

# THE STEEL CHALICE

March 2018

## March Worship Theme: "Balance"

"Something is always born of excess: great art was born of great terror, great loneliness, great inhibitions, instabilities, and it always balances them."

- Anaïs Nin



I've always been attracted to excess. I enjoy exploring the extremes of human experience, the fringes, tatters of our minds and daily routines. In many ways I'm a product of our American culture - immoderate, always seeking the next new experience, slowing down only when forced to. There is a kind of innate ambition to not let life pass me by - to make the most of whatever years I may be allotted. Has this led to a life out of balance? Perhaps.

I remember early in my seminary education where I was to undergo a psychological assessment to test my fitness for ministry. The results and following recommendation were quite unexpected. The psychologist who interviewed me recommended that I experiment with taking "sabbath time," time set aside for rest and relating with the only goal being to enjoy being alive. She cautioned that without time to rest and reflect, my work and life could grow dry, and in time feel burdensome rather than joyful.

I've taken her suggestion, and began practicing a sabbath day with my wife, Jennifer. As you may have noticed, I don't respond to your e-mails or phone calls (unless it's an emergency) on Mondays. That's because it is our sabbath. To be clear, our sabbath is idiosyncratic, and does not follow the prescriptions set out in either the Jewish or Christian tradition. I take to heart the idea that the sabbath is for us, not the other way around. We use the time to simply enjoy being alive - eating, resting, reading, being together, going on walks. I have become quite grateful for this discipline. Yes, I use the word discipline. I've learned through experience that without the discipline of remembering to take a sabbath day, I will find excuses to keep going in my usual way, with the sense that things must be attended to lest they get undone. I've learned to practice allowing things to be undone...for a time. I've learned to simply let things be, including myself.

For myself, I don't seek a perfect balance, an idealized state where everything feels harmonized and in sync. My goals are less ambitious in this regard. I simply want to seek some space to notice excesses and deficiencies. I know I will feel both, and sabbath gives me the space to notice and even appreciate that.

I think it's a mistake to make balance another item on our to do list...another goal...another thing left undone in our life. I think an idealized version of our balanced self is harmful and counterproductive. We are who we are, and we are continually on a path of becoming who we are. Balance - whether that be rest or more concentrated action - leads us to *feel* this, to feel more acutely the current states of our humanness.

I think this simple yet profound awareness of our humanness is most necessary right now. We are bombarded daily with tragedy, violence, and great ambiguity about the future. It's an anxious time for many of us. I think as a people we are feeling the constant sense of being out of balance, even knocked off balance.

Sometimes in order to achieve balance we must become adept at working with excess. We must learn how to express great fear, great stress, great doubt in order to balance it out. This is the realm of both art and religion. At UUYO, we offer a tangible service to ourselves and our community - to stay in touch with our humanity in the midst of whatever happens. This is the kind of balance I encourage. Excess is not the enemy of balance - it is only the starting place.

#### **Contacting Rev. Joseph**

If you want to be in touch with Rev. Joseph Boyd, please email him at jboyd@uuyo.org.

Sunday, March 4, 2018 11am Service: "Save or Savor?"

One of the most critical questions for all spiritual seekers is - Are we called to save the world or savor it?

This is a poignant question as we survey our current social and environmental crises. It also challenges us to wonder if sweetness can be found even in dire circumstances.

Come Sunday, as we taste the fruit of this moment.

Rev. Joseph Boyd – minister Christine Gulgas – worship associate BeckyAnn Harker – RE storyteller Nanette Kaplan Solomon – piano

#### **Bits from the Board**

The 2018 Board has met and we have a great team set up to address the needs and aspirations of UUYO in the coming year.

Each year, the congregation votes to add new Board members to fill vacancies. This year, John Gulgas,

Jeanne Tucker, and Mindi Raley were selected. We then have an all-day Board Retreat, at which we select our officers.

- 1. President Andy Crabb
- 2. Vice President Jeanne Tucker
- 3. Secretary Mindi Raley
- 4. Treasurer Louisa Berger

Thanks to everyone who is serving on the Board this year, I look forward to our work together.

Now that our structure is in place, we have begun our monthly Board meetings anew. We are excited to have a fully functioning Finance Committee, and are charging them with keeping our resources in line with our goals. Ellen Satre is the chair of this committee. Please reach out to her or to me if you have questions.

Our other committees and teams are active and being managed well. We have reconstituted our Vice President role, which Jeanne Tucker has stepped into. The main function of this role is to keep in touch with our committees and teams to make sure we are recording their activities and meeting their needs.

One of the latest actions that the Board chose to support was to actively support the UUA's Black Lives UU (BLUU) efforts. The Board is actively discussing how this support will be manifested, but for now we are displaying a flag in support of BLUU, and will be displaying a flag outside the building as well. As always, please ask if you have questions about what this support means for our congregation.

We look forward to a busy 2018 and to making opportunities for all to be involved in activities of their choosing. Please look for opportunities to get involved. If you don't see something that speaks to your interests, help create something new.

Thanks to you all for your encouragement and support. It is a pleasure to serve on the Board!

Andy Crabb Board President, UUYO



#### **REflections**

This month's theme is Balance. In this day and age, in our society, we all are struggling to find a balance between work and play, meeting our own needs with meeting the needs of family, and work, and the other things that keep us overly busy. When thinking of balance, we picture yin and yang, and maybe scales. But the Soul Matters material for this month suggests that we seek another kind of balance. This is sadly appropriate given the continued mass shootings. They suggest that balance is "not a static space of peace, as much as a stillpoint on which we pivot and turn to something new. It's not just about rest, but about resting up for a journey." They suggest that finding balance can prepare us for what is to come, that it is not the goal, but the springboard that gets us to where we need to go. Instead of asking, "are we balanced?" we should ask, "what is our balance for?" After February's school shooting in Florida, it is the students, the children, who are finding a balance to deal with the situation, but also to do something about it. They are organizing a march on Washington, the March for Our Lives, to try and force the grown-ups in power to do something about it. There will be local marches as well, and there will be one in Youngstown, beginning at UUYO. The March will be on Saturday, March 24. I hope many of us will be able to attend.

In other news, and in trying to find balance between doing the work and finding some peace, we are adding some art to our lives at UUYO. There are two opportunities for different kinds of art-making. First, to kick off the return of In Praise of the Arts, Jim Rogers is organizing an Art Show featuring the art of our very own UUYORE children and youth. There will be an opportunity to make art in church, but outside artwork is also welcomed. Also, we are forming a Children's Choir, with the intent to sing on Mother's Day weekend. Rehearsals will be held from 10:15- 10:45 on the first and third Sundays of each month, starting March 4.

A big thank-you to Sam Fitschen for organizing and directing this. We hope to see everyone get involved in these opportunities!

Balancing all of the "things" is a constant struggle for me. I hope that in March, during this season of Lent and Passover and Ostara (celebrating the Vernal Equinox), we can all find balance in our lives to do good works.

--BeckyAnn Harker
Director of Religious Education

#### **Share the Plate**

Our Share the Plate recipient for March, 2018, will be the Jewish Community Center of Youngstown's Camp JCC Scholarship Program. Camp JCC provides a safe, fun environment for campers to build lifelong friendships through unforgettable adventures and quality care. Camp JCC is designed to accommodate campers of all ages and interests, regardless of ethnic and religious background. Campers participate in sports, games, cooking, dance, music, and other activities as well as free swim, swim lessons, and field trips. It is housed on the Jewish Community Center of Youngstown's eighteen acre campus which includes an indoor pool, gymnasium, tennis courts and a full playground.

#### **March Events**

3/4/18 Children's Choir (RE Room) 10:15am 3/7/18 Mid-Week Ministry (SL) 7-8:30pm 3/8/18 Board Meeting (BR) 6-8pm 3/10/18 Work Party 10am 3/11/18 Spring Forward Time Change 2am 3/11/18 Social Justice Fair (CH) 12:15pm 3/11/18 Meditation (YR) 4-5pm (3:45pm if first time) 3/14/18 Mid-Week Ministry (SL) 7-8:30pm 3/17/18 Women's Alliance (CH) 12:30pm 3/18/18 Children's Choir (RE Room) 10:15am 3/18/18 Annual Chili Cook-Off (CH) 12:15pm 3/18/18 Worship Associates Meeting (BR) 12:30pm 3/21/18 Mid-Week Ministry (SL & YR) 7-8:30pm 3/21/18 UUYO Book Group 7:15pm at Melissa Smith's 3/23/18 Newsletter Submission Deadline 9am 3/25/18 Newcomers' Circle (SL) 12:15pm 3/25/18 Foreign Policy Discussion Group (CH) 12:30pm 3/25/18 Meditation (YR) 4-5pm (3:45pm if first time) 3/28/18 Mid-Week Ministry (SL) 7-8:30pm 4/1/18 Adult Forum: Beyond the Political Divide (SL) 9:30am

Legend for locations: (BR) Board Room (CC) Children's Chapel/Patio Room (CH) Channing Hall; (SA) Sanctuary; (SL) Schweitzer Lounge; (YR) Youth Room

## Mid Week Ministry - Every Wednesday from 7-8:30pm

1st Wednesday - Social Justice - small group ministry - led by Gary Davenport.

2nd Wednesday - Soul Matters - a small group reflection on the monthly worship theme - led by Sarah Lown.

3rd Wednesday - Consciousness Studies - DVD viewing and discussions to enhance self-awareness - led by Clare Puskarczyk, PhD.

3rd Wednesday - Young Adult Ministry - for 18-35 year olds - led by Molly Toth.

4th Wednesday - Scripture Study - led by Korey Gall.

#### <u>UUYO Children's Choir –Sunday March 4 from 10:15-</u> 10:45am and ongoing

Kids age 5 to 16 interested in singing will have the opportunity starting this Spring! Led by Samantha Fitschen, we will meet on the first and third Sundays from 10:15am to 10:45am through May 13. The first meeting will be on March 4. To begin we will work towards learning music to perform for the Mother's Day Sunday service. Practice will take place in the kids RE room. Please direct any questions to Samantha at 301.538.9252 or sfits7@gmail.com.

## Social Justice Ministry Wednesday, March 7th from 7-8:30pm

Our small-group ministry focuses on the intersection between justice, current events, and our daily lives. Come share Resistance, Resilience, and Reflection together. We will meet in Schweitzer Lounge.

- Gary Davenport

#### Work Party – March 10 at 10am

The March work party will be Saturday, March 10 at 10:00am. We have plenty of jobs, both indoor and outdoor, so come on down and join the fun. Cold drinks and coffee gratis. Questions - - call Bob Seibold at 724-981-4791. See you there.



#### Spring Forward – Sunday, March 11 at 2am

Daylight saving time begins at 2 a.m. Sunday, March 11, which means you'll want to turn your old-school clocks forward an hour when you go to bed Saturday night, March 10. The change is automatic for most smartphones, computers, tablets and other digital devices.

#### Social Justice Fair - Sunday, March 11 at 12:15pm

The Justice Ministry will host a Social Justice Fair during on Sunday, March 11, during coffee hour. If you would like a table for your organization or project, please visit the Justice Table during coffee hour or contact Gary Davenport at gdavenport@uuyo.org.

#### Meditation Group - Sunday, March 11 from 4 to 5pm

All are welcome to attend UUYO's meditation group on March 11 from 4 to 5pm. If it is your first time attending this group, please come 15 minutes early (3:45 pm) for some basic instruction.

The group will meet in the Youth Room at UUYO on the second and fourth Sunday of the month through the end of March. Teachings will be presented in the Tibetan Buddhist tradition. We will be using the book, Turning the Mind into an Ally, by Sakyong Mipham. Each meeting, the group will read a section of the book, have a short discussion, and then sit together in silent meditation. There is no fee for these meditation sessions - just bring a peaceful spirit and an open mind. If you have questions, please contact Linda Scharf by phone at (412) 295-1171 or by email at spiritdancer2008@yahoo.com

#### Soul Matters - Wednesday, March 14th from 7-8:30pm

We will explore the soul matters topic for March, which is balance. - Sarah Lown

#### Women's Alliance - Saturday, March 17 at 12:30pm

The next meeting of Women's Alliance will be at 12:30 p.m. on Saturday, March 17th, 2018 at church. Members should bring their own lunches and after lunch we will set up for the chili cook-off which will take place the following day. Before the next meeting Eugenia and Louisa will do a preliminary inventory of supplies for the cook-off so we will have what we need to be productive on our work day. Any questions, call Eugenia: (330) 953-3086 or (330) 503-4039.

## <u>UUYO Children's Choir –Sunday March 18 from 10:15-10:45am and ongoing</u>

Please see detailed description under March 4 heading.

#### Annual Chili Cook-Off – Sunday, March 18 at 12:15pm

Try any new chili recipes since last year's cook-off that you liked? Been experimenting with chili recipes? Enter the Church's Annual Chili Cook-Off which will be held on Sunday, March 18, 2018. Categories are: Traditional, Hottest, Most Unusual, Vegetarian/Vegan, and Best-In-Show.

Women's Alliance will provide butter, shredded cheese, sliced green onions and chopped regular onions, sour cream and crackers. To fill out the meal, we ask the congregation to provide salads, relishes, vegetables, breads/rolls, etc., and any desserts/sweets. A sign-up sheet will be in Channing Hall, at the Equal Exchange table. You can glance at the sheet and see what is needed to provide a balanced meal. Also, we will need help setting up, breaking down and cleaning-up after the event. Any help will be appreciated. Women's Alliance will meet on Saturday, March 11, (the day before) to get ready for the event. For questions, call Eugenia at 330-953-3086 or 330-503-4039 or Louisa Berger at 330-746-6897 or 330-559-1683. P.S. Great prizes will be awarded to the winners.:)

## Young Adult Group Wednesday, March 21st from 7-8:30pm

Young Adult Small Group Ministry will meet Wednesday, March 21 from 7 pm to 8:30 pm in

Schweitzer Lounge. This group provides a space for young adults (folks 18-35ish) to come together to foster community, grow personally, and to take a quick break from the busyness of their lives to find peace and renewal. This month's theme is focused on balance. Come as you are! We are glad to have you. For more info, please contact me at molly.e.toth@gmail.com

- Molly Toth

## Consciousness Studies Wednesday, March 21st from 7-8:30pm

All are welcome to join us in the Youth Room March 21<sup>st</sup> from 7 - 8:30 pm to view and discuss the DVD "Re-Visioning Ourselves, Transforming Our World" from Jean Houston, PhD.

- Clare Puskarczyk PhD

#### UUYO Book Group - March 21at 7:15pm

On Wednesday, March 21, 2018 the UUYO Book Group will meet at the home of Melissa Smith at 7:15 pm to discuss *HHhH* by Laurent Binet.

Excerpt from Guardian review: In principle there's nothing not to like about <u>Laurent Binet</u>'s acclaimed debut, and *HHhH* is certainly a thoroughly captivating performance. Whether you find it something more than that will depend on how you feel about the application of breezy charm and amusingly anguished authorial self-reflexiveness to a book about the Nazi security chief Reinhard Heydrich, who must be one of the most unfunny figures in recorded history.

It's about his assassination, specifically, and the undersung Czech resistance heroes who carried it out; an angle that licenses a certain jauntiness in the tone. But Heydrich's icily demonic character necessarily dominates the book, and his pivotal roles in the key atrocities of the era, from Kristallnacht to the "final solution" itself, take up a substantial part of the narrative.

The title selected for April is *The Once and Future Liberal: After Identity Politics* by Mark Lilla. From the publisher: "In *The Once and Future Liberal*, Mark Lilla offers an impassioned, tough-minded, and stinging look at the failure of American liberalism over the past two generations. Although there have been Democrats in the White House, and some notable policy achievements, for nearly 40 years the vision that Ronald Reagan offered –

small government, lower taxes, and self-reliant individualism—has remained the country's dominant political ideology. And the Democratic Party has offered no convincing competing vision in response... A fiercely-argued, no-nonsense book, enlivened by Lilla's acerbic wit and erudition, *The Once and Future Liberal* is essential reading for our momentous times."



## April Newsletter Submissions are Due Friday, March 23 at 9am.

Please know that those of you with contributions to the newsletter can send your information as soon as you are ready; no date is too early. Remember to include the start and stop time of your event, if applicable, and the ever-helpful "who, what, where, when, and why" in your description.

#### Newcomers' Circle - Sunday, March 25 at 12:15pm

Each month we hold an informal gathering of Newcomers and recent visitors. We create space to learn a bit more about our church and to consider ways to become involved. The Newcomers' Circles usually last no more than 30 minutes. They are a fun way to get to know other recent visitors and to get our questions answered.

We will meet in the Schweitzer Lounge, on the lower level, down the Religious Education hall at 12:15. Grab a snack, bring your children and join us!

#### <u>Foreign Policy Discussion Group – March 25 at</u> 12:30pm

This month the fourth Sunday will be March 25. Let's meet at 12:30pm in Channing Hall. Please feel free to bring an article, issue, global problem, etc. for discussion, maybe even a resolution. Questions - - call Bob Seibold at 724-981-4791.

#### Meditation Group - Sunday, March 25 from 4 to 5pm

Please see detailed description under March 11 heading.

## Mid-Week Ministry: Scripture Studies Wednesday, March 28 from 7-8:30pm

The focus of our March meeting will be determined at our February 28<sup>th</sup> meeting, which happens after this newsletter is finalized. Watch for details in the Weekly Update.

- Korey Gall

## Adult Forum: Beyond the Political Divide (SL) - Sunday, April 1

"We welcome all to our service regardless of race, color, sexual orientation, gender identity, physical ability, ethnic origin, or political affiliation." These words grace the back cover of every one of our church's orders of service. We work hard to fight our biases and blind spots for most of these categories. Do we work as hard to welcome all regardless of their political affiliation? In this time of intense political struggle and conflict, let us take time to reflect on and explore our own commitment to being beyond the political divide."

Facilitated by Korey Gall. Begins Sunday, April 1, 9:30 am in Schweitzer Lounge.

#### **Kids Art Show**

When I first came to UUYO in the early 80's it was because I was invited here by my roommate. He mentioned an art show I might want to enter called In Praise of the Arts, an annual arts celebration that continued for over 20 years. I did enter and got included in the show. That was my indoctrination to Unitarian Universalism and I can barely remember the look of Channing Hall where the affair was held. After talking to Rev. Boyd. We decided to bring IPOA back if we can, perhaps in another form with the help of anyone interested.

To begin, I'd like to have a showing of artwork by children in the RE program. I have been the recipient of many works of art myself and they are displayed in my home. Rev. Boyd would like to see some of their work displayed in the sanctuary to kick off our first project. After that, I plan on having featured artist in the community display work in the space too, and perhaps have them talk about the work. No timeline has been

set yet, but any parents interested can call me at 330-792-7673 or 330-207-4000. My email is jarogers1948@yahoo.com – Jim Rogers

#### Keeping the UUYO message going over WYSU-FM

Last Fall we collected enough donations from our Congregation to purchase spots to be broadcast over Public Radio Station WYSU-FM to promote UUYO to the public. Those 252 UUYO messages were on air from November, 2017, and continue to mid-March, 2018.

UUYO is accepting donations from our members and friends so we can once again place UUYO messages over WYSU during the Spring and Summer of 2018. You can give your traditional Spring WYSU membership donation to UUYO and we'll use the money to purchase underwriting spots to promote UUYO on air. Never donated to this project before? -- now's your chance to participate. You can mail a check to UUYO, or drop it in the Sunday collection plate, or deliver a check or cash to the office. Be sure to mark on the memo line of your check that it's a donation to the WYSU project.

Be sure to tune in to WYSU to hear our UUYO messages to promote our Church to the larger community.



#### The UUYO Talent and Service Auction is Back for 2018!

It's "BOO! at UU" on Saturday evening, October 20th, for our UUYO Halloween Theme Talent and Service Auction. Put it on your calendar and start thinking of the Talent and Service items you want to offer for the UUYO Auction. Stay tuned -- later this Spring we'll be asking for volunteers to help plan and coordinate Auction events.

In the meantime, there are a few time-sensitive Auction items available for sign-up now. Check at the Equal Exchange Table or in the Office for details.



#### For Your Dining Pleasure...

The days are getting longer so what better time to "spring" into action and revive the UUYO tradition of Circle Suppers.

Circle suppers are occasions that let us get to know one another better on a more personal level. These dinners are scheduled to include revolving groupings of participants, who take turns hosting or providing a part of the meal, for each of the three events we have scheduled for 2018. Participating couples or singles will be grouped with different participants for each of the three suppers, which will be held in May, August and November.

We will divide participants into small groups, usually about 6 to 8 people, and each group will have a dinner party. That's all there is to it...good food, good conversation, good friends, good memories.

If you are able to host a party at your home, please let us know when you sign up. It is not necessary to host to participate.

Each host will decide on the main dish and prepare it. Other participants will coordinate with the host to determine what he or she will bring to contribute to the dinner.

Circle Supper sign-up sheets will be available at the Equal Exchange Table and online at UUYO.org beginning February 11. The dinners will be held on May 19, 2018, August 18, 2018, and November 3, 2018 at 6:30 pm.

After the groupings and pairings are made, a schedule and instructions will be sent to each participant. (If you don't have email, please contact Louisa Berger for the schedule and instructions.) From that point, it's up to each group to have a lovely evening getting to know about their UUYO companions.

#### **Consignment Shop – Penny Pinchers**

Thank you to all who have generously donated men's and women's clothing for the UUYO account at the local consignment boutique, Penny Pinchers. If you are wishing to remove some of those gently worn spring items that you no longer wear from your closet, now is the time. Penny Pinchers is accepting spring clothing. Bring your items to church and leave them folded in the blue basket or on labelled hangers in the hallway off Channing Hall. Please leave your name so we can thank you. Email any questions to Linda Mohn (Ijmohn2005@yahoo.com). Penny Pinchers is a nonprofit organization operated for the benefit of The Silver Lining Cancer Fund, Inc. A check for 40% of items sold each season will be given to UUYO. Together, individuals and UUYO will benefit.

#### **Equal Exchange Sale**

Each Sunday morning we have a sales area at the side of Channing Hall for Equal Exchange coffee, tea, and cocoa products. We also have available lots of UUYO items, which are fun for your own use or as gifts. There is something for everybody!

We will be running a sale on the packaged food items which are a little beyond their Best By date. This does not mean that the product is no longer good, but it does prompt us to get them used before any more time elapses. We'll reduce the price of items by \$1.00, which will mean that UUYO will still pretty much cover our cost.

Some Equal Exchange products are attractive only to a small number of us, so it does mean that if you've asked for something like a kind of tea or chocolate chips, we need you to keep buying that item. We'll make notes of what sells at a slower rate, and in the future you may need to wait until we're more confident we can sell the products in a timely fashion.

Remember, your purchases are beneficial in myriad ways: helping farmers and coops in developing parts of our globe, the social service efforts of the Unitarian Universalist Service Committee, and UUYO, where the

The Steel Chalice March 2018 sales revenue goes to supply your Sunday morning cup(s) of coffee and tea. Please help, and enjoy!

The Equal Exchange Project



#### **Hospitality Teams Schedule**

Our hospitality teams do so much to make Sunday morning come together: Greet, welcome, provide coffee and treats at coffee hour. If you are interested in joining a hospitality team, please contact Linda Mohn (Imohn2005@yahoo.com).

Please be sure and thank the folks on this month's teams!

Team 2: March 4

- Anita Wesler Communicator
- Marcia & Ralph Malmer Facilitators
- Alicia & Scott Baker
- Millie Brewer
- Cheryl & Galen Elser
- Kate Fitzgerald
- Margaret Haushalter
- Luanna Jacobs
- Cathy Kajut
- Gerard Kelly
- Alison & Jon Locketti
- Sarah Lown
- Carmen Mottaguedes
- Linda Scharf
- Judith Stanger
- Trudee Weatherby

Team 3: March 11, 18, and 25

- Linda Mohn Communicator
- Susie Beiersdorfer Facilitator
- Diana Shaheen Facilitator
- Audra & Jason Carlson

- Judy DeGenova
- Chris Heck & Jessica Myers
- Karen Lapidus
- Sarah Lowry
- Dianna Mason
- Marcellene Hawk Mayhall
- Diana Palardy
- Wendy & Andy Pfrenger
- Gene Pusateri & Susan Miracle
- Davin Stilson
- Mary June Tartan

#### **Care Team Box**

We have introduced a black cigar box with the candles in the back of the sanctuary. Near the box are small pieces of paper. If you are struggling with sickness, loneliness, stress, or loss - you are welcome to write your name and phone number, as well as a brief concern on the piece of paper. Place the paper face down in the cigar box, and Rev. Joseph or one of our care team members will get in touch with you.



#### **Pastoral Care**

If you have a pastoral care need, or know of someone in our congregation who might have a need, please contact Rev. Joseph Boyd (minister@uuyo.org) or the church office (office@uuyo.org, 330-746-3067).

#### Stuff to Know

#### **Church Calendar**

The most up-to-date version of the church calendar is on the website. Please contact the office (office@uuyo.org, 330-746-3067) if you wish to list a church event on the calendar.

#### Staff

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#### Leaders

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Linda Mohn, Hospitality
Gina Vance, Nominating
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Eugenia Pierce, Women's Alliance
Christine Gulgas, Worship Associates Coordinator

#### **Mission Statement**

Our Mission is to build a diverse and transformative spiritual community, help people live lives of wholeness, and promote justice, peace, and religious freedom.

The rainbow flag outside of the church signifies that UUYO is an official "Welcoming Congregation" for the LGBTQ+ community.

#### **Office Hours**

Tuesday & Friday, 9am-3:30pm Sunday, 9-11am and 12:30-2:30pm

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