

Sunday Bulletin

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First Unitarian Universalist Church of Nashville (FUUN)

A Welcoming Congregation

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A weekly flyer of announcements. See firstuunash.org for more information.

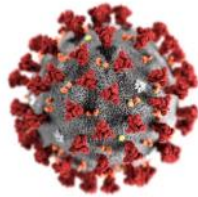
CREATE COMMUNITY

Welcome back. It's been exactly two years since our last Weekly Bulletin was published on March 15, 2020. For full details on announcements, visit our website firstuunash.org.

FUUN COVID Policy: All in-person programming will take place according to the COVID policy adopted by congregational vote at the January 23, 2021 congregational meeting:

"Resolved, that church members and visitors participating in in-person activities inside church facilities are required to be vaccinated fully for COVID 19, unless ineligible for vaccine or having a valid medical exclusion from vaccination."

Additionally, programming for children and youth is currently masked and distanced per recommended guidelines. For FUUN Covid Information, visit firstuunash.org/covid-policy.



The Trans Affirming Collective (TAC) is a group of trans people and allies who work with our UU community to celebrate people of all gender identities through education, advocacy, and collaborative solidarity. TAC's monthly meetings are open to anyone who shares this mission. Email trans@theuunash.org for the Zoom link.



FUUN Calendar

Mar. 13	Trans Affirming Collective Meeting
Mar. 15	Book Group Board of Directors Meeting
Mar. 17	Vision Meetings begin: sign up for one now
Mar. 20	Stewardship Campaign starts Multigenerational Project after service
Mar. 31	Budget Request Forms due
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Apr. 17	Easter Egg Hunt Stewardship Campaign ends
Apr. 19	Book Group
Apr. 23	Herb & Craft Fair
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May 18	Virginia Grantham Service Award nominations due

*For all activities and campus uses, see our calendar at firstuunash.org.

The Book Group meets on the *third Tuesday on Zoom, noon-1:30 p.m.* All are welcome. Please contact bookgroup@theuunash.org for the link. On March 15, we will discuss: Harlem Shuffle by Colson Whitehead and on Apr. 19: Oh, William! by Elizabeth Strout.



Facility use reminder: please complete the online Church Use Scheduling Request Form* at least two weeks prior to events for a) one-time or recurring events/meetings and b) access to equipment (projectors, screens), tables, social hour tables, use of church bulletin board, and so on. For more information, please reach out to our Office Manager, Brandi Emrys, at office@firstuunash.org.

*This form and more house-keeping resources can be found on our [Leadership Resources website page](#).

Join us in Visioning for our Future: We need your input. Our new Vision Statement will be a description of how we will be different in five years as we work together to fulfill our Mission Statement. Our process to connect, engage, and plug into our collective power needs you! The Vision Statement will be used as guidance, offering direction to church members, leaders, and staff as we create community and work towards our mission together. Ways to participate:

Small group Visioning workshops: Sign up at <https://bit.ly/3vTOFIh> for in-person workshops. Please note the five 2-hour workshops include a section to meet the minister while the three 1-1/2-hour sessions will be visioning-only. Sessions are limited to 12 people.

Individual online Visioning: The online option, expected to be ready for use by March 17, will guide individuals through a visioning process. Your online input will be submitted directly to the task force. A link for this option will be published next week.

Wishing Wells: Our physical Wishing Well is stationed in the social hall. The online Wishing Well is at <https://bit.ly/3CCb3HB>. Use either to submit your wishes for what FUUN can become in the next five years.



If you are interested in a **Zoom workshop**, need to be placed on a workshop waiting list or have any questions, please contact us at MissionVision@TheFUUN.org.

NURTURE SPIRITUAL GROWTH

Faith Development Classes

Wandering Together

Sundays, March 6, 13, 20, 27, 2-3:30 p.m.

Via Zoom: <https://us06web.zoom.us/j/86148391402>

*****This class is open to new participants on March 13, but it will be closed thereafter.***** Please email mmills@firstuunash.org if you are interested in participating in the series at a later date.

In collaboration with the UU Church of the Palouse in Moscow, Idaho, we will be offering a four-session program about, to borrow a metaphor that Rev. Diane has used in recent worship services, finding ourselves in the desert, wandering through the desert, and starting to emerge from the desert. It will be good to be with other UUs who are more than 2000 miles distant, to know that we are not alone in these challenging times. Facilitated by [Ginger Allen](#), Director of Family Ministries, UU Church of the Palouse, and our own [Gail Sphar](#) and [Marguerite Mills](#).

Spiritual Practices with Rev. Diane

1st and 3rd Wednesdays, April, May, and June, 7-8 p.m.

1st Wednesdays in person, Fireside Room

3rd Wednesdays via Zoom: <https://zoom.us/j/93264549091>

(one practice per month, once in person and once via Zoom)

Everything is changing. Again. Still. Join Rev. Diane to explore how we as Unitarian Universalists might sustain and nurture ourselves with a variety of spiritual practices. A specific practice will be featured each month, with the opportunity to participate in person or virtually. April will be Lectio Divina, May will be Lament and Intent, and June will be Gratitude Six Ways.

See firstuunash.org/faith-development/ for more Faith Development.

Multigenerational Project: As we reopen for in-person worship services and, at least for now, Sunday school continues on Zoom, we plan to offer one multigenerational in-person event per month. Much of the plans are yet to be determined, but we are looking forward to seeing folx in person! Watch for updates and/or email us for information: Marguerite Mills, Director of Lifespan Religious Education MMills@firstuunash.org and Caleb Hampton, Religious Education Administrator REAdmin@firstuunash.org.

The March Multigenerational Project will be *Sunday, March 20, 11 a.m., or when the worship service ends*. This will be in an indoor space to be determined. A project to be determined—art-related, social justice-serving, something else—that is yet to be determined. Read next week's bulletin for details.

Mountain Summer Camp Registration is open. The Mountain is a retreat, camp, and learning center that celebrates UU principles, inspires people of all ages, transforms lives, and builds a more compassionate world. See TheMountainRLC.org for details. FUUN has camperships that may be applied for by contacting [Dan Hiller](#) (directly or via MMills@firstuunash.org).

Join Us on the Playground: There will be no Zoom for preK through 8th grade on *Sunday, March 13* due to Spring Break/scheduling conflicts. We invite you to join us for the in-person *Sunday worship service at 10 a.m.* There will be a Learning Table in the back of the sanctuary, and of course, you may also enjoy the service as a family. After worship, weather permitting, we will go to the playground.



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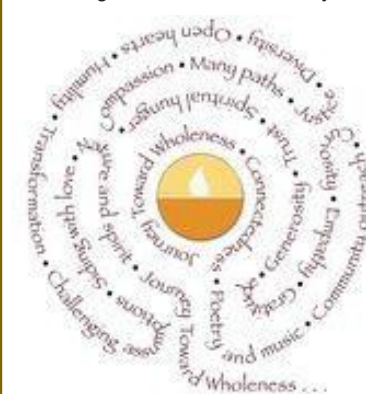
Nominations are being accepted for the Virginia Grantham Service Award: See firstuunash.org/grantham-award for more information

and to submit a nomination *by Monday, May 18*.

Congregational Climate Convergence: *March 22*. All congregational lay leaders and religious professionals passionate about climate justice, join Side with Love, Green Sanctuary 2030, and UU Ministry for Earth for a day of community nourishment, resource sharing, and skill-building to support your local eco ministries. Register today. See firstuunash.org/climate-convergence.

Endowment Trustees are now accepting grant applications for special projects. Grant guidelines can be found in our archives and more information can be found at firstuunash.org/endowment/. All grant requests should be submitted *by March 31* online at firstuunash.org/endowment-grant-application/ or via email to trust@thefuun.org. The Trustees will review submissions and award the grants at our Annual Congregational meeting in June. Applicants are encouraged to contact the Trustees with any questions.

FUUN's 2022-23 Stewardship Campaign Begins March 20: Our annual stewardship campaign kicks off *Sunday, March 20*. We come together at this time of year to share in the abundance that is



present in our vibrant community. As Rev. Diane preached, we are all part of a **Power Collective** that we both give to and draw from. When everyone plugs into our Power Collective and shares generously, the amount of power available to the whole community increases exponentially.

Renewal is a common thread running throughout our congregation these days. To reflect that, our theme for this year's campaign is "**Renewing the Journey**." Soon it will be time to renew your financial commitment to your FUUN community. Please think about your contribution to our "Power Collective" and the many ways it will help our light shine even brighter.

—Richard Bird, Chair of the Stewardship Committee