



Mid-Columbia Unitarian
Universalist Fellowship
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SUNDAY SERVICES (10 a.m. at the Rockford Grange)

January 14: “#MeToo” Rev. Judy Zimmerman with Todd D., celebrant. Over ten years ago, Tarana Burke started a grassroots movement to support women of color who had survived sexual assault. Burke used the hashtag #MeToo to name this effort. Her foresight and courage have changed this world forever, and women are breaking silence and coming forward with their stories of surviving sexual misconduct. We’ll explore the #MeToo movement and prepare a path for listening, comfort, and healing.

January 21: “Immigrant Stories” Steve H. with Dan B., celebrant. What does it mean to be a citizen of a town, state, or nation? What makes a person native to a place? How does the status of being labeled “immigrant” inform these categories? Is there a spiritual connection on the road to becoming known as a local? On this Sunday, we’ll hear immigrant stories of some valued citizens, natives, and locals.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Celebration. The life, work, and dreams of the Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. will be commemorated on **Monday, January 15th**, at Riverside Community Church in downtown Hood River. The theme of this year’s celebration, sponsored by Gorge Ecumenical Ministries and Somos Uno, is *“The Dreams of Martin Luther King Jr. Live On: Building a Community with Justice for All.”* This year’s event will include:

4:15 - 5:30 p.m. “Conoce tus Derechos” (Know Your Rights) workshop with attorneys MariRuth Petzing and Garrett Sharp. This workshop will be primarily in Spanish.

4:15 – 5:30 p.m. Stories of immigrant detainees held at NORCOR, presented by clergy chaplains who visit detainees. This workshop will be in English.

5:30 -6:30 p.m.: Celebration of Martin Luther King, with featured speakers. Also featured will be music by Los Amigos de la Sierra and a community-wide gospel choir convened by Evelyn Charity and Bill Weiler. Anyone interested in being a part of the choir should contact Evelyn Charity: ninicharity@gmail.com.

6:30 p.m.: Potluck community dinner.

The celebration is free and open to the public. *Somos Uno* hats and t-shirts will be available for purchase, and donations will be accepted to support Somos Uno’s justice work in the Gorge. For further information contact MCUUF’s representative to Somos Uno, Tom K.

Seminary for a Day returns to First Unitarian Church in Portland on Saturday, January 27. Dr. Robin DiAngelo will offer a keynote presentation, “Seeing the Racial Water,” and there will be a follow-up afternoon workshop. Click here to learn more and register now for the stand-alone morning session (\$20) or the full day including lunch (\$65).

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Dr. Robin DiAngelo is a former associate professor of education whose scholarly field is white racial Identity and race relations. In addition to her academic work, Dr. DiAngelo has extensive experience as a workplace consultant in issues of race relations and racial justice. She has numerous publications and books, including, "What Does it Mean to be White: Developing White Racial Literacy." Her work on "white fragility" has influenced the national dialogue on race and been featured in Alternet, *Salon*, NPR, PBS, *The New York Times*, *The Atlantic*, *Slate* and *Colorlines*.

Additional afternoon workshops will be held on "Lectio Divina," "Writing As a Spiritual Practice," "Anti-Racism and Spiritual Organizing," "Sacred Movement: Tai Chi & QiGong" and many more, offered by local clergy and other Unitarian Universalist teachers.

Women's Awareness Circle. The Women's Awareness Circle will meet this Friday, January 12, from 4 to 5:30 p.m. in the home of Jodie H. The question for conversation will be: How do we negotiate difficult situations? All UU women are welcome. Please RSVP to Debbie O.

UU Men's Group. The new UU Men's Group met at the Rockford Grange on the evening of December 4 and went over a number of topics the group will discuss in the future. The seven men who comprised the initial group e agreed to meet at the Grange on the second Wednesday of the month from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. **The group's second meeting is today, January 10, at 6:30 p.m.** The discussion topics will be "What is meaningful in my life?" and "How do I find meaning in life?" The group is still forming and is open to all UU men.

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