



Mid-Columbia Unitarian
Universalist Fellowship
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SUNDAY SERVICES
10 a.m. at the Rockford Grange
This month's theme: "Mystery"

May 19: *The wonderful storyteller Will Hornyak* joins us to discuss our theme of Mystery. Paul B. will be our celebrant.

Our Annual Congregational Meeting will be held immediately after the service. Childcare will be provided.

May 26, "Medieval Mystics," Rev. Judy Zimmerman and Elaine C, celebrant. The Middle Ages in Europe was a time of unusual empowerment for a small group of women who followed a mystical Christian path. Their ways of understanding the holy would be controversial even today. Through music, chanting and meditation, we will get to know these women and their unique spirituality.

Mark your calendars for Sunday, June 2. Join MCUUF teens for a morning at the river. Our usual Sunday service will be held at the Hood River waterfront at 10 a.m. Afterward there will be games, yoga, and a "no-talent" show. Bring a dish (it's a potluck!) and your expert golf skills!

ANNOUNCEMENTS

PASTORAL CARE

Alzheimer's and Dementia Mental Health Advance Directive Presentation and Discussion, Saturday, May 18. The nonprofit **End of Life Washington (EOLW)** will be with us to present its advance planning document, which allows people coping with Alzheimer's disease and dementia to document their wishes about the inevitable challenges related to living with these illnesses. You can use it to document your wishes and provide a guide for your family, health care providers, long-term care providers, and others. EOLW has worked with a team of lawyers, psychologists and social workers to create this document. Instructions for oral feeding as well as voluntary stop-eating and -drinking will also be discussed. A morning snack will be provided. Rockford Grange, Saturday, May 18, 11 a.m.

CONNECTION

UU Meetup Group—call for new members. The UU Meetup and Hiking Group is an email list of people who like to share events with others. Examples of events that have been shared are musical and theatrical events at the Columbia Center of the Arts in Hood River, movies, school performances, charitable events and, of course, hikes. Sometimes we meet up for dinner before evening events. Anyone can initiate a UU Meetup by sending an email announcing the Meetup opportunity to the UU Meetup email list. If you do not have the latest email list, send your announcement to Steve C. and he will send it to the email list. If you would like to have your name added to the UU Meetup email list, please email Steve C.

UU General Assembly, Spokane, WA, June 19-23, is a wonderful opportunity to experience varied forms of inspirational worship, attend workshops, vote on governance issues in the UU

Association, and get to know other UUs from across the world. Participants may register for on or off-site/online participation. For more information go to <https://www.uua.org/ga>

Our annual Mt. Hood Cluster summer picnic will be held on SUNDAY, JULY 21, starting at 3 p.m. at the Marina Park on the Hood River waterfront. Details will be provided later. Meanwhile, mark your calendars. We hope to see you and members of your congregation for a lovely day of fun, sun, and fellowship.

SOCIAL JUSTICE

Faith in Action Opportunity! For over a year, the Hood River Community ID Advisory Council, of which Tom K. is a member (and which Rev. Judy supports as chair of Gorge Ecumenical Ministries), has been working to create a **Hood River County Community ID card**, which will give social, public-safety, and other benefits not only to undocumented residents of Hood River County but also to homeless, elderly, foster youth, and formerly incarcerated residents, among others. The council has obtained the county's approval (the ID card will cost the county nothing) and secured grant funding, and now the card is positioned to be rolled out in a few months. **Volunteers** are needed to process applicants and issue the cards. The advisory council is going to have an orientation for community leaders and volunteers May 31 at Valley Christian Church (975 Indian Creek Road) from 10 a.m. to noon, followed by a lunch. Then there will be an "enrollment practice" for **volunteers** from 12:30 to 3 p.m. If you can attend all or even just part of this event, please RSVP to Mayra Rosales at The Next Door. Email: mayrar@nextdoorinc.org (and let Judy or Tom know too). Hood River is the first Oregon county (and one of the few counties in the country) to do this. If the project is a success, the hope is that it can be spread to Klickitat, Skamania, and Wasco counties.

Social Action news: GLBTQ Pride weekends are coming up soon. June 16 is the march in Portland, and June 28-30 is Pride Weekend in Hood River. Is anyone able to step forward to lead MCUUF's involvement in either or both of these? Please contact your Social Action Committee chair, Paul B.

VOLUNTEER HELP NEEDED

The board is seeking additional volunteers for our new "Generosity Team." If interested, contact Lori G.

The financial committee is looking for a new member, particularly someone with experience in financial management and investments. If you are interested, please contact mcuuf.treasurer@gmail.com.

Thanks to all those that have been helping with the dishes after church. Please keep up the good work!

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