



**Unitarian Universalist  
Congregation  
of Grand Traverse**

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**UUCGT Board Meeting**

**Tuesday, December 18**

**6:30 pm**

(please note date/time)

*Sunday Services at 10:30 AM*

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## **DECEMBER SERVICES**

### **December Theme**

### **“Season of Light, Season of Dark”**

#### **Sunday, December 2 - Mike McDonald, Coordinator**

##### **10:30 Service: “Who Is Our Neighbor?”**

We will examine the well-known “Good Samaritan” story to understand what it means to be a neighbor. Who would be the “Good Samaritan” if this story were to be told today?

#### **Sunday, December 9 - John Bailey, Coordinator**

##### **10:30 Service: “All Music Service for All Generations”**

This service will include individual pieces performed by congregation members as well as choral music performed by the Vocal Ensemble.

#### **Sunday, December 16 - Amanda Mangiardi, Coordinator**

##### **10:30 Service: “Night Life”**

Rev. Jane Lippert leads our service. We are amid the season of holidays which celebrate light, but what about darkness? Darkness is part of our faith cycle. Seeds and bulbs are buried in the dark, fertile earth. Jonah wallowed around in the belly of the whale. The days have shortened, giving us the gift of more darkness in the winter months. What is your spiritual “Night Life?”

#### **Sunday, December 23 - Kat Norman, Coordinator**

##### **10:30 Service: “Making Room”**

Interactive, all-ages service with carol singing based upon Las Posadas. During our Posada, we will walk with Mary and Joseph as they seek a place out of the dark and cold, and journey with them as they are foreclosed upon, as they immigrate across the border, and as they are targeted because of their gender identity. If this doesn't sound like the familiar Christmas story, you are right. The story of Mary and Joseph is just one story about the struggle to find room at the Inn - and we are going to be shining our light in some dark places in order to consider the practice of radical hospitality and the ways in which we are gifts to each other. The script calls for many re-enactors to dramatize the four short stories. Keep an ear out for ways you can get involved.

#### **Monday, December 24 - Hal Gurian and Donna Stein-Harris, Coordinators**

##### **“5th Annual Interfaith Christmas Eve at the State Theatre” at 6:30 PM**

**Doors open at 6:00 PM**

**Free reserved tickets will be available at the State Theatre box office closer to 12/24**

***BEACON Article Deadline***  
***No later than the 25th of the month***  
***preceding the issue date***

**Send submissions to**  
**[beacon@uucgt.org](mailto:beacon@uucgt.org)**

**Editor: Stan Cain**

**Monday, December 24 - John Bailey, Coordinator**

**9:30 PM Service: "Candlelight Christmas Eve Service at UUCGT"**

**Sunday, December 30 - Amanda Mangiardi, Coordinator**

**10:30 Service: "Women's Voices in the New Year"**

UU congregations across the nation have strong women members who are speaking out for their rights as women—not to be intimidated, dismissed, or abused. Hear three strong opinions on how we can help the next generation of strong women to speak up for themselves and for each other.

## **JANUARY SERVICES**

**January Theme**

**"New Beginnings"**

**(Coordinators TBD)**

**Sunday, January 6**

**10:30 Service: "What Are Our Intentions"**

**Sunday, January 13**

**10:30 Service: "Getting Serious About UU"**

**Sunday, January 20**

**10:30 Service: "Our Seven Principles and Six Sources"**

**Sunday, January 27**

**10:30 Service: "Our Seven Principles and Six Sources" (continued)**



"We are all longing to go home to some place we have never been - a place half-remembered and half-envisioned we can only catch glimpses of from time to time. Community. Somewhere, there are people to whom we can speak with passion without having the words catch in our throats. Somewhere a circle of hands will open to receive us, eyes will light up as we enter, voices will celebrate with us whenever we come into our power. Community means strength that joins our strength to do the work that needs to be done. Arms to hold us when we falter. A circle of healing. A circle of friends. Some place where we can be free." - Starhawk

# From the President

## UU Board Meeting Summary for November

The UUCGT Board of Trustees met on Tuesday, November 13. Following are key items from the meeting:

- ♦ Karl Keinath was recommended by the Leadership Development Committee and elected by the Board to serve out the remainder of Jane Fochtman's first year on the Board. Jane has accepted a job opportunity in Germany and will be gone through June.
- ♦ Donna Stein-Harris gave a report on planning for the Christmas Eve Service at the State Theatre. The Sunday Services Committee has the service planned with a liberal minister standing in for Rabbi Chava. The Board supported splitting the offering for Christmas Eve between the State Theatre and Community Needs.
- ♦ The Board approved a By-law change to be presented to the Congregation at the June 2019 meeting. The change will increase the time for congregational nominations to the Board to 60 days prior to the meeting to allow time for vetting of Board candidates by the Safe Congregation Committee prior to going on the ballot.
- ♦ Mike McDonald reported that the church software conversion is close to complete with all transactions now flowing through the new system. The Board approved up to \$1,500 in additional hours for our Accountant, Dave Christenson, to cover the time spent on this conversion, which is over and above his normal duties.
- ♦ The Board approved a job description, recommended by the Religious Education task force, for a temporary Sunday morning RE teacher for grade levels Kindergarten through fifth grade. Compensation was set at up to \$150 per week. The plan would be to fill that role through June to give the RE Task Force more time to define what UUCGT needs long term in a RE Director.
- ♦ The Board approved Gerald Schatz and Barb Conley to attend the 2019 General Assembly and 2019 Midwest Region meetings as official delegates from UUCGT.
- ♦ Mike McDonald gave an update on the October 20 Visioning Session and the Board agreed to determine who would work on the Long Term Sustainability Goal in our December meeting.
- ♦ We discussed Rabbi Chava's leave and the fact that her return is still indefinite until she and her physicians can define when she might recover from her mid August concussion. After determining that we were not jeopardizing disability or worker's compensation payments, we approved paying Rabbi Chava through December 10. This six month payment is contractually obligated in her Letter of Call. We are working with Rabbi Chava and the UUA to start Long Term Disability payments. Mike McDonald reported that we are talking to our UU leaders in the Midwest Region about a substitute minister for at least January and February.

Highlights from our monthly Board meetings will be shared throughout the year. You can also find the minutes of Board meetings on our website. Our Board meetings are open meetings and you are welcome to attend. Our next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, December 18 at 6:30 pm in the large classroom.

I would like to again thank the Sunday Services Committee, the Congregational Care Committees and others for stepping up during Rabbi Chava's medical leave. I would also like to recognize the congregation for "showing up" on Sundays. If you have not been coming, you have missed some good services.

Mike McDonald, President  
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## Membership News

**DECEMBER** - We await the inevitable Snow and will enjoy the stillness, the quiet!

**Greetings from the entire FUN and FRIENDLY Membership Team!**

Volunteer members Sherry Davis, John Hoffmann, Chris Lautz, Chris Walter, Rick Walter, and Jane Watts PLUS Ambassadors Jolynn Paige and Dottie Cain — who continue to Welcome, Greet, Facilitate into membership, and Nurture (in Partnership with other groups at UUCGT) prospective, new and current members.

**WHAT A JOY to Welcome five New Members on November 4!**

Pam Hendrick and Jon Luoma, Alison Kadlec, David Hassing and their two young daughters, Violet and Lyra, and Betsy Wacker. All of them have jumped right in and put their oars in the water in various ways! Helping with Hospitality on Sunday mornings, attending Wednesday Night Potlucks, roasting a turkey for Thanksgiving Feast, joining committees and participating in Sunday Services. Be sure to take time and get to know these wonderful additions to our UUCGT community.

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### **~ MARK YOUR CALENDARS ~**

Next All Congregation Potluck Brunch will be **Sunday, January 20, 2019** following the Service ~ Join us as we continue building our community through conversation and sharing a meal

***All are Welcome!***

**Greeters are needed for December 23 & 30**

What does serving as a Greeter involve?

**BE A GREETER MINISTRY** - Share your smile and Welcoming Spirit. It's easy - just sign up on the bulletin board near the office. Greet just one Sunday, or sign up for a regular or semi-regular shift.

Job description is posted on the bulletin board, but simply requires you to:

- 1) Smile - remember to get down to our little ones' level!
- 2) Say "Welcome", "Glad you're here", "How are you?", etc.
- 3) Hand out Order of Service
- 4) Count attendees and
- 5) Help with offering

**Many Thanks to Our November Greeters!**

Jim Linsell, Joy Platteborze, Chris Lautz, Carol Ritter and the Membership Team at our Thanksgiving Feast

### **MEMBERSHIP TEAM UPDATES**

The Team meets again on Wednesday, December 5 @ 4:30 pm at UUCGT Library. Anyone is welcome to attend.

**What is your Passion, Interest or Ability to serve your congregation?**

**How can we help you connect with a meaningful opportunity at UUCGT?**

**There are many ways to help and We Need You! Please get in touch!**

**Chris and Rick Walter**  
**Co-Chairs, Membership Team**  
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# SOCIAL JUSTICE

The warming climate....

is everyone's responsibility. Each of us contributes to it daily. So I was wondering what each of us could do about it.

Of course, we can change our light bulbs, drive our car less, and bike or walk more, heat our houses less and more efficiently, eat less meat. Here is more to think about ---

Each child born in the developed world contributes an average of 58.6 tons of CO2-equivalent emissions per year. People can eliminate those emissions by having at least one less child. Then add this to the next generation and the next, and on - the emissions add up. So, one less child?

Driving an electric car helps, but from where does that electricity come? If it comes from solar or wind, carbon emissions have really decreased. There are carbon emissions when the car is manufactured and transported to the owner. The multiple uses of cars demand more roads, parking places, maintenance, and oil and gas wastes. Living more compactly, eliminating cars, allows for more open space and natural renewal of our atmosphere. Living car-free saves 5.3 metric tons of emissions a year.

How about airline flights? One airplane flight, they say, equals 2.8 metric tons of emissions! We are dependent on flights with our spread-out economy and family life styles. Abe Lincoln never rode in an airplane. Are you ready for horses to return?

Here's another emission saving idea: eat a wholly plant-based diet. That would save up to 1.6 metric tons of emissions a year.

These are four ideas that each of us could do. Our way of life, our norms and social activities will make it hard to implement these ideas. Yet, if done, by many, we could have a faster impact on

climate change than governments. Governments get bogged down in policies, politics, subsidies, previous contracts, selfish greed for

more money now, opinions, and yes, even religions. To have governments change their policies and laws often takes decades.

According to studies, if the world is to meet a carbon budget that keeps the average global surface temperature from increasing more than 2°C, each individual has to emit no more than 2.1 metric tons of carbon per year. We estimate that an individual who eats meat and takes one round trip, transatlantic flight per year emits 2.4 metric tons of CO2-equivalent emissions. Those actions would use more than their allotted emissions for one year, without taking into account any other activity.

How much carbon emission is emitted through the terrible wildfires in California, earthquakes, volcanoes, and the like? These are things we can't even begin to control. Then add to that the emissions used in clearing the waste and rebuilding. To control climate change from further devastating our planet is a gargantuan task.

So in the meanwhile, we must sign petitions, donate where we can and where needed, try to vote into Congress people who are aware and willing to take actions to address the threat of climate, and each of us using as little of the energy as possible.

Our children and grandchildren's lives depend on it.

Emmy Lou Cholak  
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References:  
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# FINANCIAL SUMMARY

**As of October 31, 2018  
(33.3% of fiscal year)**

	Current Year		Prior Year	
<b>Budgeted Income Received YTD</b>	<b>\$118,841</b>	<b>46.7%</b>	<b>\$104,787</b>	<b>38.2%</b>
<b>Budgeted Expenses Paid YTD</b>	<b>\$ 85,740</b>	<b>33.7%</b>	<b>\$ 84,833</b>	<b>30.9%</b>
<b>"For Those in Need" YTD</b>	<b>\$ 3,359</b>		<b>\$ 4,690</b>	

Budgeted income includes the total of all pledged and unpledged donations and miscellaneous income including building rent, etc.

"For Those in Need" collections are in addition to Budgeted Income Received and are disbursed quarterly to worthy causes, including Congregational Care, Tuesday Community Lunch and other Community needs outside our congregation. The percentage reflects the portion of the total amount of income or expense budgeted for the fiscal year.

We are off to a good start for the 2018-2019 fiscal year largely due to significant pre-payment of 2018-2019 pledges. If you have not prepaid your pledge, please try to keep your pledge up to date. If you want more detailed information, you can look at our website, click on Board, then on Board Packet, then on Statement of Financial Activity.

Questions can be directed to your Finance Committee which includes Dusty Culton, Karl Keinath, Mike McDonald, Kay Sturgeon and Price Watts.



# Announcements

## Community Meals

For 27 years, every week, our UUCGT Congregation has provided a free lunch to those in our community who need it.

Additional volunteers are needed to continue this valuable and needed community outreach program.

4 volunteers are needed each week:

One person makes an entrée; one person makes a salad; one person buys or makes a dessert; and one person goes to the store to get milk, bread, and whatever else is needed.

We start at 10:30 a.m. and are always finished by 1:00 p.m. All are reimbursed. Volunteer as often as you like.

***To Volunteer*** - contact Mary Kiner  
935-3050 or [marykiner@charter.net](mailto:marykiner@charter.net)

## Congregational Care Team

We hold in our hearts:

Chris Innes, who is doing well at home with his wife, Abbie, after hospitalization and surgery in October.

Jim Cook, who is at Hospice House and has asked not to have visitors. Cards would be appreciated. Kay Sturgeon visits regularly if you need an update or wish to help her.

Stan Cain, who is recovering at home after being hospitalized over Thanksgiving.

Rabbi Chava is doing PT now as she continues her medical leave.....We look forward to her return which we hope will be in January!

We are also mindful of those at home in the care of their families or of others

Peg Kauffman, Ann Olney and Karen Culp are at home. Nancy Landfair is at the Villa Assisted Living; and her mother is at Cherry Hill Haven.

All would enjoy a call, a card, or a visit.

Submitted by Judith Briggs, CCT

## Community Needs

### Quarterly Distribution

Safe Harbor: \$600 - UUCGT's yearly commitment to this project which covers meals

Safe Harbor: \$100 - to provide immediate hygienic needs, including hairbrushes, toothbrushes, shaving needs, etc.

Commission on Aging: \$250 - to fill in the 'gaps' this holiday season for those without families - whether it be a cozy sweater or a space heater

Remain in Touch: \$200 - to provide a way for inmates to stay in touch with their children via reading stories from CD's and sharing same via recorded responses

Operation Women's Dignity: \$500 - inspired by Safe Harbor, an initiative to offer homeless women a bit of pampering, whether it be make-up or new underwear, to elevate their sense of self worth and dignity.

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## Program Council

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**Barb Conley - Social Justice** reported that the committee is mobilizing more activities including plans to help with Sunday Services at least once a quarter. Food for thought Social Justice facts are included in the weekly Flash.

**Dave Halsted and Price Watts - Facilities** reported a successful, well attended clean-up day on November 3. They have been actively working on improving the sound system in the fellowship hall as well as building internet access. They are planning on adding shelving for the basement and requested that anyone that has stuff stored in the basement that they want to keep, needs to label it and consolidate into one shelf or location.

# Program Council Update

## Meeting held November 14, 2018

The Visioning Session held Saturday, October 20 and an All Congregation Brunch Potluck the next day were reviewed. Mike McDonald reported that the Visioning Session was attended by 39 individuals and all felt it was a great success. 3 of the 4 goals are actively being worked on. The new Covenant Statement work group is active. A new Mission Statement group is holding follow-up meetings. The Education group is moving forward planning on hiring a temporary RE teacher and getting a full time job position written.

The October 21 All Congregation Potluck was attended by 42 people. Some expressed thanks for having it on a Sunday after service since they are not able to attend the Wednesday evening gatherings. Other All Congregation Potlucks will be planned for January and future months.

The Thanksgiving Feast plans were reviewed and all is ready for a great congregational affair for November 18 at the Twin Lakes Gilbert Lodge. (105 individuals attended this wonderful event).

Individual committee chairs reported on their various activities over the last month. Many indicated they could use additional volunteers to help carry out the work of their committee. At the Brunch Potluck the various committee chairs briefly discussed the activities and goals of their committees which led to several members stepping up to help out.

**Chris Walter - Membership** reported 5 new members recently welcomed were already participating in congregational activities.

**Mike McDonald - Safe Harbor** reported that staffing plans for UUCGT's week, December 8th to 15th, are proceeding. There are still some open slots, so please sign up in the fellowship hall or contact Mike McDonald of your availability. Additional food items are also being collected for the Safe Harbor pantry (see list at Safe Harbor table).

**Hal Gurian - Sunday Services** reported plans for the UUCGT sponsored interfaith Christmas Eve at the State Theatre are well underway. Issues from previous events have been resolved and a great program for the Traverse City Community is expected. The Sunday Services Committee will need additional volunteers to serve as greeters, ushers, donation collectors, etc. Program Council made a recommendation to the Board that half of any collected donations would be given to the State Theatre in appreciation of their continued service to the community year round and the remainder to UUCGT Community Needs Committee.

**Hal Gurian** is organizing a Super-Bowl raffle/FUNd Raiser for February 3, 2019. Look for information about this fun congregational event in your Flash and Beacon.

**Jane Fochtman - Community Needs** reported the committee had distributed over \$1000 to a variety of non-profit community groups who help fill the needs of our less fortunate neighbors.

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## **SPOTLIGHT ON NEW MEMBERS**

Welcome to **Alison Kadlec, David Hassing and their daughters, Violet and Lyr!** A friend helped this family become acquainted with UUCGT and they have been attending for over two months. Having had very little or no connection to another religious organization, Alison and David were drawn to the Seven Principles of UU as they considered membership. They were also interested in having their entire family be connected to a spiritual community and having a place for reflection and spiritual growth. They have been very happy with the worship services and have appreciated the warm welcome they have received from congregation members.



When Alison isn't working in higher education reform she enjoys spending time with family, camping, traveling and reading. She recently enjoyed the film *Three Identical Strangers* about three identical triplets separated at birth and adopted by three different families and then discovering one another as young adults. David, an architectural designer, likes building things / working with his hands, traveling and camping. He recently enjoyed reading *Song For the Blue Ocean: Encounters along the World's Coasts and Beneath the Seas* by Carl Safina.

The entire family is getting involved by participating Sunday Services. During the November 25 Sunday Service focused on Gratitude, Lyr assisted Max Old Bear in opening the service by Lighting the Chalice and Ringing the Bell. For Story Wisdom, Violet read a delightful book *Ladybug Girl Gives Thanks* by David Soman to a group of young ones. Alison spoke from the heart about the gratitude she carries when she shared during the Reflection time. We will hear from David at a future Sunday Service in December.

**Thank you Kadlec-Hassing family!** We are very happy that you are all part of our UUCGT family.



## **UUCGT 2019 DIRECTORY REMINDER**

The 2019 Congregation Directory of Members and Friends will be formatted after the first of the new year 2019, many thanks to Membership Committee member, Jane Watts and Susan Sherman, Office Administrator. All members need to have made a monetary contribution of record by December 31, 2018 to be noted as a member in this annual directory. Send all updated contact information to: [office@uucgt.org](mailto:office@uucgt.org).



# HOLIDAY HAPPENINGS

## UUCGT Cares

Through the collaboration among several UUCGT Members and Committees a 2018 Giving Tree has been established. The tree in the hallway features ornaments for members and friends to offer support for two far-reaching needs in our country and world.

One set of ornaments encourages you to help survivors of the Camp Fire in California. We have a sister congregation in Chico, CA near Paradise. Please make your checks payable to UUCGT, and write "Camp Fire" on the Memo line.

Or, you may want to help Central American refugees who receive humanitarian aid from the UU Fellowship of San Miguel de Allende, where our member, Christie McGue, spends the winter. Please make your checks payable to UUCGT, and write "Refugee Relief" on the Memo line.

For more information contact Barb Conley, Joan Sheard or Chris Walter

## 5th Annual Interfaith Christmas Eve Service at the State Theatre!

UUCGT sends warm wishes for this holiday season and invites everyone to join us for our 5th Annual non-denominational Christmas Eve Service at the State Theatre!

Music from the UUCGT Vocal Ensemble, storytelling by Elon Cameron, inspirational messages from Rev. Jody Betten and others will help bring light, love and our extended Traverse City community together for this holiday gathering

*(Reserved free tickets will be available at the State Theatre box office soon)*

## Christmas Eve At the State Theatre

Join us for an interfaith  
celebration of love and  
peace in a family-friendly  
service of stories and  
music.

**December 24, 6:30-7:30 PM**

The Unitarian Universalist Congregation of  
Grand Traverse invites those of all faith  
traditions to join us in celebrating the heart  
of the season.



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### UUCGT Calendar

All events and programs take place at UUCGT unless otherwise noted

#### DECEMBER 2018

02 **Sun** **Sunday Service 10:30 AM**  
02 **Sun** Holiday Tree Decorating! 11:45 AM All are Welcome!  
02 **Sun** Social Justice Team Barb Conley 11:45 AM  
02 **Sun** Mindfulness Meditation 2:30 - 6:30 PM  
03 **Mon** Stretch & Strengthen Judith Briggs 11:00 AM  
03 **Mon** UU Men's Group Dave Halsted Minerva's 5:30 PM  
04 **Tue** Community Lunch @ Friends Church Mary Kiner 10:30 AM  
04 **Tue** Indivisible GT Rick Walter 11:30 AM  
04 **Tue** Bridge Group Paul Christ 1:00 PM  
05 **Wed** Stretch & Strengthen Judith Briggs 11:00 AM  
05 **Wed** Membership Team Chris/Rick Walter 4:30 PM  
05 **Wed** Wednesday Potluck Sandra McDonald 5:30 PM  
06 **Thu** UU office closed during lunch - 11:30 - 1:00 PM  
06 **Thu** Congregational Care Team Joanie Jackson/Pat Light 1:00 PM  
06 **Thu** Peacemakers Needleworkers 1:30 PM  
06 **Thu** Vocal Ensemble John Bailey 7:00 PM  
07 **Fri** Facilities Committee Dave Halsted 10:00 AM  
08 **Sat** New Moon Women's Circle, contact Kat Norman  
08 **Sat** UU Volunteers @ Safe Harbor through December 15  
  
09 **Sun** UU Volunteers @ Safe Harbor  
09 **Sun** Program Council Rick Walter 9:00 AM  
09 **Sun** **Sunday Service - All Music Service 10:30 AM**  
09 **Sun** Mindfulness Meditation 5:00 - 7:00 PM  
10 **Mon** Office staff on vacation through 12/12  
10 **Mon** UU Volunteers @ Safe Harbor  
10 **Mon** Stretch & Strengthen Judith Briggs 11:00 AM  
11 **Tue** UU Volunteers @ Safe Harbor  
11 **Tue** Community Lunch @ Friends Church Mary Kiner 10:30 AM  
11 **Tue** Bridge Group Paul Christ 1:00 PM  
11 **Tue** Finance Committee 5:30 PM  
11 **Tue** Law of Attraction Meet-Up Sherry Davis 6:30 - 8:30 PM  
12 **Wed** UU Volunteers @ Safe Harbor  
12 **Wed** Stretch & Strengthen Judith Briggs 11:00 AM  
12 **Wed** Death Café Donna Stein-Harris 1:00 PM  
12 **Wed** Wednesday Supper/\$5 Sandra McDonald 5:30 PM  
12 **Wed** Saxophone Quartet Holiday Concert 7:00 PM RSVP to office  
13 **Thu** UU Volunteers @ Safe Harbor  
13 **Thu** Peacemakers Needleworkers 1:30 PM 3:30 PM  
13 **Thu** Meditation Workshop Elisabeth Treefon 5:30 PM 6:30 PM  
13 **Thu** Vocal Ensemble John Bailey 7:00 PM 8:30 PM  
14 **Fri** UU Volunteers @ Safe Harbor  
14 **Fri** Friday Night Out 5:30 - 9:00 PM  
15 **Sat** UU Volunteers @ Safe Harbor through breakfast/clean-up

16 **Sun** **Sunday Service 10:30 AM**  
16 **Sun** Mindfulness Meditation 5:00 - 7:00 PM  
17 **Mon** Stretch & Strengthen Judith Briggs 11:00 AM  
18 **Tue** Community Lunch @ Friends Church Mary Kiner 10:30 AM  
18 **Tue** Bridge Group Paul Christ 1:00 PM  
18 **Tue** Leadership Development Joe Cook 6:00 PM  
18 **Tue** UUCGT Board Meeting Mike McDonald 6:30 PM  
19 **Wed** Stretch & Strengthen Judith Briggs 11:00 AM  
19 **Wed** Landscape Team Lauren Keinath 2:30 PM  
19 **Wed** **UUCGT Holiday Potluck!** Sandra McDonald 5:30 PM  
20 **Thu** Congregational Care Team Joanie Jackson/Pat Light 1:00 PM  
20 **Thu** Peacemakers Needleworkers 1:30 PM  
20 **Thu** Meditation Workshop Elisabeth Treefon 5:30 PM  
20 **Thu** Vocal Ensemble John Bailey 7:00 PM  
  
23 **Sun** **Sunday Service 10:30 AM**  
23 **Sun** Mindfulness Meditation 5:00 - 7:00 PM  
24 **Mon** **Christmas Eve @ the State Theatre 6:30 PM**  
24 **Mon** **Candlelight Service @ UUCGT 9:30 PM**  
25 **Tue** **Merry Christmas** - UU office is closed  
25 **Tue** Community Lunch @ Friends Church Mary Kiner 10:30 AM  
26 **Wed** No Wednesday Supper this week  
  
30 **Sun** **Sunday Service 10:30 AM**  
30 **Sun** Mindfulness Meditation 5:00 - 7:00 PM  
31 **Mon** **New Year's Eve** - UU office is closed

#### JANUARY 2019

01 **Tue** **New Year's Day** - UU office is closed  
01 **Tue** Community Lunch @ Friends Church Mary Kiner 10:30 AM  
02 **Wed** Stretch & Strengthen Judith Briggs  
02 **Wed** Wednesday Potluck Sandra McDonald 5:30 PM  
03 **Thu** Congregational Care Team Pat Light/Joanie Jackson 1:00 PM  
03 **Thu** Peacemakers Needleworkers 1:30 PM  
03 **Thu** Vocal Ensemble 7:00 PM  
04 **Fri** Facilities Team Dave Halsted 10:00 AM