Luther King, Jr. See details about this service on pages 5 and 6.



January 21st: Liberation is a DRAG

Freedom declares that you let all of your fabulousness shine. Join us for a very special service on the theme Liberating Love through a celebration of drag performances featuring Lala Luzious, Kylieee With 3 E's and Margo Caprice!



January 28th: Placing Love at the Center A New UU Theology

The new proposed UU values framework, which will replace our current seven principles next June puts LOVE at the center of our faith. How does that deepen our connection to our faith and enrich our call to serve others? Rev. Laura and Kaizen Hummer

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Letter from the Board Chair

My heart is filled with love and joy for our MVUUF community. I am writing this letter having just returned from cleaning up after our first-ever Holiday Bazaar, which followed our performance of "A Very UU Christmas Carol" during the Sunday service. Both events were a huge success due to the hard work of many people! It truly takes a village to pull off two big events on the same day, and I am grateful to all the volunteers who helped out: thank you if you volunteered, donated, cheered, attended, or shopped!

I'd like to give a special shout-out to Linda Hayen for directing "A Very UU Christmas Carol," and to Tom Ehlinger for his amazing performance in the leading role. The rest of the cast was a joy to work with as well: Laura and Sadie Benda, Sarah Collins, Leslie Swenson, Patrick Westcott, Emily Kampa, and Eli Bavier. And our course our worship associate Maria Bavier, our joyful carolers: Jody Gray, Angie Tangen, Barb Becker, and Karen Olsen, our tech wizard Richard Duffin, our costume specialist Kathy Eager, our music director Nicole Collins, and our accompanist Lark Lewis. Talent is truly abundant in our fellowship.

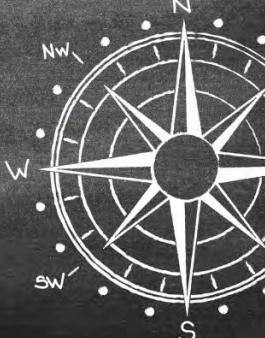
Next, I'd like to thank Jody Gray, Suzanne Scribner, and Candace Mahowald who helped plan the Bazaar, and all the volunteers who helped pull it off. We made a lot of new friends as well, from our Holiday Bazaar vendors and their loyal customers to families from the neighborhood who stopped by and asked lots of questions about our fellowship! We even had shoppers who had first met us at our Pride Festival booth in September. As you may recall, one of our goals for the bazaar was community outreach and awareness, so we were overjoyed to make and strengthen those connections.

Last but certainly not least, I'd like to give a special thanks to Laura Thompson, our minister, whose steady hand and calm guidance supported all of our wild ideas and last-minute panics - in both the play and the Holiday Bazaar. I'd like to share one last detail that really captured the exhaustion she felt at the end of the day: as the last vendor had packed up and all the extra baked goods were stored in the freezer (although not a lot was left!), Laura finally had a chance to sit and rest a bit while some of us scrambled to put away a few more tables; finally she said with a tired smile, "Stop working - I'll do it tomorrow - we should go home!" So go home we did - with hearts full, and happy memories for all.

STARTING POINT

New to MVUUF? Interested in Membership?
Join us Jan. 21st at 12pm
to learn more about UUism and MVUUF

HOW CAN MVUUF BE A PART OF YOUR JOURNEY?



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Communications & Administration

The next Writing as Spiritual Exploration will be **Thursday, February 1st**. It will be on the January theme of Liberating Love. The workshop is hybrid. Please attend in person, if possible. I break the 1.5 hour workshop into 2-3 sections. There are 2-3 writing examples from reflective, inspiring poets/writers for each section. This gives a rich foundation for in-class writing. I have prompts and suggested exercises for each section. Where attendees choose to wander with these suggestions/prompts is open. Sharing is optional but participants have found sharing meaningful in digging deeper into the theme. If you are interested, please reach out me. Jeannie@mnvalleyuu.org

Each year in December I write a Solstice Poem. Here is my 2023 poem. I hope you enjoy it.

This is a prayer

for when you stumble,
for when loss is your middle name
and sorrow shares your bed.

This is a prayer for terrible mistakes,
for the tender tissue of indecision,
for the burden a heart holds when
it tallies up who loves more, who loves less.
This is a prayer for the day you
dropped what was meaningful, turned
to scoop it up and found it gone.

This is a prayer for when the world
tells us one loss justifies another,
for when you feel your heart is icing
over. This is a prayer for thawing.
This is a prayer for the shock
when you realize your humanness,
your frailties become luminescent,
glow in the dark for all to see.

And this is a prayer for when
we don't believe in prayer.
It is then an incantation,
a meditation, a poem.
This is a prayer for us, that we may
feed ourselves at the table
of our own atonement,
that we push back astonished and content.
Then grow hungry and do it all over again.
This is a prayer for when you stumble,
for haven't we all stumbled?



SOUL MATTERS MONTHLY THEME: Liberating Love

Check out the plethora of resources from this month's [Soul Matters Small Group Packet](#), which includes guided questions and activities, recommended readings, films, music playlists and more.

The Soul Matters packet ponders some good questions about Liberating Love. How would you answer?

- Whose love has companioned you the longest?
- Has heartbreak ever held you back? Could some form of heartbreak be holding you back today?
- If Love could speak, what do you think it would want to say to you?

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Children, Youth & Family Ministry

Celebrate Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King Junior Day
with a weekend of Service



**990 LONE OAK ROAD, SUITE 136
EAGAN, MN 55121**

**SATURDAY, JANUARY 13
11:30-1:15PM**



Volunteering at Feed My Starving Children is a meaningful team-building experience, open to children and an MVUUF tradition for three years! This year MVUUF has a reservation for 15 people to help pack meals at Feed My Starving Children on Saturday, January 13, 2024 beginning at 11:30am at the Eagan location: [990 Lone Oak Road, Suite 136, Eagan, MN 55121](https://www.feedmystarvingchildren.org/location/eagan). Please sign up [here](#)

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Sunday, January 14 is an all-ages Service of Service. We will begin together upstairs and then choose which station to go to:

1. Tie Blankets for 360 Communities: MVUUF will have sheets of fabric ready. You may help tie them together to make fun blankets that serve a great purpose. This is a great opportunity for people to sit down and chat with their peers and/or listen to music while doing a service project.
2. Birthday Bags for 360 Communities: Families often wish to provide a fun treat to celebrate their child on their birthday. These birthday bags are available only thanks to donations. MVUUF staff will have materials ready to prepare these bags and write a Happy Birthday note to go in each one.
3. Pet treat bags for local shelter: Decorate and fill bags with treats and toys for cats and dogs. The animals and their caregivers really appreciate this kindness!

January's Soul Matter's theme asks us to receive and give the gift of Liberating Love. Our Nursery|Preschool and Elementary Class lessons, activities and games this month will explore Liberating Love. The UUA Article 2 commission has placed love at the center of our faith and holds up the idea that we "draw from our heritages of freedom, reason, hope and courage, building on the foundation of love." This wording was added, "Love is the power that holds us together and is at the center of our shared values. We are accountable to one another for doing the work of living our shared values through the spiritual discipline of Love." How is Liberating Love different from Comforting Love? Let's begin!

Our Middle and High School Youth Group is exploring Catholicism this month through the Soul Matter's Crossing Path Curriculum. I am most excited about the field trip or "summit" Sunday when we will be visiting St. Joan of Arc Catholic Church in Minneapolis. We will prepare for our visit in the weeks leading up to it and reflect on it afterward. We will be asking and answering the question: what are some similarities and differences between Unitarian Universalism and Catholicism? It won't all be talking though, get ready for some "sticky" metaphors and fun games!

1/7/2024: Children and Youth Programming

1/13/2024: Feed My Starving Children Service Opportunity in Eagan at 11:30AM
Community Night at MVUUF, childcare available upon request at 4-7PM

1/14/2024: Multigenerational Worship Service of Service - Dr. King Sunday

1/21/2024: Middle and High School Youth Group VISIT St. Joan of Arc in Mpls. at 11AM
Children's Programming at MVUUF

1/28/2024: Children and Youth Programming
Potluck after Sunday Service, bring a dish to share

All programming will take place on Sundays from 10:30-11:45 a.m. unless it is a field trip or Community Night ([CYF Calendar Link](#)). [Registration](#) is open!

Maria Bavier

Family Ministry Director, Credentialed Religious Educator maria@mnvalleyuu.org

Pronouns: She/Her/Hers

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MUSIC AT MVUUF!

Too busy to commit to regular choir rehearsals and performances? We are always looking for people to sing short term. Please contact Nicole if you are interested. music@mnvalleyuu.org



Minnesota Valley Unitarian Universalist Fellowship
Community Dinner and Sing Along

Singing for VEAP

February 10, 2024 • 5:00
Soup, Bread, Salad and Sweets in the Social Hall
Singing and More in the Sanctuary
Valentine Crafts for All Ages
Collecting donations for VEAP

SAVE THE DATE Community Night on February 10th, hosted by the Music Committee and we have some great things planned! Bring your friends and family!

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A Very UU Christmas Carol

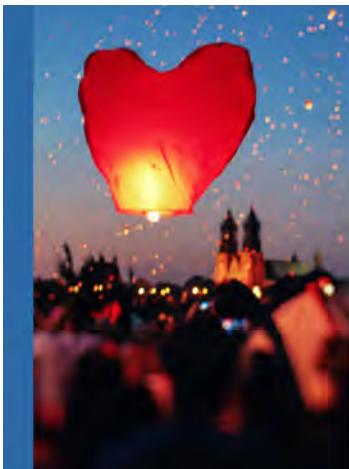
A Very UU Christmas Carol was a smashing success. Music, laughter and a good message. If you weren't able to attend you can catch it on our [YouTube channel](#).



The cast, director and musicians of A Very UU Christmas included children, volunteer teachers, the board chair, the Minister, and members. The play was originally written by Charles Dickens, adapted for the UU stage by Rev. Dan Schatz and further adapted for MVUUF by Rev. Laura Thompson.

Pictured: Kathleen Coate, Sarah Collins, Laura Thompson, Tom Ehlinger, Emily Kampa, Sadie Benda, Laura Benda, Eli Bavier, Maria Bavier and Leslie Swenson.

Not pictured: Cast: Patrick Westcott, Director: Linda Hayen, Tech: Richard Duffin, Carolers: Jody Gray, Karen Olson, Angie Tangen and Barb Becker, Music Director: Nicole Collins, and Pianist: Lark Lewis



Congregations at their best
are “schools of love,” places
where we can be with
others who make us more
compassionate, generous,
peace-filled, and kind.

Cameron Trimble

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Social Action Racial Justice

The Social Action and Racial Justice Committee will be meeting on January 7, after the service in the Fireside Room. We will discuss planning for maintaining our Welcoming Congregation status, and our goals for 2024. Please join us or reach out to John Chlebeck if you are interested in being involved.
johnchlebeck@gmail.com.

Sunday Sharing Partner

January Sunday Sharing Partner

Sunday Sharing for January is Clare Housing. Stable housing remains one of the greatest unmet needs for people living with HIV. With nearly 1,000 people living with HIV in Minnesota without a stable home, we are firmly committed to preserving and increasing the number of various types of affordable housing units for low-income and homeless individuals and families with HIV. Evidence has shown that low-barrier housing with harm reduction practices does work to end homelessness and substantially limits the spread of HIV. Ultimately, Clare Housing demonstrates that housing is an effective form of healthcare.

By increasing access to safe, affordable housing for people living with HIV, we are helping to improve access to health care and social services, increase compliance with individual treatment plans, reduce further transmission, and enhance quality of life. Learn more at: clarehousing.org

**January's
Sunday
Sharing
Partner**

**clare
housing**



**Clare Housing provides a continuum of
affordable and supportive housing options
that create healing communities and optimize
the health of people living with HIV/AIDS.**



**Community
Night**

**Sat. Jan. 13th
5-8pm**

5-6pm: Pizza & Social Hour
6-8pm: Crafts for All Ages
6-7pm: Webinar Screening*
7-8pm: Webinar Discussion

***Consensual Non-Monogamy and Faith: OWL Taking Flight**
Explore a Canadian Unitarian Council report on how to be welcoming and inclusive of polyamorous people and families in congregational life, recognizing that consensually non-monogamous individuals and families are part of our faith communities as members, friends, clergy, and staff.

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Bring your plastics to MVUUF and recycle with Ridwell!

Ridwell picks up on the first and third Mondays. For January that means January 15th and 29th. You must have your recyclables in their proper bag by Sunday the 14th and/or the 28th directly after the service.



MVUUF members and friends can now bring in the following items for recycling: multi-layer plastics, plastic bottle caps, metal jar caps, batteries and light bulbs. Please be sure your items are clean and that your batteries are not corroded.



The special featured item for the January 15th pick up is Holiday Lights. They can be damaged or working. No rope lights.

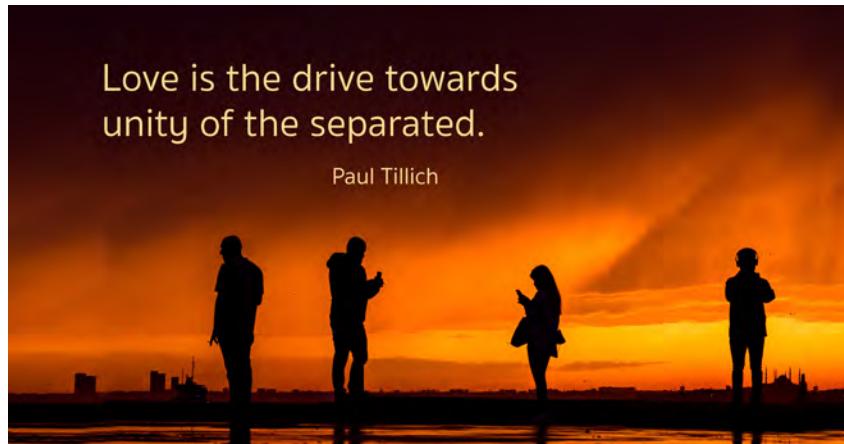
Please bring your items in the appropriate bag inside the box on the lost and found shelf by the front door. Additional information about what can be included is on the front label of the box. We can make a difference! Small acts make big impacts.

If you have any questions about Ridwell, the pilot program or our recycling, please contact Jeannie at office@mnvalleyuu.org.

Men's Group January 11th at 7PM

Men's Group will meet on Thursday, January 11th at 7:00 on ZOOM.

Topic is still to be determined. Please watch the Friday email for topic and Zoom links. If you have any questions please contact John Peloquin.



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Women's Group Saturday January 6th

Saturday, Jan 6th 10:30-12:30

At the beginning of a new year, the Women's Group planning team thought it might be appropriate to look back at a period of our country's history that didn't go well to see what lessons we might apply from that era to 2024. The period we decided on was the Prohibition Era, and, luckily, we found a great speaker, David Jones, to lead us in our look back. David has titled his presentation

"Prohibition: A Grand Misadventure." David has been vetted by two of our members, Ruth Keely and Barb Gilliland. Both attended very well received presentations given by David at their respective senior cooperatives. Even though David's career was in the financial services industry, his real passion is American history, and, that passion is obvious in the presentations he gives throughout the Twin Cities on a variety of historical topics. Come prepared with any questions you may have about Prohibition, and David will allow time to respond to them.

As usual, after the program, we'll have a very short business meeting followed by lunch. Attendees can either bring their own lunch or buy the catered lunch for \$8.00. Please notify our co-chair, Kathy Eager (kathy@darrelleager.com) no later than Tuesday evening, January 2, if you'll be coming and if you'll be purchasing the catered lunch. If you want the boxed lunch, please also let Kathy know whether you want a chicken salad sandwich or an egg salad one.

In addition to great programming, one of the benefits of coming to Women's Group is that it helps you get to know other members through conversation prior to the program and during lunch time. All are welcome, and we especially encourage those new to MVUUF to attend. It's a great way to get 2024 off to a good start.



Love is what we are born with. Fear is what we learn. The spiritual journey is the unlearning of fear and prejudices and the acceptance of love back in our hearts.

Marianne Williamson



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Evening Book Club

Even though Minnesota is experiencing a snow shortage, the landscape bares evidence of winter. Reading a good book makes the dark days and cold nights seem less brutal. Make joining The Evening Book Group a New Year's Resolution. We try to make choices that will generate thought and spark discussion. Our specialty is "books you never would have read on your own, but you are glad you did". Our upcoming list, alternating fiction and nonfiction, follows::

January 18, 2024, *Darkness at Noon* by Arthur Koestler

February 15th, 2024, *How the Elites Ate the Social Justice Movement* by Fredrik DeBoer

NO MEETING IN MARCH

April 18, 2024, *Life as We Knew it* by Susan Beth Pfeffer

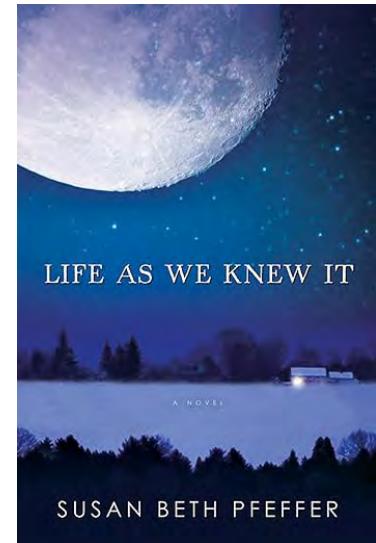
May 16, 2024, *The Second Brain: The Groundbreaking New Understanding of Nervous Disorders of the Stomach and Intestine* by Michael D. Gershon, MD

June 20, 2024, *This Tender Land* by William Kent Krueger

July 18, 2024, *The Wager: A Tale of Shipwreck, Mutiny and Murder* by David Grann

August 16, 2024, *The Natural History* by Andrea Barrett

September 19.2024, Sensational: The Hidden History of Girl Stunt Reporters by Kim Todd. **Note:** Ms. Todd will be speaking to The Women's Group on April 6, 2024, at 10:30 AM



The Evening Book Group usually meets on the third Thursday of the month throughout the year at 7 PM.

PLEASE NOTE THAT THERE IS NO MEETING IN MARCH.

The only requirement to attend is that you read, or attempt to read, the monthly selection. Feel free to come to any or all of the meetings. Let us know a little ahead of time so we can send you a Zoom invitation. We welcome newcomers! Questions? Email Joyce at joyceamcmartin@gmail.com or text at 952-210-1372 or leave a message at 952-942-7143.

MVUUUF TAXI SERVICE

Going to the airport or need help getting to an appointment? Call the MVUUUF Taxi. This service has been around since 2002. It's not only helpful, it also creates extra income for the Fellowship.

The MVUUUF Taxi operates by members giving other members rides to the airport or wherever they need to go. Then the receiving member donates to MVUUUF what they would normally spend on a cab, Uber or Lyft. It is a painless way to support the Fellowship and has been very successful

Are you interested in participating? We are looking for riders as well as additional drivers. Please contact Jeannie, office@mnvalleyuu.org or Steve Danko, 612-978-2587 to arrange for a trip or to volunteer.

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REI January 25th at 7pm

Religion, Ethics and Ideas will meet on Thursday, January 25th at 7:00 on ZOOM.

Topic is still to be determined. Please watch the Friday email for topic and Zoom links. If you have any questions please contact John Peloquin.



YOGA Now on Zoom New Time 4-5pm

Space is freedom. When we create space in the body, we lessen rigidity

We'll continue to meet Mondays and Wednesdays on zoom through January. The only change we're making is having class from **4:00-5:00pm CST**. (note the time is 15 minutes earlier)

This is the link: <https://zoom.us/j/3953901346>
meeting ID: 395 390 1346

Class dates for January are: 3, 8, 10, 15, 17, 22, 24 and 29

The classes consist of stretching, strength-building, flexibility, right/left brain work and balance practice for all. You are encouraged to go at your own pace and to do only the poses/movements that suit you and your needs. Have a yoga mat and strap, wear loose, comfortable clothing, and come prepared to move and have some fun.



NOTICE:This is a very active, moving and stretching class, with lots of up and down—on the mat, standing and back onto the mat. Though chairs are used, this is NOT a chair yoga class.

We love visitors—you don't need to be a member of MVUUF, AND, there is no fee, we just ask that you make a donation to the fellowship.

Fran Bohlke is your instructor. Questions? Please email Fran — bryawnte@msn.com

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UU Christian Fellowship at MVUUF

The MVUUF chapter of the **UU Christian Fellowship** meets on the 4th Sunday of the month at 3:30pm on Zoom. No December meeting but please join in January if interested.

Join the meeting here:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/3953901346>

Contact Rev. Laura (minister@mnvalleyuu.org) for more info.

MVUUF meets diverse spiritual needs; let us know how we can help meet yours.



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GRIEF
/grēf/ noun
a strong, sometimes overwhelming emotion for people, regardless of whether their sadness stems from the loss of a loved one or from another form of loss.

*Grief Support Circle
1st Wednesdays at 10:30am
Fireside Room*

The Plastic Bag Recycle Project

Please place clean, dry and "stretchable" plastic here.
Also accepted: bubble wrap and bubble wrap envelopes with labels cut off
No food tainted plastic bags
No plastic wrap

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Print copies of Uni-Sun

Would you like a print copy of the Uni-Sun? Just email Jeannie at office@mnvalleyuu.org and she will get one to you.
Or look on the wall by the nametags for the current month.



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MVUUF Calendar

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
31 10:30am - Sunday	1 3:15pm - Nicole	2 10:30am - Grief Circle 12pm - Marketing 3:30pm - Nicole 6pm - MA -	3 11am - Uke Jam -	4 10:15am - Women's Group	5 11:30am - Volunteer 4pm - Community Night	6 10:30am - CYF
7 10:30am - Sunday 10:30am - CYF	8 2:45pm - Nicole 4:15pm - Yoga Zoom	9 10am - Needlework 11am - Nicole Voice 3:15pm - Nicole 7pm - Needlework	10 3:30pm - Nicole 4:15pm - Yoga Zoom 6pm - MA -	11 7pm - BoT Meeting 7pm - men's group	12 10am - Needlework	13 11:30am - Volunteer 4pm - Community Night
14 10:30am - Sunday 10:30am - MLK 12pm - Eve/Kai OWL	15 10:30am - Soul 2:45pm - Nicole 4:15pm - Yoga Zoom	16 10am - Needlework 3:15pm - Nicole	17 3:30pm - Nicole 4:15pm - Yoga Zoom 6pm - MA -	18 5:30pm - 7pm - Evening Book 7pm - Membership 7pm - Needlework	19 11am - Uke Jam -	20 11:30am - CYF
21 10:30am - Sunday 10:30am - CYF 12pm - Starting Point	22 2:45pm - Nicole 3:30pm - CoSM 4:15pm - Yoga Zoom	23 10am - Needlework 11am - Nicole Voice 3:15pm - Nicole 7pm - NWG evening	24 3:30pm - Nicole 4:15pm - Yoga Zoom 6pm - MA -	25 12pm - Guys Lunch 7pm - REI on Zoom	26 11am - Uke Jam	27 11:30am - CYF
28 10:30am - Sunday 10:30am - CYF 11:30am - Potluck 3:30pm - UU	29 2:45pm - Nicole 4:15pm - Yoga zoom	30 3:15pm - Nicole	31 3:30pm - Nicole 6pm - MA -	1 11am - Uke Jam -	2 10:15am - Women's group 5:30pm - WiCoM	3 11:30am - CYF

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MVUUF Service Schedule

SUNDAY Service is at 10:30am. Services are multi-platform. You may join us in person, on Zoom or you can livestream on YouTube.

<https://zoom.us/j/3953901346> or call 312-626-6799; Meeting ID: 395 390 1346

Please check the [website](#), Friday emails and the above content of the Uni-Sun for all the MVUUF events

If you would like to volunteer to help as a Greeter, Usher or treat-bringer, here is a [link to sign up](#).

The latest Covid guidelines are available online and on page 2 of this newsletter.

Church Directory



Are you a member of MVUUF?

Would you like a directory of Fellowship members?

Email Jeannie at office@mnvalleyuu.org for an electronic or hard copy directory.

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STRONGER TOGETHER

LOVE'S HANDS IN THE WORLD

CALLED TO CREATE JUSTICE

RESPONSIBLE FOR ONE
ANOTHER AND THE EARTH

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Board, Committees and Staff

BOARD OFFICERS OF THE FELLOWSHIP AS OF 7/1/2023

Chair & Board Member	Kathleen Coate
Chair-elect & Board Member	Linda Hayen
Secretary & Board Member	Carla V. Ries
Treasurer	Richard Duffin

BOARD TRUSTEES AS OF 7/1/2023

Trustee & Board Member	Myra Basar
Trustee & Board Member	Holly Bruce
Trustee & Board Member	Jody Gray
Trustee & Board Member	Becky McPeek
Trustee & Board Member	

BOARD WORKGROUPS

Craft/Bake Sale	Laura Thompson, Kathleen Coate, Jody Gray, Suzanne Scribner and Candace Mahowald
Marketing Team	Becky McPeek, Rev Laura Thompson, Steve Danko, Jeannie Piekos, Richard Duffin

MVUUF STANDING COMMITTEES AS OF 7/1/2023

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Aesthetics	Karen Olson
Archives	Kathy Eager
Congregational Care	Andrea Anderson
Committee on Shared Ministry	Barb Gilliland
Endowment	Holly Bruce
Finance	Steve Danko
Membership	Eric Grady
Music	Barb Becker
Nominating	Barb Gilliland
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Religious Education	Maria Bavier
Stewardship	Kelley Hughes
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Uni-Sun Item Submission Information

The deadline for UNI-SUN is the 20th of each month.

Submit articles to **office@mnvalleyuu.org**