



Newsletter for July 2016

July programs coordinated by Joan Stewart and Terry Crewse

Helping Hands Food Basket

Please continue to bring food for the Helping Hands Food Basket. Bulk staples and other non-perishables are appreciated and delivered weekly by Edith LaVonn.

July 3 Three Successes From My Bucket List

Marilyn will share her experiences traveling to Australia, New Zealand and Fiji.

Hymn 91 Reading (handout) Host: Marilyn

July 10 A Year in France

Uncle Bill Warner will share his experiences as a French and history teacher living in fabulous France for a year on sabbatical leave. Using slides, poetry, music, and observations, you will get much more than what tourists normally find on a quick visit!

July Potluck - Bring a dish to share!

Hymn 16 Reading 515 Host: Charlie

July Birthdays

Marion Gant 4th

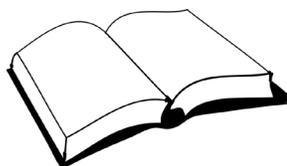
Allison Piersol 21st

Edith LaVonn 26th

Sunday Service is at 10:30 am.
Coffee and visiting at 10:15 am

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Tuesday Reading Group

The Reading Group has gone on hiatus for the summer due to various reasons. An announcement will be made in a future regarding when the group will meet again. The group is looking for new and interested members who enjoy reading and conversation.

July 17 A Few Months in Japan

Gratefully, we welcome back Uncle Bill, who Uncle Bill will share with you his experiences in Japan in places like Kyoto with a side trip to Iwo Jima courtesy of the U.S. Marines. He will also share the excellent documentary *The Electronic Tribe* hosted by Jane Seymour.

Hymn 147 Reading 526 Host: TBA

July 24 Science Hurt My Feelings

What does the oil industry do when it encounters scientific evidence that carbon emissions from the burning of fossil fuels leads to climate change?—pretty much the same that young-earth creationists do when radiocarbon dating and other scientific evidence prove that the earth is much older than 10,000 years. They reverse the scientific process by starting with their preferred conclusions and look for evidence and reasoning which will support them.

Hymn 170 Reading 698 Host: Merrily

UU Monthly Board Meeting
Meets Sunday, July 3, 12:00 p.m.
(shortly following service)

President: Marilyn Pankey
Vice-President: Joan Givan
Treasurer: Steve Summers
Secretary: Marian Gant
Social Justice: Alfonso C. Hernandez
Grounds and Maintenance: Brock Neeley
Program Coordinator: Terry Crewse
Religious Education: Jen Piersol

July 31 Two Separately Visit The Mediterranean

Ellen Nichols and Merrily Davies agreed to combine their memories of why, how, when, and what they experienced wandering the Mediterranean. Ellen comments, “a *dream* trip for me was to sail over the Aegean Sea visiting Greece. This was expanded to include Crete. And, incidentally, it included my one and only stay at a 5-star hotel!”

Hymn 195

Reading 417

Host: Joan Stewart



This Unitarian Universalist community welcomes and celebrates the presence and participation of people who are lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, and/or queer.

As a Unitarian Universalist congregation, we affirm and promote:

- The inherent worth and dignity of every person;
- Justice, equity and compassion in human relations;
- Acceptance of one another and encouragement to spiritual growth in our congregations;
- A free and responsible search for truth and meaning;
- The right of conscience and the use of the democratic process within our congregations and in society at large;
- The goal of world community with peace, liberty, and justice for all;
- Respect for the interdependent web of all existence of which we are a part.