



# UNI•SUN

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UNIVERSALIST FELLOWSHIP NEWSLETTER

MARCH SCHEDULE: See Sunday Service schedule, themes and leaders on pages 2 & 3

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Trust is a vital spiritual theme in Unitarian Universalism, shaping how we engage with one another, with the world, and with the unfolding mystery of existence. As a faith tradition that embraces diverse beliefs and encourages an open search for truth, Unitarian Universalism calls us to cultivate trust in ways that honor both individual freedom and collective responsibility.

At the heart of trust, as a UU spiritual theme, is a belief in the inherent worth and dignity of every person. Trusting in the goodness of others, even when we disagree, allows for deeper relationships and meaningful dialogue. This trust extends to our communities, where we rely on one another to co-create spaces of justice, compassion, and equity. In our congregations, trust enables us to share our vulnerabilities, express our doubts, and explore spiritual questions without fear of judgment.

Trust also plays a role in our relationship with the unknown. Without a single doctrine to define ultimate truth, UUs are invited to trust in the unfolding journey of life itself. Whether one finds trust in love, in human potential, in the interdependent web of all existence, or in a divine presence, this faith in something greater than oneself provides grounding and purpose.

In a world where trust is often broken—by injustice, by betrayal, by fear—our UU principles call us to the spiritual practice of rebuilding trust. This requires deep listening, accountability, and a commitment to living out our values with integrity. It also asks us to trust ourselves—to trust our own experiences, our ability to grow, and our power to make a difference.

Trust, then, is not just a belief but a practice. It is something we nurture in our relationships, in our communities, and in our faith journeys. By fostering trust, we help create a world where love and justice can truly thrive.

See you Sunday,  
Rev. Laura



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

## March 2nd: Sequences of Trust



“Somewhere between imagining our daughter at her Coming of Age rock-climbing weekend and my recent experience of learning how to properly repel down the side of a building, I began thinking about what I have come to call the sequences of trust. You have to trust someone to take some risks, like rock climbing or scaling a building, but then you survive, and you begin to think - maybe the fear was crucial to the feeling of accomplishment - perhaps the trust was crucial to the pride that we feel on the other side of successful risk-taking.” Guest Speaker, former MN Secretary of State, Mark Ritchie, music from Paul Coate

## March 9th: Trusting There's A Path Back



Unitarian Universalists name ourselves as a covenantal faith. But the truth is we all live in covenant -- with family and friends, with our neighbors, with the nation. To be in covenant means to risk the breaking of that covenant. That does not need to be the end of our covenants. We can, holding values that center accountable love, trust that our connections can be repaired, our covenants reforged. MVUUF Ministerial Intern, Chad Snyder and Maureen Murphey with music from Lark Lewis

## March 16th: Repairing Broken Trust



Marilynne Robinson writes, “It is trust that knits up the world...a stuff peculiarly liable to fraying and unraveling.” Throughout our lives our trust is inevitably betrayed and broken and we, too, betray the trust that others put in us. How do we tend our broken hearts and heal? How do we repair the spaces where trust has been broken? Rev. Laura Thompson and Tom Ehlinger

## March 23rd: A Leap of Faith



Our progression in this life relies on us taking risks. How do we let go of what we know is certain in order to move towards what we can't be sure of? What is the cost of risk? What is the cost of not taking a risk? What happens to us when we take a leap of faith and is there a safety net to catch us if we fall? Rev. Laura Thompson and Betty Miller with music from the MVUUF Choir.





# Sunday Services

## March 30th: The Truth About Gender Diversity



March 31st is Transgender Day of Visibility. It's important to not only see and celebrate our trans and nonbinary friends, family and neighbors. But it's important for all of us to understand the truth, complexity and beauty of the gender spectrum. Rev. Laura Thompson and Betty Miller with music from Lark Lewis

## Stewardship 2025-26

### The Stewardship campaign for the 2025-26 church year is here!

As we plan for another year of shared ministry together, we ask you to reflect on what this community means to you and how you can help ensure its future. Your generosity—great or small—enables all of the work we do.

Join us in building a community that burns bright. Members and pledging friends should drop-off or mail in their pledge packets by the end of the month. You can also [pledge online](#) [HERE](#)

Members of the Stewardship team and the Board will be available every Sunday after the service to answer any questions. If you are not yet a member, but would like to join us and pledge your support to MVUUF, please contact Rev. Laura at [minister@mnvalleyuu.org](mailto:minister@mnvalleyuu.org).

If you want to support MVUUF but are not ready to join we welcome pledging friends as well.

If you have questions about the pledging process, want to know last year's pledge or need help with forms or automatic payments, please contact Jeannie at [office@mnvalleyuu.org](mailto:office@mnvalleyuu.org).

Thank you for your continued support!



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## Letter from the Board Chair

Greetings,

Onward and Upward is my theme for this month. The Board continues to progress in the work of updating our Governance Manual and Personnel Handbook.

We have another leadership group here called the “Program Council” which is made up of the Chairs of all the Committees and activity groups here at MVUUF. This group meets quarterly and is very vibrant!

The momentum is building in many ways. The best way to really feel a part of our community is to join a committee or work group and we are so grateful for all our volunteers who keep our church going.

Our Pledge Drive begins this month – please give as generously as you can.

Stay Warm!

Linda

Linda Hayen

Chair of the Board, MVUUF

Did you know that everyone is welcome to attend  
MVUUF's monthly Board meetings?  
They are held on the **second Tuesday of each month**  
at 6:30 in Fellowship Hall.

The next meeting is **March 11th** . If you would like to have  
something placed on the agenda to discuss,  
please email Linda Hayen at [linda590.lh@gmail.com](mailto:linda590.lh@gmail.com)



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## Ministerial Intern

It's Sunday afternoon as I write this, and I just got home from living the rock-n-roll dream of performing a Bruce Springsteen song with the MVUUF choir, Lark, and my drummer wife, Amy. It was honestly some of the most fun I can ever remember having. And it has me thinking about the March worship theme: Trust.

A lot goes into pulling a performance like this one together. I had to trust that I would remember the lyrics, that I would time the lyrics to the chords I played on the guitar. Lark and Amy had to trust that I wouldn't throw off the rhythm of the song -- by too much, anyway. The choir trusted me and Amy and Lark to keep the song together so they'd know when to come in. Nicole trusted me to put in the time to practice the song so I'd be as ready as I ever get to play with all these fantastic musicians.

And we all had to trust that if something went wrong for one piece of the song (and, truth be told, if that happened, I was probably going to be the culprit) we would all find our way back to the thread of the music. Together.

That's what trust is in community. It is not an expectation of perfection. It is faith -- in each other as individuals doing our best, and in the connections and relationships that hold us and make us stronger, wiser, and more caring.

Chad Snyder

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**Exploring** UU Humanism

**“REASON and REVERENCE”**

A discussion of how humanism can be infused with a sense of awe and wonder, inspired by Rev. William Murry’s book.

Contact Chad  
([intern@mnvalleyuu.org](mailto:intern@mnvalleyuu.org))  
for a copy of the book’s introduction

**Sunday March 16  
12:00pm**

3rd Sundays  
Oct, Jan,  
March &  
May



# Uni-Sun Communications & Administration

Hello friends - As I have been recovering from surgery I have been thinking a lot about healing and trust. Healing because, of course, that is what I have been trying to do. And trust, not just because it is the worship theme for March, but because the process of healing involves an act of trust.

Of course, trust (and patience) can be difficult to practice when healing because who doesn't want to jump to the end and feel all better. In my healing journeys, I've found I had to separate myself into my various parts to gain perspective on healing. So even though I am an integrated body/mind/spirit person I've had to separate my body out because it needed more than my mind and spirit allowed. It needed more rest, more recovery, more compassion.

I discovered how unfair it was to my body to be so demanding of it. How if I could see my body as a child or a mother or a friend, I would take better care of it. And that perspective has helped me – helped me to remember compassion for my body and to trust that healing is happening in its own way, on its own time.

I think it's the same when the body is healthy, but the spirit is depleted. We need to find a way to say this component is weary and is going to break - what do I need to do to mend or heal it?

It's ironic that often very compassionate people are not often compassionate with themselves.

My practice then is to trust – to learn, evolve and trust that healing is indeed happening even when I am impatient, frustrated or not seeing the immediate results I might desire.

Perhaps that can be my mantra for spring: *Healing, although not always obvious, is happening.*

Plus spring is coming, my friends. What a wonder it is to walk in temperatures that don't feel harmful. Daylight saving time begins March 9th. Enjoy all that yummy light.

Jeannie Piekos  
Administrator and Director of Communications  
Pronouns: She/Her/Hers

## **SOUL MATTERS MONTHLY THEME: Trust**

There is a plethora of resources in this month's Soul Matters Packet, which includes guided questions and activities, recommended readings, films, music playlists and more. Ask Jeannie for a copy if you are interested. The Soul Matters packet ponders some good questions about Inclusion. How would you answer?

- What would happen if you trusted life enough to let go?
- Have you done more battling with your body than trusting it?
- What have you learned about trusting grief, rather than resisting it?





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## Children, Youth & Family Ministry



*Sunday mornings are a time for making meaningful art, playing, learning and fun.*

Welcome to The Practice of Trust!

Our Nursery|Preschool and Elementary Classes are continuing on a journey: figuring out how to live out our Unitarian Universalist core value of liberating love! I love how this month's theme is broken down into weekly themes: **Trusting Yourself, Trusting Others, Trusting Life, Fixing Broken Trust and Trusting Our Inherent Worth.** I feel like all of these could use additional exploration, and as we dive in, let's be gentle with ourselves. Let's make space to feel all the feelings this month - amidst our family conversations and our fellowship conversations.



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## Children, Youth & Family Ministry

In February we celebrated families with a worship service for all-ages. On these Sundays, children of all-ages are welcome to join their families upstairs in the Sanctuary. If it is easier to see, come sit toward the front. If it is easier to play while listening, we have spaces in the sanctuary and outside the sanctuary that have toys, art supplies and books. And, you can switch spots throughout the service. Families are responsible for their children during these services. And the Nursery|Preschool room is open for our youngest members (generally ages 6 months - preschool).

In January, we started our monthly ingatherings. We begin in the Fellowship Hall downstairs with Nicole, our Music Director, who introduces beloved UU songs. This past month, I found myself humming all week. Thanks, Nicole! We love it!

The Middle and High School youth group is part way through Brain Body Balance, mental health and addiction curriculum. Grounded in Unitarian Universalist values, B3 introduces basic science, and mental health diagnosis, harm reduction, exercise and nutrition. It encourages healthy habits and in a word: balance. They have recently learned about social media and internet safety. I am really liking this curriculum because we are writing it for these youth. Keep coming, y'all; it's worth it (plus there are snacks!).



Maria Bavier

Family Ministry Director, Credentialed Religious Educator  
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[Link to register for CYF](#)

### Our Children, Youth and Family Ministry Programming Calendar

All Sunday programming is from 10:30-11:30 a.m.

- Nursery|Preschool meets every Sunday
- Elementary Soul Matters Exploration meets March 2, 16, 23 and 30
- Coming of Age|Brain Body Balance Youth Group meets March 2, 16, 23 and 30
- Social Action Racial Justice Committee is showing "Will and Harper" on March 8
  - \* Childcare will be provided from 5:30-8pm. We will watch a movie that the children choose, have free-time and snacks.





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## MUSIC AT MVUUF!

Join us for an enchanting musical journey this March. Kicking off the month will feature the incredible talents of Paul R. Coate. Paul is a professional actor and singer who has toured across the continent and has performed locally at the Guthrie, Theatre Latte Da, CTC, Minnesota Orchestra, and Artistry, among many other venues. He serves on the Creative Placemaking Commission for the City of Bloomington and is a member of Actors' Equity Association.

But that's not all! Our very own Lark Lewis will captivate us with pieces by Gwyneth Walker, inspired by Appalachian folksongs. Lark shares, "The focus of this musical depiction is on the ravens. Chord clusters of three notes introduce the music and return throughout. Staccato notes represent the ravens 'chattering' among themselves." She also adds, "House Carpenter is a song of betrayal and tragedy. A young woman, married to a house carpenter, is lured away from her husband and baby by her former suitor, now a wealthy sailor. A life of adventure and romance is promised. The lovers run off together and drown at sea."

We're thrilled to welcome back Tom Ehlinger, whose singing, stories, and presence are sure to inspire and uplift.

Finally, our choir will be performing uplifting pieces from Grammy-nominated local composer Stephen Paulus and Mark Miller, celebrating themes of love and faith.

### SAVE THE DATE!!

**April 13 for Music Sunday and our annual auction.**

For those interested in playing music, meeting for ideas, or arranging for accompaniment, please contact Nicole to make arrangements.

[music@mnvalleyuu.org](mailto:music@mnvalleyuu.org)



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## Groups and Events

"Within you there is a stillness and sanctuary to which you can retreat at any time and be yourself." Hermann Hesse



Midweek Centering Space  
Every Wednesday at 5:30pm

**NEW TO MVUUF?**

**2nd Sundays at 12pm  
to learn more about  
UUism and MVUUF**

**WELCOME!**



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## Groups & Events

### Service Auction 2025

This year's **Service Auction is Sunday, April 13th** and will be held once again right after Spring Music Sunday. We've already received donations from restaurants, theaters, musical groups and more. Now we ask for your donations. A table will be set up outside the sanctuary with more information and donation forms. Or you can [give your donation here](#). Here are some ideas to start -



- Meals, probably the best selling item at every auction. These can be breakfast, brunch, lunch or dinner. Maybe offer a coffee and conversation get-together. The number of people can be whatever you want, 2 or 20. You can host at your home, the church, or a local restaurant or coffee house. Big meal or small, homemade or purchased. Remember, you can borrow chairs, plates, silverware, etc. from the church for your event.
- Gift baskets are nice. They don't have to be large. A couple books and coffee/tea mug, a couple bottles of wine and 2 glasses, a breakfast of pancake mix, syrup, bread. Give what you'd like to receive.
- Treat someone to a movie. Yes, you can offer it only to 1 person instead of a group.
- Gift cards are welcome, but remember they don't always sell for the purchase price.
- Donations at different prices for different budgets. Bid prices can be as low as \$5-\$10. Tickets to museums, plays, theaters, events.

If these ideas don't appeal to you but you'd still like to donate

- Your service (or money) with hospitality that day. We'll need more treats than usual and clean up will be longer.
- We'll need childcare for the youngest during the auction. Donate your service or your dollars towards that.
- We can use help selling raffle tickets and admission to the event.
- Join our committee! We need new ideas, especially from younger adults and families. Nothing we do is very complicated.

We'll be giving more information in the next few weeks. If you have questions, ask any of us or email us at: [mvuufauction@gmail.com](mailto:mvuufauction@gmail.com)

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





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## Groups & Events

### Vision 2028

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DISCOVERY MEETING  
MARCH 23rd 11:45 a.m.

The Board is forming a Task Force to plan for our next 3 years. The duties would be to review and interpret the results of the Congregational Survey in order to create goals and dreams for our community. Meetings would be held regularly from May, 2025 though the end of the year. All are welcome to this meeting to learn more about this exciting opportunity.

### Listening & Support Circle



Thursdays at 11am in the Fireside Room  
Everyone is welcome



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### Like Games?

**Mah Jongg**  
**Mondays at 1pm**

**Poker**  
**1st Friday at 7pm**



**March's Sunday Sharing Partner is**

**oasis**  
FOR YOUTH



Oasis for Youth serves youth who are experiencing or at-risk of experiencing homelessness in Bloomington, Richfield and Edina.





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## Social Action Racial Justice

**The next SARJ meeting will be March 2nd after the Sunday Service.  
All are welcome.**

Hey MVUUF movie buffs and LGBTQ+ Supporters;

Have you heard the plot for the Netflix documentary Will and Harper? Here is a teaser: Will Ferrell and his close friend, former head writer at Saturday Night Live, Harper Steel, embark on a cross-country road trip together after Harper comes out a trans woman. [Click here to see the trailer.](#)

Join the Finance and SARJ committees on Saturday, March 8th from 5-8:30 for a potluck, a screening of Will and Harper, and a facilitated discussion. We will laugh, we might cry, and we are sure to grow as we listen and learn together. Please feel free to join for just the film if you can't make the potluck. See the schedule below.

5:00- 5:40 potluck dinner downstairs.

5:45- 7:45 film begins upstairs in sanctuary. It is almost 2 hours long. Discussion will be after the film.

Child care will be provided during the movie and discussion.

RSVP in the narthex and include children's names and ages. For more information reach out to Chad. [intern@mvalleyuu.org](mailto:intern@mvalleyuu.org)



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## Groups & Events

### First Saturday: March 1st, 10:30 -12:30 UU Friendship, Learning, and Fun

Our topic for March is “The U.S. Supreme Court - Questions and Answers.” The speaker will be Timothy Johnson, a professor of Political Science at the University of Minnesota. Johnson has spent his career studying and writing about the US Supreme Court. We have sent him a long list of questions on topics related to the court that he will “walk through” in his talk. Among the topics are: Supreme Court ethics; frequency of recusals by justices; lifetime tenure; staggered terms for justices; the role of precedence in decisions; what is a super-precedent; methods of interpreting the constitution; how do cases get to the court; “voting blocs” on the court; influence of the Federalist Society in court makeup; etc. He also will leave time for audience questions.

Following the hour-long program and a very short business meeting, we will enjoy lunch and time to socialize. Those planning to buy the \$10 catered lunch must notify Kathy Eager ([Kathy@darrelleager.com](mailto:Kathy@darrelleager.com)) by the end of day on Wednesday, February 26. Email her both that you are coming and what your sandwich preference is. The lunch will include a full sandwich on whole wheat bread with lettuce and tomato and your choice of condiments, a salad, and potato chips. Let Kathy know if you prefer a turkey, an egg salad, or a chicken salad sandwich. (It is also helpful, but not mandatory, to notify Kathy if you’re coming even if you’re bringing your own lunch or not able to stay for lunch.)

One more reminder: If the weather or road conditions are bad on the day of the meeting, please email Kathy Eager or Nancy Buckman ([nancybmnuu@gmail.com](mailto:nancybmnuu@gmail.com)) to learn if the meeting will take place. We welcome newcomers of all genders to visit to check us out for just \$5 to help cover the cost of our speaker. Lunchtime is a great way for newcomers to get to know other MVUUFers.

### REI and Second Thursday Groups

Please watch Friday Email for information about REI and Second Thursday Groups



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## Groups & Events

### Evening Book Club

After a brief break, the Evening Book Group is back. Read one of our selections and join us for a lively discussion. Our list of books, alternating fiction and nonfiction, follows:

March 20, 2025, Submission: A Novel by Michel Houellebecq

April 17, 2025, How the World Really Works: The Science Behind How We Got Here and Where We're Going, by Vaclav Smil

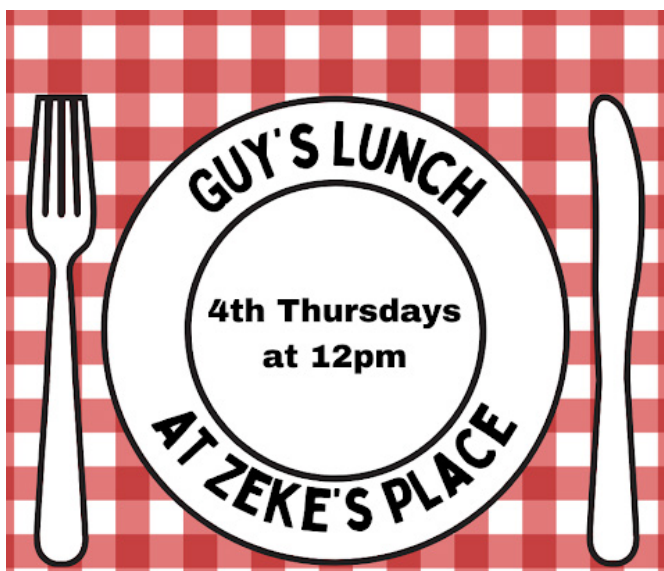
May 15, 2025, Apeirogon: A Novel by Colum McCann

June 19, 2025, Troubled: A Memoir of Foster Care, Family and Social Class by Rob Henderson

July 17, 2025, Saturday Night at the Lakeside Supper Club by J. Ryan Stradal

August 21, 2025, The Warmth of Other Suns: The Epic Story of America's Great Migration by Isabel Wilkerson

The Evening Book Group usually meets on the third Thursday of the month throughout the year at 7 PM usually via Zoom. THERE WILL BE NO MEETING IN FEBRUARY. The only requirement to participate 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 McMartin at [joyceamcmartin@gmail.com](mailto:joyceamcmartin@gmail.com) or text at 952-210-1372.



# Uni-Sun

## Programming & Groups

### MVUUF Tenants and Members News

#### Wiccan Church of Minnesota Ostera 2025

The Sun is back!

Join us as we celebrate the coming of springtime – it's not here yet, but the days are getting longer and the soil will soon thaw. It's not time to plant yet, but we start watching for tulips to begin emerging. We remind ourselves it's still a few more weeks before the trees start leafing out. It's a time for patience and planning, so that we will be ready when the Earth is ready.:

When: Saturday, March 15, 2025

Where: Fellowship Hall

Gather in starting at 6:00 p.m., ritual at 7:00 p.m.

Potluck to follow the ritual

What to bring Potluck food to share if you can do so without difficulty. Please label your offering (meat, vegetarian, vegan, ingredients).

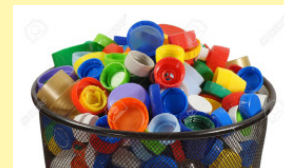


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## Helpful information

### More to Recycle at MVUUF!

We are making a difference with Ridwell. It's wonderful that so many people are taking advantage of this premium recycling service. March pickups are the 12th and 26th. Several members have signed up for Ridwell at their homes. MVUUF has coupons for a free first month if you are interested.



**By the way the featured item in March will be keys. So please go through those drawers and weed out your old keys (except for MVUUF keys, please bring those into the office!)**

MVUUF members and friends can bring 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. **You can also bring in plastic 6-pack rings, plastic bottle caps, prescription bottles, cords and cables.** Place 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. Thank you for helping MVUUF make a difference!



**Remember plastic bags and plastic film** go in the bins on the outside by the front doors. Linda Hayen takes them to a different recycling service where they can be transformed into park benches.

For questions about recycling at MVUUF or Ridwell, please contact Jeannie at [office@mnvalleyuu.org](mailto:office@mnvalleyuu.org).

### What Kind of Plastic Is This?

On January 19th, Linda Hayen gave a short explanation of the difference between multi-layer plastic and plastic film. If you missed it or want a refresher, please watch the video below. If you ever have questions about which plastic goes where, you can refer to this video or email [office@mnvalleyuu.org](mailto:office@mnvalleyuu.org).





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## MVUUF Calendar

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
23 10:30am - Sun. Svc	24 1pm - Mah Jong	25 10am - Needlework 7pm - NWG evening	26 9:30am - Brass band 5:30pm - Centering 6pm - MA Marijuana 6:30pm - Choir	27 11am - Listening and 12pm - Guys Lunch	28 11am - Uke Jam	1 10:15am - 1st Sat.
2 10:30am - Sun. Svc 11:45am - SARJ mtg	3 1pm - Mah Jong	4	5 9:30am - Brass band 5:30pm - Centering 6pm - MA Marijuana 6:30pm - Choir	6 11am - Listening & Support	7 11am - Uke Jam - 7pm - Poker Grp	8 5pm - Community Night
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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 see our website for more information. [mnvalleyuu.org](http://mnvalleyuu.org)

<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 Rev Laura. [minister@mnvalleyuu.org](mailto:minister@mnvalleyuu.org)

Print copies of Uni-Sun

Would you prefer a print copy of the Uni-Sun? We can mail you one or look on the wall by the nametags for the current month. If you want one by mail, please email Jeannie at [office@mnvalleyuu.org](mailto:office@mnvalleyuu.org)

### Church Directory



Are you a member of MVUUF?

Would you like a directory of Fellowship members or would you like to access our online membership software program, Breeze?

Email Jeannie at [office@mnvalleyuu.org](mailto:office@mnvalleyuu.org) for an electronic or hard copy directory or get signed up with Breeze.

## WE ARE:

ALL CONNECTED

STRONGER TOGETHER

LOVE'S HANDS IN THE WORLD

CALLED TO CREATE JUSTICE

RESPONSIBLE FOR ONE  
ANOTHER AND THE EARTH



# Uni-Sun

## Staff, Committee & BOT

BOARD OFFICERS OF THE FELLOWSHIP AS OF 7/1/2024	
Chair & Board Member	Linda Hayen
Chair-elect & Board Member	Patrick Westcott
Secretary & Board Member	Kathleen Coate
Treasurer	Richard Duffin

BOARD TRUSTEES AS OF 7/1/2024	
Trustee & Board Member	Becky McPeck
Trustee & Board Member	Holly Bruce
Trustee & Board Member	Mary Tuttle
Trustee & Board Member	Tom Ehlinger
Trustee & Board Email	board@mnvalleyuu.org

BOARD WORKGROUPS	

MVUUF STANDING COMMITTEES AS OF 7/1/2024	
Committee	Chair(s)
Adult Education and Enrichment	Rev. Laura Thompson
Aesthetics	Karen Olson
Archives	Kathy Eager
Congregational Care	Rev Laura Thompson
Committee on Shared Ministry	Betty Miller
Endowment	Holly Bruce
Finance	Steve Danko
Membership	Eric Grady
Music	Barb Becker
Nominating	
Operations	Steve Danko
Social Action Racial Justice	Yamini Ficke
Religious Education	Maria Bavier
Stewardship	Alexander Barrett
Technology	Richard Duffin
Internship	Seth Ficke

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