



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

**November 18: "Revering Risk," Rev. Judy Zimmerman,** with Elaine C, celebrant. What would it mean if this Thanksgiving you gave thanks for risks—both those you have taken and those you are still gathering the courage to attempt? How might you look differently at your life and what you are thankful for?

**November 25: "Words of Gratitude," Kristen D.** A reflective service using the words of the assembled and others as we close the Thanksgiving holiday.



**"Gratitude can transform common days into Thanksgivings,  
turn routine jobs into joy  
and change ordinary opportunities into blessings."  
--William Arthur Ward**

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Our MCUUF fiscal committee is looking for a volunteer** from the fellowship to help us with a financial review. The volunteer commitment is 5-10 hrs. For more information, please contact Peggy N, or Cindy A.

**Parent group:** We are currently seeking interest in an MCUUF parent group. Members of this group would take turns hosting a faith- and life-based curriculum in a comfortable setting where care is provided for the kids and the conversations are guided by a host. If this sounds like something that would feed your spirit or if you have interest in attending a parent group event, please contact Alicia B.

## MEMBERSHIP

**New Member Ceremony.** We plan to hold a new member ceremony November 18 during the Sunday service. If you are interested in becoming a member of our Mid-Columbia Unitarian Universalist Fellowship (MCUUF), please contact Rev. Judy at 503-970-0564 or [jzimmerman@uuma.org](mailto:jzimmerman@uuma.org)

## SOCIAL ACTION

### ***Honor our UU Values by Participating in the “Spread the Joy” Holiday Project!***

Throughout our Gorge community there are families and individuals who lack shelter and other basic needs due to unfortunate circumstances. This holiday season let's provide “gifts of joy” to these families and individuals. We are working with the Youth Empowerment Shelter in The Dalles, Helping Hands in Hood River, and Guided Path in Bingen. First, we need is to make our monetary goal of \$1,000. Then the fun begins with providing “gifts of joy.” With your contributions to this worthy project, we will reach our goal of \$1,000 over the next six weeks. Every Sunday, decorative donation envelopes will be available at the greeters' table. Put your donation in the envelope and place it in the offering basket. You can also donate by mailing a check to MCUUF, noting it is for the Holiday Project. The Holiday Project is also the “Share-the-Plate” recipient for November. At each Sunday service the Holiday Gift-O-Meter will surprise us with our contribution total!

Once we reach our monetary goal, “gifts of joy” will be given to the youth at the Youth Empowerment Shelter (Y.E.S.), the only youth shelter in the gorge area that provides youth in crisis a place of physical and emotional safety while assisting them to build positive relationships and develop their individual potentials. [www.yeshelter.org](http://www.yeshelter.org)

“Gifts of joy” will be distributed to each woman and child residing at Helping Hands Against Violence. Helping Hands provides safety, shelter, and hope for victims of domestic violence, rape and sexual assault, child sexual abuse, stalking, and teen dating violence. [www.helpinghandsoregon.org](http://www.helpinghandsoregon.org)  
The Guided Path Shelter will be the third recipient of “gifts of joy.” Besides providing emergency shelter for those in need, it offers services to gain self-sufficiency and stabilization. [www.wgap.ws/home/emergency-housing](http://www.wgap.ws/home/emergency-housing)

## CONNECTION

**The UU Men's Group** will meet at 6:30 this evening (11/14) at the Rockford Grange. The topic for discussion will be “Parenting.” All UU men are welcome.

**Interfaith Thanksgiving Service:** Sponsored by the Mount Adams Ministerial Association, this service will be at 7 p.m. November 19 at the White Salmon United Methodist Church, 341 N. Main, White Salmon, WA. Baha'i, Buddhist, Christian, Druid, Jewish, Sufi and Unitarian Universalist religious leaders will lead this celebration. Bring something to share for a dessert potluck after the service. Volunteers needed to set up and clean up. Contact Rev. Judy at [jzimmerman@uuma.org](mailto:jzimmerman@uuma.org) or 503-970-0564

**Free Community Thanksgiving Dinner:** Thanksgiving Day, November 22, at Riverside Church from noon to 4 p.m. Meals will also be delivered to people who may be homebound. If you need a delivery or know someone who does, please email Bonnie N. or call the number below. If you would like to volunteer to help cook, serve, deliver or clean up, please contact Debby C.

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