

UUCWI: 2018-19 Worship Calendar

As of: June 26, 2019

Color coding: **Emily**; **Inhouse**; **Other guest speakers**; **UU Ministers**

May 2019 Theme: Dedicated Offering: Veterans Resource Center											
Date	Speaker	W-L	Story	Hymns	Accomp	Special	Sound	Set up	J&S/ end time	DO	Count
May 5	Tom Rawson	Gladys	Seeds	Sing-along	Erin Howard	Tom Rawson	Ken Sim	Francis Werner	5 @ 6 min 11:00		81
Description: Working for Peace with Open Ears, Hearts, and Minds Tom Rawson is a folksinger, songwriter, storyteller, and peace activist from Orcas Island. When he grows up he wants to be Pete Seeger. Armed with long neck banjo and other weapons of mass delight, Tom leads group singing at camps, festivals, churches, community gatherings, and anyplace else folks want to gather and have a hootenanny. Tom's presentation today is entitled, "Tune up your vocal chords--you'll need 'em. Tie-dye optional.											
May 12	Emily	Sara & Becky	Elephants celebrate flower communion	21, 305	Kathryn Hirt	N/A	Sim Ken	Werner	6 @ 7 min 11:07		68
Description: Flower Communion Ninety-six years ago, Norbert Capek, a Unitarian minister in Czechoslovakia, created a flower communion ritual for the congregation he served, as a ritual way of bringing people together. This year, we celebrate flower communion on Mother's Day, an opportune time to honor the gift that each of us is, and the gifts that each of us brings to our shared ministry. <i>Please bring a flower to contribute to our shared bouquet!</i>											
May 19	Rev. Denise Tracy	Andrea	7 words to change the world	118, 1000, 1064	Eileen	Brian & Frances Kenny	Gary Lenore	Terra	6 @ 6 min 11:05		75
Description: Beloved Community How do we envision the world we wish to have for ourselves and give to our children and grandchildren? What images do we create that restore our faith in the future?											
May 26		Ruth & Mark w/Terra support	Fall of Freddie the Leaf	7, 720	Sheila	Choir	Lenore Gary	Dennis-H Ruth, Sarah, Terra	NA 10:56	\$DO	54
Description: Remembering our Beloveds Each year, on the Sunday before Memorial Day, we set aside time to remember departed beloveds. There will be opportunities for shared remembrances and appreciations of those no longer with us in body, but whose love still moves within us. You are invited to bring photos or meaning-filled talismans that represent those loved ones to adorn our altar table											

June 2019 Theme: Dedicated Offering: Days for Girls											
Date	Speaker	W-L	Story	Hymns	Accomp	Special	Sound	Set up/Usher	J&S/ end time	DO	Count
June 2	Joseph Bednarik	Mavis	Amelia and her Super Magical Powers by Gail Sphar	#1024, #86, #331	Eileen	Katherine Lof	Dave Tom	Mark Jane	Ended 10:59	WVRC \$630	95
Description: Specialize in the Impossible In this bright dark world of beauty and tumult, poet Theodore Roethke said, "What we need is more people who specialize in the impossible." Why would anyone bother with the impossible? This sermon explores those noteworthy realms of possible and impossible, and what powers we need to harness to become that specialist our world so desperately needs.											
June 9	Emily	Ruth	Flip, the Unigon	#1011, #1002, #108	Eileen	Eileen	Anders	Jeanne A-H			102
Description: Holding the Tension When fear for ourselves, our loved ones, our community, the world, or our planet gnaws at us, it's natural to try to gain certainty or control, to rush forward into the next thing, or to distract ourselves from the fear. What would it look like to surrender instead, to let go of striving and embrace the experience of the unknown as an opportunity for tending our souls?											
June 16	Swil Kanim	Terra		#6, #320	Erin H	Swil Kanim	Mark	Frances	J&S 8 @ 7 mins Ended 11:04		72 + 5 kids
Description: A member of the Lummi Tribe, Swil Kanim is a classically trained violinist, engaging native storyteller, and a passionate advocate for honor among all peoples. Aware of the challenges of this time, Swil Kanim will weave his original compositions and native storytelling into his reflections about the importance of being true to our feelings in our actions.											
June 23	Earth Spirit	Effie			Sheila	Choir	Conrad	Werner			59 + 6 kids
Description: Summer Solstice The Summer Solstice has been celebrated since ancient times. Warmed by the life giving energy of Father Sun, the seeds of winter and the flowers of spring are transforming into the ripening fruit of summer, both in our gardens and in our personal lives. Through song, story, ceremony, and without a sermon, we will celebrate the fullness of life and Earth's many blessings. note: this is General Assembly in Spokane so some congregants will be gone											
June 30	Colleen Squires	Emily			Eileen		Tom	Terra			
Description: Why I Do Not Preach About Dr. King on MLK Sunday "This may seem counter-intuitive but out of deep respect for the life and work of Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. I seldom preach about him on his birthday. There are several reasons for this, and the sermon will lift up the intention behind this stance." The Rev. Colleen Squires, (she/her) is the Senior Minister at All Souls Community Church of West Michigan, a Unitarian Universalist Congregation. She is also an Adjunct Professor of Ministerial Formation at Meadville Lombard Theological School. Colleen's focus in her ministry is around social justice issues concerning LGBTQ youth and the eradication of white supremacy from our world. Colleen and her wife of 32 years, Linda, live in Grand Rapids, Michigan.											

History – previous months for our 2018-19 worship year:

July 2018 Theme: Dedicated Offering: BLUU (Black Lives of UU)											
Date	Speaker	W-L	Story	Hymns	Accomp	Special	Sound	Set up	J&S	DO	count
July 1	Rev. Caplow	Becky	Raisin Meditation	1008, 1031, 149	Nola	Eileen	Tom	Mark	8@9 min 11:10		81
Description: Buddhist Practices for Resilience and Renewal – Some days it seems that the whole world is stressed, anxious, and overwhelmed. How can we find some balance and even joy in the midst of the challenges? Rev. Florence Caplow, UU minister and ordained Zen priest, will share some simple Buddhist practices for resilience and renewal.											
July 8	Congregants	Effie	Singing 7 Principles to Do Re Mi	361, 413, 131	Nola	Barbara Dunn	Gary	Werner	7 @ 10 10:58		~60
Description: They Had a Dream - Reflections from UUCWI Founders 2018 marks the 25th anniversary of the founding of UUCWI and we will enjoy a variety of informative and celebratory events. Our soap box series opens with founders Linda Good, Christi Shaffer, and Barbara Dunn sharing inspiring stories of the small group of people who came together to pursue their dream of building a liberal religious community and the ways people of all ages gathered to worship, learn, and support one another.											
Jul 15	Shelly Tochluk	Mary Goolsby, Jane Hayes	Repairing our Mistakes	188, (160), 112	Nola	Ken Merrell	Ken/Mavis	Werner	7 @ 10 mins 11:05	BLUU \$698.	98 + 1
Description: STANDING IN SOLIDARITY : How do we stand together in moments of disagreement? Shelly is the author of Witnessing Whiteness: The Need to Talk About Race and How to do it. and Living in the Tension: The Quest for a Spiritualized Racial Justice. She is an educator with a background in psychology. She spent ten years as a researcher, counselor, and teacher in California's public schools. She now trains teachers to work with Los Angeles' diverse school population as a Professor in the Education Department at Mount Saint Mary's University-Los Angeles.											
Jul 22	Congregants	Gladys	A Lamp in Every Corner	12, 139	Nola	Nola	Mark	Werner			
Description: The Dream Unfolds The stories of our UUWI history come alive most vividly when told by those who actually lived them. We continue the celebration of our 25th anniversary with more stories from founders Gladys and Mitchell Howard, Gary Piazzon, and Carrie Carpenter. When and how did we become an official UU congregation? Who provided leadership as the congregation grew? How did we make decisions? Where did we gather for worship? What activities did our children enjoy? Who was our first minister? How did the community celebrate?											
Jul 29	Lucie and Jim Carlson	Mavis	Mole Music	318, 410	Nola	Lucie and Jim	Conrad	Terra	0 @ 2 10:57		66 + 1

Description: **Cricket & Snail: Approaching Uncertainty with Musical Creativity** Lucie is from the Czech Republic and plays the violin. Jim is from the Seattle area and plays the accordion. This international duo known as Cricket & Snail will share their passion for music and a life built around that music.

August 2018 Theme: Dedicated Offering: NWIRP (NorthWest Immigrant Rights Project)											
Date	Speaker	W-L	Story	Hymns	Accomp	Special	Sound	Set up	J&S/ end time	DO	Count
Aug 5	Rev. Emily Melcher	MSC	A Perfect Fit - shoes	295, 1029, 131	Eileen	Becky and Eileen	Tom	Dennis	5@ 7 11:05		101-114
Description: Ministerial Candidating Weekend: Creating One Another We tend to enter into relationships (whether friendships, marriages, or shared ministries) with a mixture of hope and trepidation. It's natural to put our best foot forward at the outset, even as we seek the best in one another. Still, we know there's another foot, and in the end, we're all perfectly imperfect human beings. The hope lies in the perfect <i>relationship</i> , which is to say in the relationship that nurtures, sustains, and challenges us, furthering our growth in ways both desired and unanticipated. Today, as we take the final step in discerning whether we would like Rev. Melcher to be our next minister, she will share what she has seen in us, and explore the hopes and trepidation she brings to our shared ministry.											
Aug 12	Ann Medlock	Becky	Becky - story from Ann	23, 1028, 1024	Thomasa Eckert	Recorder Consort	Lenore	Sim	No J&S End: 10:56	NWIRP \$658	~55
Description: As Long As There Are Giraffes, There is Hope. Ann Medlock has worn a lot of hats. She's been a writer, editor, publicist, teacher, speaker, actor, radio commentator, speechwriter, and ghost. She's also a social entrepreneur, having founded the Giraffe Heroes Project, a nonprofit organization that's given countless people around the globe the stories of real heroes—people sticking their necks out for the common good—for more than three decades. In 1983, concerned that too few people were actively participating in their own democracy, she launched the Giraffe Heroes Project, to inspire people into active participation in public life. The organization has since honored well over 1,300 "Giraffes," and told their stories in every medium that becomes available.											
Aug 19	Dallas and Mary	Mark	The Grannyman	#123, #311	Eileen	Talia	Sim	Gary			63
Description: You CAN Teach An Old Bitch New Tricks It is difficult to teach an old dog new tricks but old bitches are amazingly flexible. Dallas has taken lessons learned and created poems that are insightful and humorous. She illustrates her life, her poetic process, and lessons learned from her bitch, Stella. Her other books of poetry are I Come from Kentucky and heart stone haiku. Dallas lives here on Whidbey with her dog Stella, near her children, grandchildren and great-grandchildren. She attended the Universities of Kentucky, Rhode Island, and Hawaii and earned her BA in psychology from Humboldt University in Washington. As the wife of a naval aviator she learned a lot more. At the age of 80, when she sometimes thought she knew it all, she realized she could still learn a few tricks.											
Aug 26	Kate and Sim	Mavis	Ken - Bobby McFerrin's Pentatonic	Drumming, I'm Into Something Good, 1024, Don't Worry/Be Happy	Eileen	Becky, Ken, Mavis, Eileen	Dave	Werner	9@5 10:55		61
Description: The Importance of Play in Individual and Collective Endeavors - we will address, in a light-hearted way, the serious work of "play" as a way to maintain a healthy state of mind. Please come join us – and bring any kind of drum and your inner child.											

September 2018 Theme: Dedicated Offering: Valve Turners											
Date	Speaker	W-L	Story	Hymns	Accomp	Special	Sound	Set up	J&S/ end time	DO	Count
Sept 2	Founders	Effie	A Drop With A Dream	#360, #128	Eileen	Ken	Gary	Terra	no J&S 11:15		82+1
Description: If We Build It They Will Come This Labor Day weekend as we conclude the celebrations of our congregation's first 25 years. We will share pictures and stories of the many people whose dreams, hearts and hands constructed this beautiful sanctuary. We will celebrate what we have accomplished together and look ahead to the next chapters of UUCWI's story as we prepare to welcome Rev. Emily Melcher and continue building this vital shared ministry.											
Sept 9	Ingathering	Katy	This Is My Wish for You (Snell)	#347, #210, #108	Eileen	Choir, Cynthia, Frank	Ken	Dennis			91
Description: Ingathering/Water Communion/25th Anniversary - Welcome, welcome as we gather together to start our new church year in our traditional Ingathering Water Communion service. This Sunday will be a thoughtful, reflective day as we share the special meaning of the small amount of waters we have brought to share in our larger bowl – symbolizing our shared faith coming from many different sources.											
Sept 16	Emily	Rick	Mussa and Nagib	#112, #127, #1037	Eileen	Dave Edwards	Lenore	Sim	4@4		101
Description: Regret is a Human Emotion You may have heard that “regret is a useless emotion.” On the contrary, I believe that regret is a natural human emotion that plays a vital role in reconciling us internally, with one another, and with the Spirit of Life and Love. The Jewish Days of Awe, also called the Days of Repentance, invite us to consider where we have missed the mark in our own lives and relationships. If we allow ourselves to experience our regret, it may become a catalyst for healing.											
Sept 23	Kate	Eileen	Drumming	#131, #354	Kathryn	Ei, Becky, Katy, Joann, Gene	Conrad Gary	Gary	5@3 11:05		70
Description: Nurturing Our Healthy Community Do we listen with respect and interest when we ask someone, “How are you?” or are we merely being polite and expecting a superficial response? Health is not just the absence of illness and it encompasses our whole selves: our physical health, our emotional health, our mental health and our spiritual health. How do we find compassion for our whole selves and for the whole selves of others in our community?											
Sept 30	Emily	Katy	Sign Language SOL	#23, #90, #1052	Eileen	Choir	Tom	Werner	10@11 11:19	Valve Turners \$884	90
Description: Our Universal Source In addition to our Seven Principles, which name the values we hold in common, Unitarian Universalism identifies six sources for our religious tradition. Our first source, “Direct experience of the transcending mystery and wonder, affirmed in all cultures, which moves us to a renewal of the spirit and an openness to the forces that create and uphold life,” might well be said to be our universal source, the place where our individual searches for truth and meaning begin.											

October 2018 Theme: Dedicated Offering: Initiative 1631											
Date	Speaker	W-L	Story	Hymns	Accomp	Special	Sound	Set up	J&S/ end time	DO	Count
Oct 7	Joseph Bednarik	Mavis	This Little Light of Mine	#118, #134, #140	Tommie	Siri	Mark	Mark	2@4 11:00		77
Description: The Altar of Iron and Light Within the United Nations building in New York City is a meditation room that contains a massive block of iron ore illuminated from above by a single beam of light. In the midst of the world's Alpha City, this simple room is dedicated to silence and thoughtful introspection. The famed UN Secretary General Dag Hammarskjöld designed the room, and wrote, "This small room [is] a place where the doors may be open to the infinite lands of thought and prayer." This sermon enters that room of iron and light to see where the infinite may lead.											
Oct 14	Emily	Andrea	Gardener of Impatiens	#361, #123, #100	Eileen	Choir	Dave	Terra	5@5 11:00		96
Description: Between the Ending and the Beginning: Welcome to the Liminal Space There are times in every life, and in the life of every congregation, when we do best to surrender our illusions of control, release our striving, and fall into the embrace of love, where faith is born, and a new sense of self can gestate.											
Oct 21	Rev. Amy Beltaine	Linda/Effie	The Lucky Little Seaweed by Mark McMenamin	#389, #163	Kathryn	Becky, Effie, Linda	Sim, Dave	Dennis	5@6 11:08		72
Description: Our 6th Source: Spiritual Teachings of our Earth-Centered Traditions Spiritual teachings of Earth-centered traditions celebrate the sacred circle of life and instruct us to live in harmony with the rhythms of nature. A fire requires fuel, and living whole-heartedly requires spiritual sustenance. Community and Relationships? Nature and Personal Experience? Stories, Myth, or Scripture? Teachers and Leaders? Tradition? What sources do you turn to that comfort you, challenge you, and inspire you? Let us bless ourselves, and each other, by exploring our richest sources.											
Oct 28	Emily	Jane	Mamma Ella's Bedtime Story	#1008, #317, #346	Eileen	Emily	Gary	Terra	None 11:05	Initiative 1631 \$1,323	75
Description: Who Lives in Us? As the Christian celebration of All Saint's Day approaches, we remember those who live in and through us, and reflect on how their values and choices are our enduring companions and guides											

November 2018 Theme: Dedicated Offering: Ryan's House											
Date	Speaker	W-L	Story	Hymns	Accomp	Special	Sound	Set up	J&S/ end time	DO	Count
Nov 4	Earth Spirit	Effie	I Wasn't Always Your Mother		none?	Barbara Dunn	Ken	Werner	Silent Stones 11:05		68 + 1
Description: In The Footprints of the Ancestors: Samhain Samhain is an ancient Gaelic festival marking the end of the harvest season when many people believe the veil between our world and the spirit world becomes very thin. Members of our Earth Spirit Circle will share stories and songs as we remember and honor the ancestors including the first people of the Salish Sea, the ancestors of our own blood lines, and challenge us to be mindful of our responsibility as the ancestors of those who will follow in our footprints.											
Nov 11	Rev. Bill Graves	Toyan Mavis	You Are Stardust - Kelsey	1030, 23	Eileen	Choir	Mark	Mark	Silent Stones 11:03		66
Description: "Oh My G_d" The title to this service borrows from the Jewish tradition of refraining from saying or writing a full word representing the source of all which is unknowable and unnamable. But, even while acknowledging our inherent limitations in this subject area, some of us cannot help pondering questions such as: Is there an ultimate reality to put my faith in beyond myself? What gives me "hope"? Who or what lays claim to my life, my heart? How do I deal with the G-word when I encounter it?											
Nov 18	Emily	Gladys	Strength in Unity (birds)	134, 157, 146	Eileen	Cynthia/Eileen	Conrad	Werner	3@3 minutes 11:00	\$837	93 + 2
Description: A Good Word What's a preacher to say in times like these? What would constitute "A Good Word" in the context of the resurgence of heteropatriarchy and the eruption of white nationalism, when the values we hold dear are increasingly being eroded, and human greed has driven the climate past the point of no return? Whether the mid-term elections have engendered hope or despair, this is no time for withdrawal into complacency; it is the time to resist, and to build resilience for the long-haul. Today I'll share some questions and observations about how we might do that, hand-in-hand and arm-in-arm.											
Nov 25	Emily	Effie	No Problem? - Anders	360, 128, 123, 354	Kathryn	Heidi, Talia	Tom	Terra	6 @ 5 min ~11:04		84 + 1
Description: Gratitude Communion Our annual Thanksgiving service adapts traditional liturgies and rituals in light of Unitarian Universalism. The sharing of bread and water invites awareness of the bounty and limits of our planet, binds us in kinship with all humankind, and reminds us of life's twin necessities: receiving and giving. Our minister and members of the congregation will share reflections on gratitude for the gift of life, the bounty of Earth, and our commitment to a world of peace, justice and love.											

December 2018 Theme: Dedicated Offering: Church of the Larger Fellowship; Good Cheer Christmas Eve											
Date	Speaker	W-L	Story	Hymns	Accomp	Special	Sound	Set up	J&S/ end time	DO	Count
Dec 2	Joseph Bednarik	Becky	Billings, MT and the Menorahs	221, 326, 362	Tommie	Nola & Cynthia	Dave	Dennis Terra and Becky	4@3 min 11:06		60 + 1
Description: Holy Lights of the Holidays The winter holidays incorporate lights of all kinds, from menorah candles and the eastern star to New Year's sparklers and solstice bonfires. This sermon explores the myriad holy lights of the holiday season, especially the light inside us all.											
Dec 9	Emily	Sara Heath	Every Sunday Morning	2183, 318	Kathryn	Cynthia	Lenore	Andrea	5 @ 5 min 11:06	\$471	83
Description: Red Herrings What is a UU congregation doing when we gather on Sunday mornings for worship? This morning, I'll share why I think the most common UU notion of worship, and the ways we tend to consider and reflect upon worship, are red herrings, drawing our attention away from the deeper purpose and power of worship. I'll offer my own understandings, and a new paradigm for our individual and collective reflection.											
Dec 16		Mavis & Ruth		231, 237, 248, 259	Eileen	Choir	Sim	Terra			85
Description: No Rehearsal Pageant At this service we will present our second "No Rehearsal Christmas Pageant". Two narrators will tell the story and there will be Christmas carols for everyone to sing – supplemented by the choir.- -											
Dec 21	Emily	---	---	---	---	Ken M	---	---	---		26
Description: Blue Christmas Vespers For many, the holiday season, with its hustle and bustle and its expectation of joy, is a difficult time. If you're struggling this season with losses, grief, distance from friends or loved ones, worry for the world, loneliness, or anything else, I hope you'll join me for a Blue Christmas Vespers Service – a time of healing music, comforting poetry, and sharing											
Dec 23	Emily	Mark		224, 225, 241, 1034	Eileen	Frank, Marsha, Lisa S-K, Ruth	Gary	Werner	7@7 min 11:00		64
Description: Justice Across Borders Nearly 80 years ago, the Unitarian Universalist Service Committee's precursor organization was started to support the work of people helping Jewish children escape Nazism. In the ensuing years, the UUSC has furthered human rights throughout the world through partnerships that advance the work and priorities of local human rights organizations. Each year, the Unitarian Universalist Service Committee invites us to get to know several of their human rights partners, metaphorically inviting them to be guests at our tables, by reading about their grassroots partners and setting aside the cost of a meal each time we eat for several weeks to donate to the UUSC. This morning, as we remember the arduous census journey required of a pregnant young woman and her spouse over 2000 years ago, we'll get to know a few of those who today make the life-threatening journey across borders, and the justice-seekers and justice-makers who accompany them.											
Dec 24	(Emily)	Terra & Ruth	Build a Creche		Eileen	David E, Coreen B	Ken	Terra		\$563	~ 100!
Description: Christmas Eve "Let there be a season when holiness is heard, and the splendor of living is revealed. Stunned to stillness by beauty we remember who we are and why we are here." ~ Rebecca Parker Such is Christmas Eve. Please join us at 4pm for a traditional service of carols, stories and reflection, candle lighting and love. We will rejoice in the blessings and gifts of this season that have been celebrated in the northern hemisphere since the beginning of time.											
Dec 30		Effie & Rick	This Little Light	221, 362, Pass on the Light	Sheila	Sheila W	Mark	Mark	8 @ 9 min 11:13		57
Description: Festival of Light The lighted Chalice is the cherished symbol of Unitarian Universalists, and fire is a sacred symbol common to the beliefs and rituals of many											

cultures. Members of the congregation will share reflections on the use of fire in the traditions of the UU Chalice, Jewish Festival of Hanukkah, African American Kwanzaa Festival, and Hindu Festival of Diwali. Join us as we prepare for the New Year with a candle lighting ceremony affirming our best intentions for our families, our congregation, our country, and our world.

Jan 2019 Theme: Dedicated Offering: Civility First											
Date	Speaker	W-L	Story	Hymns	Accomp	Special	Sound	Set up	J&S/ end time	DO	Count
Jan 6	Emily	Becky	Snout's gift	Draw the Circle Wide, 1021	Eileen	Eileen	Conrad	Andrea/Werner	2 @ 3 min 11:08		68
Description: Draw the Circle Wide As we welcome new members into our congregation, we consider the meaning of membership and covenant and what it means to continually widen our circle(s) of belonging											
Jan 13	Rick Mylander	Terra	Beaver Girl's 3 temptations	4, 411	Gladys	Tina Lowe	Tom	Terra	6 @ 6 min 11:10		84
Description: Into the Wild The wilderness. Whether it's a literal and physical one or a spiritual one -- what some have called 'the dark night of the soul' -- most of us shun it at minimum. Or, if we are able to do so, we avoid it at all costs. But what if something very special can happen there? Then we might not want to miss it. Let's take a look at some of the spiritual dimensions of wilderness in our lives. Rev. Rick Mylander is a member of our local Greening Congregations Collaborative and serves as an interim minister for Christian congregations in crisis and/or transition. As a naturalist and an avid student of Jesus, his two passions have come together "in an almost aching, throbbing sense of wonderment and awe." He titles his blog Naturally...reflections on Creation and Christian spirituality . http://www.rickmylander.com/ He lives in Coupeville with his wife Gail.											
Jan 20	Tom Ewell	Mark	Little Beauty	121, 159	Kathryn	Empyrean String Quartet	Lenore	Dennis H	2 @ 3 min 11:03	\$ 375	73
Description: This Little Ethic of Mine Many of us feel betrayed by the dearth of ethical behavior by our country's leadership. But ethics are also personal. In this time of moral confusion and compromise, how do we form our own personal ethics? Tom has served most of his career as an ecumenical, interfaith, and Quaker peace and justice advocate at the regional and national level with a particular expertise in criminal justice reform and disarmament. He is a member of the WA Quaker Voice lobby group in Olympia and serves on the Criminal Justice Working Group of the Faith Action Network in Seattle. He lives in Clinton with his wife, Cathy Whitmire.											
Jan 27	Emily	Gladys	These Hands	95, 169	Sheila W	Choir	Sim	Mark	5 @ 5 min 11:12		92
Description: Always A Voice Rises Oppression of all kinds damages the oppressed and the oppressor, fracturing human connections to self, one another and life itself. Out of the broken places, voices arise, seeking comfort, wholeness and liberation. In this, the first of three sermons in a series addressing Unitarian Universalism's challenges to become an anti-racist, anti-oppression, multi-cultural religion, we consider what we might learn about the limits of our embrace from MLK's relationship to Unitarianism											

February 2019 Theme: Dedicated Offering: Lummi Tribes' Canoe Journey											
Date	Speaker	W-L	Story	Hymns	Accomp	Special	Sound	Set up	J&S/ end time	DO	Count
Feb 3	Joseph Bednarik	Katy	The Little Engine that Could	1024, 1031	Eileen	Eileen	Gary	Jeanne Amundsen-Herzog	Silent 11:20		71
Description: Figure Out Something In his poem "Commuting," Clemens Starck writes: "My son, he's ten, he wants to know what we're here for." During the poet's commute home from a long day at work, he challenges himself to "figure out something," and he has a twenty-mile drive to do it. We've all been where that little boy is: Profound wonderment about our place in the Universe. We've all been where that commuter is: Trying to figure out something. This sermon explores our own commute through life, the questions that											
Feb 10	Emily	Terra	SNOW CANCELLATION !!!		Sheila	Choir	Ken	Francis Wood			
Description: Selma and the Empowerment Controversy An exploration of two seminal events in UU involvement with racial justice: MLK's call to Selma, which was a prime example of how we shoed up and put our lives on the live for the cause of racial justice; and the Empowerment Controversy within UU, in which our predominantly white religious tradition failed to support our African American members, leading to an exodus of many of them from our congregations and UUA											
Feb 17	Effie & Gene	Andrea	Big Words, Little Words	6, 95, 128, 402	Eileen	Eileen	Mark	Werner/ Andrea			53
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Feb 24	Emily	Terra	Snout discovers he's "different"	149	Sheila	Choir	Conrad	Terra & Tom	6 @ 5 min 11:08	\$1000	80
Description Selma and the Empowerment Controversy An exploration of two seminal events in UU involvement with racial justice: MLK's call to Selma, which was a prime example of how we shoed up and put our lives on the line for racial justice. When MLK called for clergy of all faiths to travel to Selma to participate in the civil rights marches there, UU clergy and lay people showed up and put our lives on the line for racial justice. Less than five years later, African-American UUs challenged us to support their empowerment within and beyond Unitarian Universalism, and our responses to that challenge led to heartbreak and the exodus of many African-Americans from our religious body. Five decades later, Unitarian Universalists of Color called upon our still predominantly white congregations and Association of congregations to eradicate white supremacy culture from our systems and structures. Their call has helped us move forward, and it has also been met with significant resistance and backlash. In this final sermon in my series addressing Unitarian Universalism's challenges to become an anti-racist, anti-oppression, multi-cultural religion, I'll attempt to make the water we swim in visible, and suggest the psychological work that white Unitarian Universalists need to do to be able to embrace this difficult and liberating work in our congregations and our Association of Congregations. A dedicated offering will be received for the Lummi Nation who are hosting the annual canoe gathering of the tribes											

March 2019 Theme: During the month of March, we'll take a look at three spheres for UUCWI's ministry: Within Us, Among Us, and Beyond Us. What difference does UUCWI make in the inner lives of people? What difference does UUCWI make in the connections and relationships among us? What difference does UUCWI make in the community and world beyond around us?

Dedicated Offering: SW Tilth

Date	Speaker	W-L	Story	Hymns	Accomp	Special	Sound	Set up	J&S/ end time	DO	Count
Mar 3	Emily w/ Kate & John L	Emily	Finding my Voice	34, 123	Eileen	Emily & Eileen	Tom	Mark	7 @ 7 min 11:15		77
Description: Within Us What difference has UUCWI made in your heart and mind? How have you grown emotionally or spiritually? What have you learned about yourself and your place in the universe?											
Mar 10	Jamal Rahman	Andrea	Flix	56, 155	Sheila	Choir	Ken	Jeanne Amundsen-Herzog	3 @ 3 min 11:05		75
Description: Spiritual Fragrance of the Quran: Inter Spiritual Reflections on verses of beauty and wisdom											
Mar 17	Emily w/Ken & Cynthia	Jane	The Real Treasure	354, 360	Eileen	Eileen & David, Cynthia, Ken, Tom	Sim	Mark	6 @ 8mn 11:17		83
Description: Among Us What difference has UUCWI made in your sense of community, of interconnectedness, of covenantal relationships, of connection and caring											
Mar 24	Cynthia Trenshaw	Becky	Big Cat Little Cat	131, 311	Eileen	Becky	Gary	Francis	7 @ 7 11:10		78
Description: A Writer, Being Written An unseen Hand and a silent Voice offer edits during a life's spiritual narrative. It's unwise to ignore the Editor's suggestions. But paying attention can change the narrative's trajectory far beyond the expected. Writer and poet Cynthia Trenshaw speaks of "the sacred Editor's" influence in her life.											
Mar 31	Emily	Andrea	Misha and his brothers	134, 318	Gladys	Gladys	Anders	Werner	6 @ 5 min 11:00	\$338	79
Description: Beyond Us What difference has UUCWI made in how you understand and seek to meet the needs of the world in which we live? How does UUCWI equip or prepare you to be in service to the world beyond the doors of UUCWI?											

April 2019 Theme: Erin's e-mail patience77@gmail.com											
Dedicated Offering: Earth Ministry											
Date	Speaker	W-L	Story	Hymns	Accomp	Special	Sound	Set up	J&S/ end time	DO	Count
Apr 7	Joseph Bednarik	Sandy Welch	The Zax	407, 1008, 1017	Erin Howard	Ken	Mark	Terra	5 @ 4 min 11:00		75
Description: The Theory & Practice of Zax In his brilliant story "The Zax," Dr. Seuss takes fundamentalism to its logical extreme when a North-Going Zax and a South-Going Zax meet on a path and neither will step aside to allow the other to pass. As these Zax stand puffed-chest and glowering, let's go out to visit them -- to discover whether UU values might help loosen this wet-knot situation.											
Apr 14	This I Believe	Mark	Biscuits: a Zen Parable	16, 108	Sheila	Choir	Lenore	Dennis H	4 @ 4 min 11:00		61
Description: This I Believe: Our annual <i>This I Believe</i> service is always a favorite. Three members will share their personal beliefs and the values that guide their everyday living. This year, Cathy Vincent, Kimberly Cerra, and Mark Simpson will reflect on the difference their participation at UUCWI has made in their personal lives, their sense of community, and their service to the world in which we live.											
April 20	Seder Dinner	Rick & Jane									
Description:											
Apr 21	Easter	Effie & Terra	Grandmother's Gift	Green Blade Rises, Hymn of Promise, 203	Erin Howard	Cynthia & Nola	Conrad	Mark	Silent J&S 11:00		64
Description: Easter: A great YES! to Life. Nature's seasonal cycles of birth, death, and rebirth invite us to participate in the vibrant, interdependent web of life. Join us in reflecting on Spring's invitation to experience the fullness of life – not in yesterday, nor in tomorrow, but in the timeless, present moment.											
Apr 28	Emily	Katy	You don't have to shine	16, 131	Erin Howard	Chalice Consort*	Tom	Jeanne A-H		\$564	84
Description: Problems of Perfectionism Contemporary singer/songwriter Cosy Sheridan writes "Perfect don't need anyone; perfect's all by itself." That would be problematic enough, but perfectionism has roots in a centuries old mistranslation of Jesus's words, and its crown harbors shame relentless striving, loneliness, and white supremacy. Let's reexamine "perfect"! * Jane, Gladys, Frank, Joann & Linda											

Planning for next year:

- Marie Luczyk recommends Black woman minister from Oak Harbor and dancers
- Florence Caplow during the summer when she comes to her place on the coast?
- Johnny Palka – summer
- Michael Dowd & Connie Barlow here for Oct – Jan
- Imam Jamal has a girlfriend on island and would enjoy coming much more often. Suggests he and Ted do a combined program some time. Should we sponsor a workshop with them?
- Rabbi Ted has a condo here and spends several days every week on island. He's at Unity every other month now.

- Effie's idea for epiphany/star word/ carry the light – after Christmas, 1st of the year (source: Fauntleroy UCC)
- Kate Davies is writing an essay on how our climate disruption is a spiritual crisis
- Doug Benecke who speaks regularly at Unity, would like to come. Terra has an e-mail from him. He and his wife also provide special music