

Announcements ~ October 16, 2022

Please take this home with you. More info about our programs & events can be found at the Ministry Tables in Atherton Hall, in our weekly e-updates, and the *Focus* newsletter, which can be found in the pamphlet rack near the office and on the church website, <https://ccuu.org/newsletters/>.

Weekly E-update deadline: Wednesdays at 9 am
Focus newsletter upcoming deadlines: Oct 26 and Nov 21

~ THIS WEEK'S MEETINGS & EVENTS ~

TODAY	9:00 am	Online Open Forum Discussion	
	10:00 am	Worship: <i>Bold Courage, Part 2: James Reeb</i>	
	10:00 am	Live Stream – <i>log in info at ccuu.org</i>	
	11:00 am	Fellowship and Candy Donations Collected	Atherton Hall
	11:00 am	Children and Youth Choir	Choir Room
	11:30 am	Haiku Class	Room 1
	7:00 pm	Senior High Youth Group	
Mon, 10/17	7:00 pm	White Lies Discussion Series	On Line
Wed, 10/19	7:00 pm	Board of Trustees Meeting	
Sat, 10/22	9:30 am	Feminine Divine Women's Group	Room 6
Sun, 10/23	9:00 am	Online Open Forum Discussion	
	10:00 am	Worship: <i>Trekking Home</i>	
	10:00 am	Live Stream – <i>log in info at ccuu.org</i>	
	11:00 am	Fellowship	Atherton Hall
	11:00 am	Children and Youth Choir	Choir Room
	11:30 am	Solar and Energy Workshop	Atherton Hall
	7:00 pm	Senior High Youth Group	

~ TODAY ~

On This Day in History by Frank Schulman. On Oct 16, 1840, Frederick Lucian Hosmer was born in MA. He graduated from Harvard Divinity School and served Unitarian churches in MA, IL, OH, MO and CA. Hosmer compiled two hymnals and wrote many hymns and hymn lyrics including, "Forward Through the Ages" and "O Day of Light and Gladness."

Religious Exploration Classes for Children & Youth. Young people begin in the sanctuary with their families and will be sung out to their religious exploration classes.

Children and Youth Choir. Children's Choir grades 1-4 and Youth grades 5-8 gather in the Choir Room

Haiku Class, Sun Oct 16 at 11:30 am. Susan Auld will lead this class for those interested in learning how to write modern English Haiku. Participants will also be invited to submit poems for use in our soon-to-be-created Haiku Garden. Drop ins are welcome ~ come even if you didn't register!

Senior High Youth Group. If your senior high youth would like to participate, please complete an RE registration form, <https://ccuu.org/re-registration/>, or contact senior high coordinators Mike Penick & Barb Braje, SHYG@ccuu.org, for additional information.

~ THIS WEEK ~

White Lies Discussion Series begins Mon, Oct. 17 at 7:00 pm. The White Lies podcast is a feat of investigative journalism in which two reporters, who were once UU Youth and are the hosts of the podcast, spent years interviewing people and searching out obscure and buried records in an attempt to

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tell the real story of what happened. In an eight-session discussion series, facilitators Rev. Denise and Dr. Mary will engage each episode of the podcast from the perspective of Unitarian Universalism today, as well as current events. In this “post-Jim Crow” era, what might we learn about the long term effects of systemic racism? Please sign up to attend the series: <https://ccuu.breezechms.com/form/WhiteLies>.

Board of Trustees Meetings are open to the congregation for people who want to observe. Agendas and minutes from previous meetings are made available on the website under “About CCUU.”

Choir Rehearsal: Thursdays, 7-9 pm. Come Sing! No audition needed. Contact Alison Vernon, Music.Director@ccuu.org, with questions.

Feminine Divine Women’s Group Join us on Sat, Oct 22 at 9:30 am as we begin our discussion of *Waking the Witch* by Pam Grossman. New women are always welcome. For more info, contact Barbara Griggs.

~ NEXT SUNDAY ~

Worship Service: Trekking Home. What if our own sense of home makes someone else feel left out? Rev. Pam Rumancik is going to open a conversation around what we can do personally and as a congregation to widen the CCUU circle and make that space of home for all seekers on the journey. Using stories from Sci-Fi genre, she’ll invite us to widen our imagination and see ourselves and others with new eyes. Rev. Rumancik recently retired after eight years serving the Unitarian Church in Hinsdale.

Open Forum Discussion. In Forum, we discuss “the issues of the day” while respectfully welcoming different perspectives on Sundays at 9 am. For more info and/or to join the Forum email list contact: vidaxel@axeldesigns.com. Oct 23 topic: *Spies, Communism, and the Battle to Win the Cold War*

Solar and Energy Workshop. At this workshop led by Dan Huntsha from service partner Faith in Place you can learn how to save money and lower your carbon footprint at the same time! Topics will include Solar For All (Free Solar), community solar, local and federal environmental legislation update, and products you can get for free right now to save money and lower your carbon footprint.

~ KINSHIP & CONNECTION ~

Transitions provides a forum for mature adults to explore life transitions with a supportive community during daytime hours. Join us on Oct. 27, when Jim Simmons will make a presentation about Jack Welch and the decline of General Electric.

Memorial Service for Austin Chang will be held on Sat, Oct 29 at 1 pm here at Countryside Church UU.

~ SERVICE & JUSTICE ~

Music with a Mission. A night of music and merriment to benefit our Service Partners. Sat. Nov 12, 7pm to 10 pm. Beer, wine and snacks, \$10 cover charge. ***We’re evaluating the need for onsite childcare for Music with a Mission.*** Please let us know before October 23 if you would be interested and willing to share the cost at outreach@ccuu.org

~ STUDY & LEARNING ~

Upcoming Book Group Discussions. New participants always welcome!

- **Reading Roundtable.** Oct. 26, 10 am: “The History Teacher” a poem by Billy Collins on pp.276-277 of *The Civically Engaged Reader*. For more info, email ReadingRoundtable@ccuu.org.
- **Last Mondays Book Discussion:** Oct 31, 7:30 pm. Join us in the Stokes Room to discuss *Light from Uncommon Stars* by Ryka Aoki. Note: we’re meeting later than usual due to Halloween.
- **Book Circle:** Nov 20, 6:15 pm. *The Code Breaker: Jennifer Doudna, Gene Editing, and the Future of the Human Race* by Walter Isaacson.