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We Are One by Rev. Kaaren Anderson

Perhaps if I could pull my senses back
to the scraping squeak of the window opening
that welcomes in the pasture's chorus of peepers,
whose resonate tones glide over my bed sheet and mental haze,
I'd be able to hear my amphibian friends' primordial call:
We are one, we are one, we are one

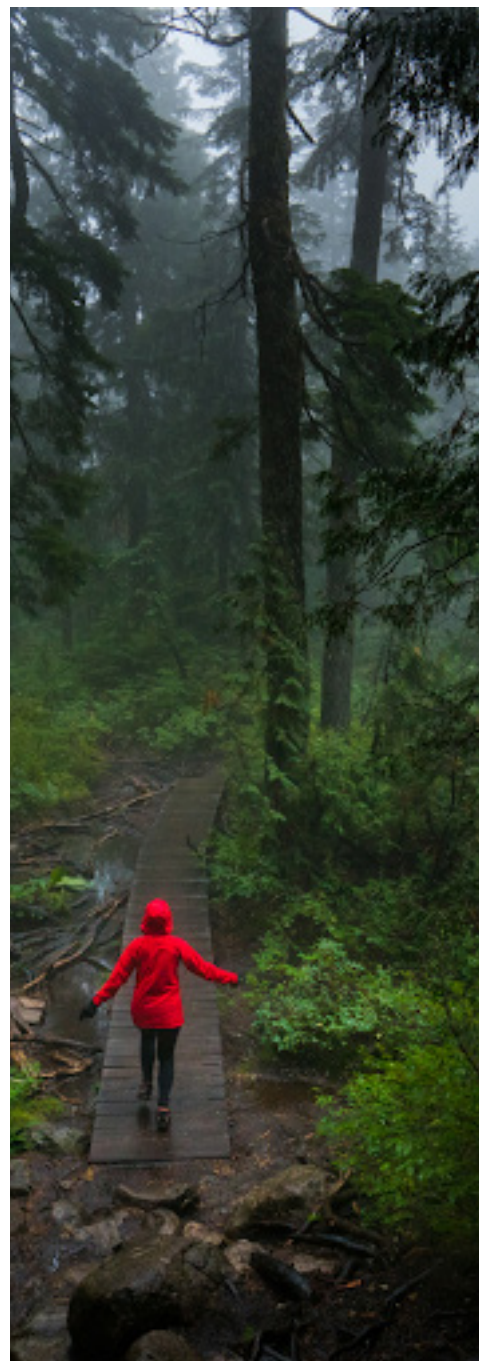
Perhaps if I could recall the rapid thrum
of the nine hummingbirds beating wings,
whipping in and out around the feeder,
with a thrummmm, thrummmm, thrummmm
on that cold Montana morning in May,
I'd remember that my heart beat synched with metronomic ease
to their tiny thrumming selves and rhythmic reminder:
We are one, we are one, we are one

Perhaps if I could be real still
and lay my body on the syrupy mud
along the creek behind the wood
and hear the ferns unfurling in unison
and the roots of the poplar stretching toward the spring,
I'd remember that the universe sings a song to us,
each minute, of every hour, of every day, of every year:
We are one, we are one, we are one

Perhaps if I made it a priority to listen to that siren song,
I'd ask the right questions, and make the right statements;
and return to the communion of creatures of which I am a part.

The truth is we make this planet about us, and only us
and when we do, the earth calls our separate selves back, singing:
"Ask yourself, you beautiful, thoughtful, gorgeous species,
How much of the planet are you really entitled to?
How much of the planet are you really entitled to?"

And with the peepers, and the hummingbirds and the ferns and the roots,
I would respond:
We are one, we are one, we are one.



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

April 7th: We Are One; the NATURE of Interdependence



Join us for a service that celebrates our interdependence in two ways; the ways we honor our interdependence with nature and with one another. This is a New Member Sunday! With Rev. Laura, Jeannie Piekos and the MVUUF Choir.

April 14th: Stigmas and Stonewalls



We navigate loneliness, anxiety, depression and a whole other host of other challenges to our mental health everyday. What are the barriers that we as a society continue to put up that allow such challenges to flourish on such a widespread scale. Rev. Laura, Betty Miller and guest musician, award winning finger-style guitarist Hiroya Tsukamoto.

April 21th: Music Sunday & Annual Auction



Huzzah!! Come one and all for one of our favorite Sundays of the year! Experience the joy of Music Sunday and relish in the amazing goods and services to be had at our annual auction. You are encouraged to invite a friend to this service!

April 28: The Three Hardest Words to Say: I Need Help



Our pesky 'rugged individualistic', 'pull yourself up by your own bootstraps' culture has placed significant barriers around us feeling comfortable in asking others for help and support when we need it. What are some tools to overcome it? With Rev. Laura and Carla V. Ries.

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Letter from the Board Chair

As spring approaches, my family is planning to say goodbye to two beautiful ash trees in our front yard. Many neighborhoods all around the region are dealing with the destructive emerald ash borer, combined with the lingering drought, and seeing the removal of these once healthy trees. For us, we will now be relying more on our maple to help shield us from the late afternoon sun. Some things we just have to let go, and make way for new growth.

Spring this year is also bringing uncertain and unusual weather patterns - air systems that push each other around and confuse the budding plants that are trying to grow! To me, this feels a bit like some of the uncertainty in my and my spouse's workplace dynamics, or the challenges our growing children are facing as they navigate how to "adult" in our country's frustrating social and political landscape. My goal for navigating this spring is to find stability wherever I can, and focus on the growth opportunities.

Speaking of growth, we are thrilled to welcome new members to our fellowship on **April 7th for new-member Sunday!** We have welcomed 19 new members since last June - this is the largest membership class in decades. (We'd love to make it 24 by July, so if you are still considering joining, please submit your membership form, talk to a board member, or call the main office and ask for one!)

As of the writing of this letter, the new members as of June 2023 are:

- Daniel Bicknell
- Sarah Collins and Matt Schneider
- Karen Colton
- Seth and Yamini Ficke
- Allison Geurts
- Kevin Gregerson
- Angelica Healer
- Alicia Williams and Keith Higgins
- William Hodgson
- Greg Kirkwood
- Mimi Law
- Marcie Lovejoy
- Gail Russell
- Stuart Smith
- Angie Tangen
- Lara Tellis

Welcome all! For everyone, and especially if you're new or a frequent visitor, I'd like to extend a very special invitation to attend our April 21st Music Sunday and Silent Auction. Please mark your calendars, and most importantly, bring along additional friends and family members! The service that day will be one of our most family-friendly and inspiring services of the year. And afterwards at the silent auction, there will be many wonderful items to bid on. We'd love to inspire some friendly competition in the bidding and get us to our final push for our 2023-24 fundraising goal. Along with the April 21st events, there are many other fun things happening this Spring, so keep checking the calendar on the website and the Friday emails for how to get involved.

Sincerely,

Kathleen Coate
Chair, Board of Trustees



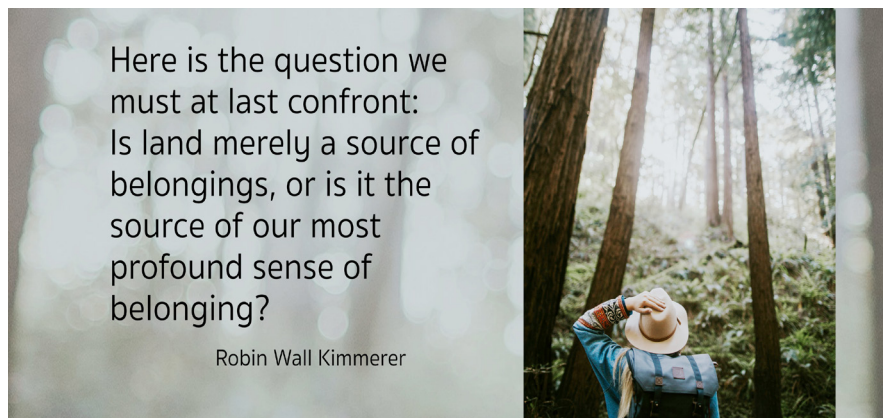
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Board Highlights

Board highlights from March

The board is busy preparing for the Annual Meeting, which will be held on **Sunday, May 19th** after the service. (Members, please watch your email for the official notice, which will be sent on April 29th.) We will need a quorum to vote on next year's budget, so please make every effort to attend either in person, or on Zoom. We are pleased with the pledge returns received so far; it is extremely helpful in planning for next year for us to know what our budget will look like. As announced by the Stewardship Committee in the service a few weeks ago, we have calculated that a \$300 increase in pledges from each household will help us plan a balanced budget for 2024-25. Additionally, we are looking forward to rolling out some marketing and merchandise using our beautiful new logo; this will help with community awareness.

Some committees are still in need of members and leaders, including the membership, stewardship, and others. Please contact board@mnvalleyuu.org if you're interested in helping out.



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Communications & Administration

Hello friends. Wow, April is here. It's been such a busy couple of months. There is always so much to do this time of year so I have been busy taking care of business and checking things off the list. And, yet, some other things of value are going on as well. Things that also have my attention. Like I planted a bunch of flower and herb seeds on the 16th and already I have seedlings. So many green little sprouts. Every morning I acknowledge them and every night I praise them. They seem to grow by the minute. I am so excited to see what they will become and I am also thrilled just to see them sprout beneath my grow lights. Just seeing them makes me feel nourished by green goodness.

Also, it's Poetry Month! A good excuse to sit with a book or two of poems and take in a different kind of sustenance. If you want more poetry in your life this month, or anytime, two wonderful resources are poets.org and the poetryfoundation.org and who knows perhaps I will sneak a couple of poems on MVUUF's [FaceBook page](#). I hope you'll visit it and let me know what you think.

Of course, I can't help but leave you with a poem. Here's a favorite by William Stafford.

You Reading This, Be Ready
by William Stafford

Starting here, what do you want to remember?
How sunlight creeps along a shining floor?
What scent of old wood hovers, what softened
sound from outside fills the air?

Will you ever bring a better gift for the world
than the breathing respect that you carry
wherever you go right now? Are you waiting
for time to show you some better thoughts?

When you turn around, starting here, lift this
new glimpse that you found; carry into evening
all that you want from this day. This interval you spent
reading or hearing this, keep it for life –

What can anyone give you greater than now,
starting here, right in this room, when you turn around?

SOUL MATTERS MONTHLY THEME: Interdependence

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 Interdependence. How would you answer?

- How has the place where you live shaped the way you understand and approach life?
- Has a tree ever spoken to you? How about a river? Or the ocean? Or the moon?



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Children, Youth & Family Ministry

Welcome to April! This month we will be exploring the theme of interdependence: Our faith teaches us that we can't go it alone! Our Nursery|Preschool and Elementary lessons will be about community as an excellent source of nurturing and connection to the earth, nature, all its creatures and all its creations. Our Crossing Paths Youth Group will be exploring Buddhism and its connections to Unitarian Universalism. This month's journey is not just about filling our heads with interesting ideas, stories and meditations but also about expanding our hearts with stronger and more tender connections with each other.

I am so pleased with our Children, Youth and Family Ministry programming. This past month I asked the youth if their lesson went well. They said, "Yes! That was fun!" I am grateful for time to visit parents about parenting and



about our values: We are continuing to recycle multi-layered plastic through Ridwell. Social Action|Racial Justice Committee advocated for this recycling service and our participation is multi-generational! I heard from another parent that the whole family wanted to come to CYF! Here are some photos of the elementary class making seed art and oobleck. The youth group made their own obstacle course for a three-legged race.



I am so glad to witness this community-building, value-exploring fun!



Back by popular demand!

Kid's Night at MVUUF features a grilled cheese supper, game, activities and crafts.

Come on Saturday, April 13 from 4:30-8pm for Parent's Night Out. Suggested Donation of \$10/Child or \$20/Family.

[Please Register Here.](#)



Children, Youth & Family Ministry



OWL

Our Whole Lives is honest, accurate information about sexuality that dismantles stereotypes and assumptions, builds self-acceptance and self-esteem, fosters healthy relationships, improves decision making and has the potential to save lives. OWL for 4-6th graders is age-appropriate, fun and builds community. It is a 10 session program running from the end of September through the middle of December. My colleagues who have lifespan OWL programs in their congregations attest that having this honest, accurate education offered at younger ages supports the 7-9th grade OWL program. MVUUF has offered 7-9th Grade OWL in the past, every three years. The Board of Trustees, the Elementary-Aged OWL Facilitator Team and Rev. Laura support beginning an OWL program for 4-6th graders. Now, we need your support and participation! [Beginning with taking this poll.](#)

[CYF Calendar Link](#) for the rest of the year! All programming will take place on Sundays from 10:30-11:45 a.m. unless it is a field trip or Community Night. CYF Sundays: children ages 6 months - 4 years are in the Nursery|Preschool Classroom. K-5th grade are in the Elementary Classroom. Youth in 6-12th grade are in Crossing Paths.

[Registration](#) for Children's programming and Youth Group is open!

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

Date	Schedule
4/7	CYF Sunday
4/13	SATURDAY Kids Night 4:30pm-8pm
4/14	CYF Sunday
TBD	Crossing Paths Youth Group: VISIT SGI-USA Meditation Center MPLS
4/21	Multigenerational Worship Service
4/28	CYF Sunday Potluck - Bring a Dish
5/5	CYF Sunday
6/2	Flower Communion and Hyland Lake Park Reserve Lakeview Room Pot- luck, big playground



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MUSIC AT MVUUF!

Music Sunday and the Service Auction are finally here!! April 21st MUST be put on your calendar. Come and hear all of the musical talent MVUUF has to offer during the service. Stay after for all the goodies and services one can buy for themselves or others, all while supporting our fellowship!

Anyone needing accompaniment for Music Sunday MUST contact Lark by April 1st! Please make sure to let Nicole know your musical selection along with the composer and a brief 2-3 sentences of who you are and why you chose your song.



Order of events for Sunday, April 21 2024:

- **10:30 to 11:30** - *Music (and more?)*
- **11:30 to 1:00** - **Bidding and snacks**
- **1:00** - **Bidding ends**



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Music at MVUUF

We are excited to announce that we will be hosting a special guest musician for our Sunday service on April 14th. Hiroya Tsukamoto is a Japanese-born fingerstyle guitarist who moved to the United States in 2000 to attend the Berklee College of Music. Needless to say, he's not only a dizzyingly agile fingerpicker, but a soulful and transcendent performer, with compositions that combine instrumental guitar work with lyrical performance and spoken stories from his life. Tsukamoto has been recognized for his talents on stages such as at Blue Note in NYC, Japanese National Television (NHK) and United Nations, and by scoring second place at the International Fingerstyle Guitar Championship both in 2018 and 2022. We look forward to welcoming him and hope you will join us for this special service. Read more about Hiroya Tsukamoto [HERE](#).

Spring choral concert anyone? Come here Nicole sing with Angelica Encore, Friday, April 12th, at Community of the Cross Lutheran Church 7:30 pm. \$10 tickets AND Sunday, April 14th at Mount Olive Church, Mpls. Music Series at 4:00pm. Free



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Service Auction

It's Auction Time!

Again this year, Music Sunday and the MVUUF Service Auction will be one wonderful event on **April 21st**.

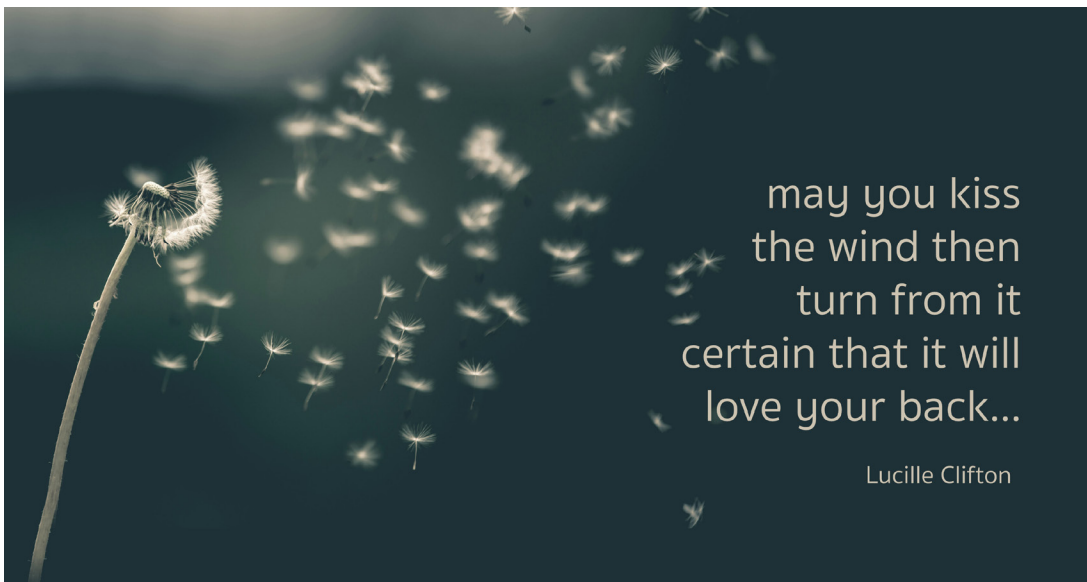
Musicians are invited to hit melodic notes both high and low. MVUUF members are invited to pitch in with their donations and EVERYONE is invited to celebrate this special Sunday! Remember that the Service Auction is an important part of funding our yearly budget so we encourage your participation in both donating your gifts and purchasing your favorite offerings.



There will be some games and a raffle drawing during the service. After the service we'll have our usual hospitality treats enhanced by donations from the auction committee. Munch while bidding on dinners, food, tickets to plays and events, services offered and other good things. After bidding closes you can leave. Your auction team will tally the winnings over the next few days and you pay for and pick up your items the following Sunday. What remains unsold will be offered during the following week at fixed prices.

If you can't make the silent auction in person, absentee bidding will be available. Tickets go on sale on Sundays before and after the service starting April 7th. Look for more details in the Friday emails and at mnvalleyuu.org. If you have questions please ask. See you at the auction!

Jean Danko, Barb Becker, Karen Olson, Leslie Swenson, Mary Tuttle



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Stewardship

One of the best things about our community is that it is built by and sustained by our members and friends. Our programs, services and mission are driven by our values and the needs and desires of the congregation.

All of this happens through a shared model of ministry between staff and volunteers. Equally as important are your financial contributions; your pledges are the fuel that keeps our fire of commitment burning.

Thank you for your support!



It's Time to Build Our Budget!

Have you made your 2024-25 pledge?
Please return your pledge by April 7th,
so the finance team can get to work.



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Social Action Racial Justice

The Social Action Racial Justice committee will be meeting after the service on April 7th and May 5th.

They are always excited to welcome new members and we are looking forward to a busy year with Bloomington Pride and healing with UU The Vote with the upcoming election.

Please read below for information on our April Sunday Sharing partner.

As challenges intensify in Gaza and across the West Bank, the importance of our work at the Palestine Children's Relief Fund has never been more critical. This Ramadan, we find ourselves at a pivotal moment for countless children in Palestine and other regions served by our humanitarian efforts. Our mission is to provide the much-needed sustenance and support these vulnerable children require. Tens of thousands are displaced, homeless, and tragically, thousands upon thousands of children are now orphaned.

We are committed to ensuring they receive nutritious meals, essential medical relief, and the compassionate care they desperately need, bringing light to their darkest hour. As the leading nonprofit that brings hundreds of volunteer medical professionals to the Middle East annually to treat children and provide crucial nutrition and humanitarian aid, we depend on your support.

Your contributions enable us to extend a lifeline to more children, ensuring they have the necessary food and care to not just survive but thrive.



April Sunday Sharing Partner

**Join our lifesaving mission
to help Gaza's children with
emergency food and
medical aid.**



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Endowment

You may be wondering about the endowment fund- where the money comes from, what is the process to decide how the money is spent and how has the money been spent recently?

The endowment fund is NOT spent on budgeted operations like salaries and office supplies. It is available, upon request, for special projects that benefit the congregation. There is a form that is completed by the sponsor and turned over to the endowment committee who read it, get clarification as needed, then passes it onto the Board of Trustees for final approval. It is the responsibility of the sponsor or the sponsoring committee to schedule the event, complete the necessary paperwork, advertise the event, recruit any necessary helpers, clean up, to basically run the event.

The current fund has been financed through legacy gifts from individuals and financial tributes usually given at a memorial service in sympathy cards or via information in obituaries. Please consider including MVUUF in your legacy plans, your will or beneficiary assignments. Inform your family of your wish to complete your current year pledge commitment and to donate a gift and/or memorials to the MVUUF endowment fund or to specific projects/programs such as the music committee or OWL or Soul Matters.

The endowment committee has drafted [a sample letter](#) you could use to communicate your wishes to your family.

The money is currently invested by the UUA, along with endowment funds from other UU congregations.

Before the COVID pandemic threw everything into disarray, the endowment fund had funded a musical evening with Opera students and some staff training.

If you have an idea or a project you think would benefit our community you can talk to a committee member or ask our Administrator for an endowment fund form.

If you have any questions contact Holly Bruce who is the chair of the endowment committee. Thank you for being a part of our community.



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Women's Group Saturday April 13th

Woman's Group will meet April 13th (note: date change)

We are excited to have Kim Todd join us. The presentation is titled "Sensational: The Hidden History of America's "Girl Stunt Reporters "

In the late nineteenth century, female journalists across the United States risked reputation and safety to expose the rot at the heart of the Gilded Age. Dubbed "girl stunt reporters," they adopted various disguises and stole into sewing factories to report on child labor, fainted in the streets to test public hospital treatment, posed as lobbyists to reveal corrupt politicians. Their storytelling abilities and innovative techniques redefined journalism for the modern era.



We extend an invitation to all interested, in this book, and hearing about this fascinating era of history .

Extra exciting, the evening book club will discuss this book next year. Book club please attend.

Kim will have books available for sale at \$19.99. Cash, checks, or Venmo. No credit cards.

Email Kathy, kathy@darrelleager.com if you will be attending, if you wish to purchase the catered box lunch for \$8.00- indicate chicken or egg salad sandwich- or if you are bringing your own lunch by Tuesday, April 9 end of day.

We start with coffee and conversation at 10:15. Presentation at 10:30. Lunch afterward with sparkling conversations.

Men's Group April 11th at 7PM

Forests and Climate Change in Minnesota

Men's Group will meet Thursday April 11 at 7PM by ZOOM, our speaker will be Lee Frelich Director of the Center for Forest Ecology at the university of Minnesota. Lee's topic will be The Impact of Climate Change on Minnesota's Forest. Lee has a PhD in Forestry from the University of Wisconsin at Madison.

All members of the fellowship are invited to attend regardless of gender. Questions contact John Peloquin.

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84754904839?pwd=K1NzVmpJVHFNMDdQNlZrS3JCvVIWdz09>

Meeting ID: 847 5490 4839 Passcode: 448581



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Evening Book Club

Join Evening Book Club for these great reads:

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

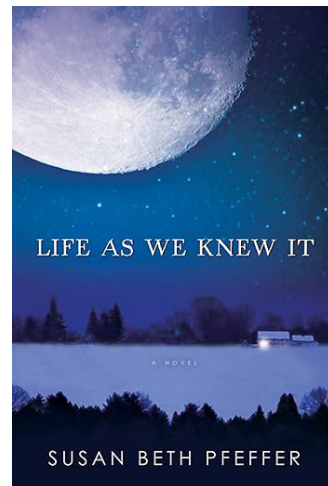
May 16, 2024, *The Second Brain: The Groundbreaking New Understanding of Nervous Disorders of the Stomach and Intestine* by Michael D. Gershon, MD

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.

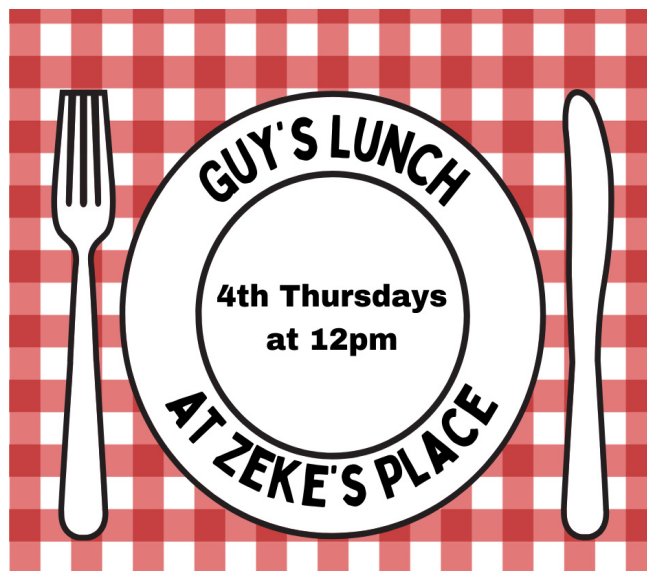
The only requirement to attend is that you read, or attempt to read, the monthly selection. Feel free to come to any or all of the meetings. Let us know a little ahead of time so we can send you a Zoom invitation. We welcome newcomers! Questions? Email Joyce at joyceamcmartin@gmail.com or text at 952-210-1372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



**Abide
in
Me**
John 15:1-8

MVUUUF's UU Christian Fellowship chapter will discuss John 15:1-8 and the interdependent nature of Christianity

Sunday April 28th at 12:15 in Fireside Room



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Our Creative Community

SAVE THE DATE: NOVEMBER 16TH

Wondering about Our Creative Community? That wonderful event held last May that celebrated the creativity and talent among our members here at MVUUF? Did you wish you had participated or perhaps you were not available that night. Wondering if will it happen again? Well – here’s your chance!!

Linda Hayden and Nicole Collins are planning OCC – 2ND EDITION - to be held on Saturday, November 16th of this year. Planning is already underway so SAVE THE DATE!!

This time the event will be a fundraiser and since we don’t feel like we should have to pay to entertain ourselves, there will be a “featured performance” which is yet undetermined but sure to be noteworthy (and worthy of a ticket for admission!)

All members of our community are invited and encouraged to participate! What is your specialty? Both performing and visual art will be featured. Last time we had a juggler, comedy skits, poetry readings, a pianist, sculpture, paintings, needlework and much, much more.

We are hoping to raise money for our Fellowship to make a dent in the shortfall for our budget. If you can help us to plan, set up or clean up the day of, donate food or drinks, or have ideas or input, please contact Linda Hayden at linda590.lh@gmail.com. More information coming soon!!




Going through a big change?

**TRANSITIONS
SUPPORT GROUP**

**3rd Tuesdays
7pm on Zoom**

Big life transitions can be emotionally and mentally draining. Change can bring grief and loss of what was familiar, even if the change is good. We may feel uncertainty, anxiety, and disruptions to social connections and support systems, leading to feelings of isolation. We are here for you.



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
Wednesday April 3rd at 10:30am

Hosted by Rev. Laura

New New Transitions Support Group

Divorce or Break-up? A Big Move? Retirement? Life’s big changes are challenging and stressful. You don’t have to go it alone. Join us for 90 minutes of centering and check-in space. Tuesday, April 16th, 7-8:30pm
<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/3953901346>



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Helpful information

Bring your plastics to MVUUF and recycle with Ridwell!

Ridwell picks up on the first and third Mondays. For April that means the 8th and 22nd. You must have your recyclables in their proper bag by Sunday the 7th and/or the 21st directly after the service.

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

Along with multi-layer plastics, batteries and light bulbs you can also bring in plastic 6-pack rings, plastic bottle caps, cords and cables.



Please 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.



Please place clean, dry and "stretchable" plastic in bin.

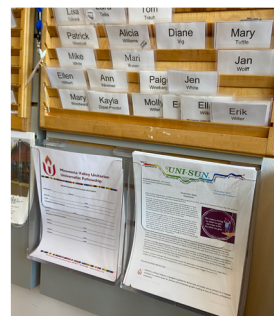
Also accepted: bubble wrap & bubble wrap envelopes with labels removed

No food-tainted plastic bags

No plastic wrap



Where to find copies of the Uni-Sun



The current Uni-Sun is always available on our website. You will find back issues there, too.

We, also, always have print copies available. We can mail you one or you can find them on the wall by the nametags for the current month.

If you want one by mail, please email Jeannie at office@mnvalleyuu.org



MVUUF Calendar

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
31 10:30am - Sunday	1 1pm - Mah Jong 2:45pm - Nicole	2 11am - Nicole Voice 3:15pm - Nicole	3 10:30am - Grief 3:30pm - Nicole 6pm - MA -	4 4pm - Service	5 11am - Uke Jam -	6
7 10:30am - Sunday 10:30am - CYF	8 1pm - Mah Jong 2:45pm - Nicole	9 10am - Needlework 3:15pm - Nicole 7pm - Needlework	10 3:30pm - Nicole 6pm - MA - 7:15pm - BoT Mtg	11 7pm - men's group	12 10am - Needlework	13 10:15am - Women's Group 4:30pm - Kid's Night
14 10:30am - Sunday 10:30am - CYF 12pm - Eve/Kai OWL 12pm - Starting Pt	15 10:30am - Soul Matters 1pm - Mah Jong 2:45pm - Nicole	16 10am - Needlework 11am - Nicole Voice 3:15pm - Nicole 7pm - Transitions Grp	17 3:30pm - Nicole 6pm - MA -	18 7pm - Evening Book 7pm - Membership 7pm - Needlework	19 11am - Uke Jam -	20 3pm - Svc Auction
21 Svc Auction/Music 10:30am - Sunday 10:30am - CYF	22 1pm - Mah Jong 2:45pm - Nicole 3:30pm - CoSM 6:30pm - CCC	23 10am - Needlework 3:15pm - Nicole 7pm - NWG evening	24 3:30pm - Nicole 6pm - MA -	25 12pm - Guys Lunch 7pm - REI on Zoom	26 11am - Uke Jam	27
28 10:30am - Sunday 10:30am - CYF 11:30am - Potluck 12:15pm - UU Christian Fellowship	29 1pm - Mah Jong 2:45pm - Nicole	30 10am - Needlework 11am - Nicole Voice 3:15pm - Nicole	1 10:30am - Grief 3:30pm - Nicole 6pm - MA -	2	3 11am - Uke Jam -	4 10:15am - Women's 5:30pm - WiCoM



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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. Please find YouTube link on our website.

<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, please contact Patrick or the office to sign up with a hospitality team. office@mnvalleyuu.org

Church Directory



Are you a member of MVVUF?

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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ALL CONNECTED

STRONGER TOGETHER

LOVE'S HANDS IN THE WORLD

CALLED TO CREATE JUSTICE

RESPONSIBLE FOR ONE
ANOTHER AND THE EARTH



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Staff, Committee & BOT

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 WORKGROUPS

Marketing Committee	Doug Bruce, Richard Duffin, Steve Danko, Becky McPeek, Laura Thompson, Jeannie Piekos
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MVUUF STANDING COMMITTEES AS OF 7/1/2023

Committee	Chair(s)
Adult Education and Enrichment	Rev. Laura Thompson
Aesthetics	Karen Olson
Archives	Kathy Eager
Congregational Care	Andrea Anderson
Committee on Shared Ministry	Barb Gilliland
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