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Sunday, November 22, 2026

Inspiring and Empowering All Souls to Live Bold and Compassionate Lives!

UUCA Today

Middle Hour

Pathway to Membership
10:15 AM - 12:30 PM | Wendi Winters Memorial Room
This relaxed, conversational session, focuses on UUCA — who we are, and what our history, purpose and activities are. We also explore what it means to be a member of the congregation. Directly following the Pathway to Membership session, participants have the option to immediately become members. **Childcare Provided.**

Evolution Day wth UUCA Humanists
10:15 AM | Sanctuary & Zoom
Observe and celebrate the anniversary of the November 1859 publication of Charles Darwin's "On the Origin of Species". Lisa Fleeharty will lead us through how natural selection works to drive the evolution of a species: mutation, environment, adaptation, and survival.

Mindful Movement with Charlene Gatewood
10:15 AM | Piscataway
Through the practice of Pilates, come share a gentle exploration of strength and stretch with an emphasis on mindful awareness of how the body moves and feels.

Strategy Game Play
10:15 AM | Black Lives Matter
Come find a partner for games like Go, Chess, Othello, Stratego etc.

Winter Relief Volunteer Sign-Up
10:15 AM | Lobby
Have questions about Winter Relief? Want to know how you can help?Stop by the Winter Relief table in the lobby**.**

After Hour

Games & Gather
12:54 PM | Black Lives Matter
Love board games like Azul and Lost Ruins of Arnak, or social games like Wavelength? Join the Board Game Group!

Special Announcements

Friendsgiving - Gather. Share. Connect.
November 28 | 5:30 PM | Sanctuary
Celebrate the season with our 2nd Annual Friendsgiving! UUCA members, regular attendees, and guests are invited to gather and bring a dish, gather as a community, and strengthen connection.

Holiday Worship /Service Schedule - November 29
On Sunday, November 29, we will gather for one worship service from 9:00–10:00 AM. Please note that childcare will not be available during the service, and there will be no Faith Formation programming following worship.

Winter Relief | January 11-18 | Volunteers Needed!
As temperatures drop, the need for safe, warm shelter becomes more urgent for our neighbors who are unhoused. Please join us in extending the warmth of Beloved Community beyond our walls. For one week, our church will provide hospitality, nourishment and a welcoming environment for 15-25 neighbors in need. Please go to our website and join the Winter Relief Group on Realm for up-to-date information and the links for all volunteer positions and donations **Mandatory Volunteer Training duriing the 12/13 Middle Hour.**

Lifespan Faith Formation

Middle Hour Sessions for Children and Youth

Spirit Play | Prek & K
MacLean Room

Growing into Bold & Compassionate Lives
Jordan Family Sanctuary | 1st-3rd Grade

Living into Bold & Compassionate Lives
UU Sisterhood | 4th-8th Grade

HS yUUth Group Meeting
Pride | 9th-12th Grade

Wonder Readers Book Return
Our Wonder Readers are missing a few books! Have you seen them? If you borrowed books for summer cataloging, please return them so we can complete our children's library inventory.

UUCA's first UU Heritage Trip to Boston for Adults (21+) ✈
Discover Our UU Roots in Boston! Join UUCA's first **Adults ONLY** UU Heritage Trip, May 20–23, 2027! Explore historic churches, Boston's Freedom and Black Heritage Trails, and Salem, Massachusetts. Enjoy fellowship, sightseeing, and an evening of comedy! **Deposit due by November 24th!** Register in Realm today!

Darkening the Doorways: A Book Read & Discussion
Explore the stories of Black trailblazers and missed opportunities in Unitarian Universalism. Join us for meaningful small-group discussions on Zoom as we reflect on our history and future. Register in Realm today!

Join the 2026–27 Common Read: Love at the Center
This year's UU Common Read is Love at the Center: Unitarian Universalist Theologies. Join Cindy Atlee during Middle Hour for reflective conversations inspired by the book. Reading will deepen discussion but is not required to participate.
Discussion Dates: Dec. 13 • Jan. 31 • Mar. 7 • Apr. 4

Beloved Community

Nominate Someone for a Shining Lights Award!
Do you know someone in our church who consistently goes above and beyond? Someone who shines through outstanding service, leadership, and dedication? Then nominate them for a Shining Lights Award! Visit our website to nominate someone. Nominations are due by February 28, 2027.

Youth Employment Opportunities

Submit your resume to our candidate pool for future opportunities. Submit your resume to be considered as positions become available in the following areas:

Support Staff- Must be 15+ & at least a sophomore, a part of our congregation for 6+ months, and have some experience with children.

Childcare Substitute Staff- Must be 18+, First Aid & CPR trained, a part of our congregation for 6+ months, and have had experience working with children. Email FFassistant@uuannapolis.org to apply for Childcare positions.

AV Tech & Sound Support Staff: Must be 15+ & at least a sophomore, and a part of our congregation for 6+ months. Email p.ausiello@uuannapolis.org to apply.

Making Connections

Coffee and Conversations
Thursdays | 10:30 AM - 12:30 PM
Panera in Festivals at Riva (2323 Forest Dr.)
Join us in the private room left of the entrance. Just show up for a beverage or lunch at this fun, social meet-up.

Neighbor Networks Mixer
November 29 | 10:15 - 11:15 AM | Sanctuary
Seeking more fun connections with your neighbors? Come to our UUCA Mixer and find out about upcoming events (and learn how to host/post your own).

Gen XYZ. Meet-Up
December 9 | 7:00 - 9:00 PM | 49 West Coffeehouse
This is a social gathering to connect with the UUCA Community. Free Parking at the State Garage (19 St. John's St. - 7 min. walk) or closer paid parking at Gotts Garage. For more info, email member-engagement@uuannapolis.org

Community-wide Chalice Circle
December 11 | 6:00 - 8:30 PM | Sanctuary
Theme: Awe | Childcare Provided
Potluck and social hour from 6–6:45 pm, followed by small-group discussion from 6:45–8:30 pm centered around this month's theme, Awe. These drop-in gatherings are a great way to meet new people and build community.Childcare provided via UU Values Themed Movie of the Month: The Grinch. (Radical inclusion, kindness, and communal belonging can heal trauma and transform a lonely heart.)

Get Engaged!

Mystic Muses with Sophy Burnham
December 6 | 1:30 PM | Wendi Winters & Zoom
Sophy Burnham will tell true stories of angels past and present, their astonishing interventions and how to communicate with angels as described in many world religions with an emphasis on the various spiritual holidays in December. Questions? Contact Alice Yeager.

Feel the Rhythm! Drum Circle Returns!
December 12 | 10:30 AM | Sanctuary
Drum, dance, chant, sing, and connect! Join us for a joyful, intuitive rhythm experience. No musical experience needed! Bring an instrument or borrow ours. All instruments and voices welcome. Come release stress, lift your spirit, and find your rhythm!

Dinners For Eight
February 6 • April 3
A fun, informal way to bring members, newcomers, and friends together to share food and get to know each other better. There's Still Room at the Table! Want to join as a guest or host? email: DinnersForEight@uuannapolis.org

Realm - Stay Connected!

Realm is our online community hub! It's where you go to find out about upcoming events, join groups, support through giving, and more! But you have to be invited to join. Email member-engagement@uuannapolis.org to get your invite.

Opportunities to Serve

🎁 **Help Us Spread Holiday Joy!** UUCA is proud to partner with People Builders Consulting's Holiday Toy Drive sponsored by Hawk Marketing!! Help us brighten the holidays for children in our community by donating new, unused, unwrapped toys valued at $30 or more. Drop off your donations at UUCA by December 6! Every toy brings a little more joy to a child this holiday season.The community toy giveaway takes place December 19. Questions? Email Sarah Devlin-Tremble.

Support UUCA's Culture of Radical Welcoming!
Time and time again, people tell us that the instant, warm welcome they receive at UUCA is what keeps them coming back and choosing membership. The work our Radical Welcome Team does is so impactful in creating the culture of our congregation! In just a couple hours a month, you can give back to UUCA and be a part of that meaningful work. Whether you'd like to greet people at the door with a quick hello and a smile, be part of our ushering team passing out Connection Cards and collecting the offering, or prefer a behind-the-scenes role helping our hospitality team in the kitchen, there's room for you! Please contact Member Engagement at member-engagement@uuannapolis.org to learn more.

It's Project Time! Who wants to be part of building a Gaga Ball Court? Let's create more spaces for our middle school youth to play, connect, and belong!
🔨 Lend a Hand! We're looking volunteers to help put the gaga ball court together. Interested in helping? Email sdevlintremble@uuannapolis.org.
❤ Can't Help Build? Your financial support is just as important! Donations will help cover the cost of the Gaga Ball court and bring this exciting addition to life. To contribute, visit UUCA's online donation page and select "FF Fund" in the designation line to direct your gift toward the project.

Adult Faith Formation Zoom Facilitators Needed. Session attendance numbers can vary. If interested in training to be a Zoom Facilitatior or already have experience, reach out to Sarah Devlin-Tremble.

Is it My Turn to Bring Snacks?

1st Sun.: A-F | **2nd Sun.:** G-L | **3rd Sun.:** M-R
4th Sun.: S-Z | **5th Sun.:** Everyone

Get to Know Us!

Social Media:

FB: facebook.com/groups/uuchurchofannapolis

Insta: @uuannapolis

Past Sermons:

youtube.com/@UUCA

Podcast:
https://uucamd.libsyn.com

Office Hours

Monday - Thursday | 9:30 AM to 2:30 PM
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Lost and Found is in the coat closet. Please drop off any items for congregants in the coat closet (not the office).

nUUsweek, In the Know: Mondays by 12 noon. Email to intheknow@uuannapolis.org.
Middle Hour/After Hour space requests: Email Sdevlintremble@uuannapolis.org
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