

April 26, 2025

Rev. Tom Bozeman, our guidance Minister will be visiting the weekend of May 31-June 1. He plans to try to meet and greet every member of our congregation during that weekend.



This week's Adult Forum: Will begin at 9:05 this week only!!

Bob Priddy, “Missouri Steamships”. Bob will speak about plans to excavate the Steamship Malta as well as a possible Steamship Arabia museum in Missouri.

Next week's Forum: Marissa Peterson, Aging Best. “Mental Health and Senior Citizens”. Marissa will address the many changes which occur over the years, and how to deal with them.

This week's sermon: *The Practice of Joy by Reverend Ed Brock*

My sermon this Sunday follows the theme of the month for our Soul Matters groups, which is “The Practice of Joy.” It may seem counter to the spirit of our times to speak about joy. Our current political and social context does not inspire joy but rather the opposite. However, at any given moment, many things around us have the potential to inspire joy. What is needed, perhaps, is the intention to notice these things and allow them to nurture us. And don't we need joy in our lives to sustain us in the difficult, and sometimes hard, challenges of life? I think that is what is meant by the practice of joy – joy requires our inclination, willingness, and perhaps persistence, to take in the joy of life wherever we may find it and as often as we may find it.

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=pXRVPb-1Cu4&list=PLI2vdN2Nrc7cJ3wjR_mJYGX4LhXeXGUYL&index=2

UU Moment: A Spirituality Rooted in Wonder / Rev. David Schwartz

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=O7ZV-hqZG6Y&t=6s>

Annual Meeting May 18, 2025

We will be voting on our board members and a proposed change to our by-laws.

That change would be increasing our board from five members to seven members.

Please plan to attend the meeting.

Children's Religious Education - 10:30 am

Children attending in-person are welcome to join RE Instructor Dr Samantha Porter for a lesson during the service hour. This month's theme: Joy

Lunch After Services

Please join us for lunch after the service. This week's lunch is at Prison Brews.

This Week's Joys and Concerns:

If you have a joy or concern that you would like to have read during a service or shared in our weekly email, please submit it by noon on the Friday before through our website: <http://uufjc.org/joys--concerns.html>

We will also have paper forms available Sunday morning for submissions. Submissions made after noon on Friday may not be read or shared until the following week.

Book Club

Chair Yoga with Alberta
Every Tuesday
@ 11 am
by donation

The May Intergenerational Classical Book Study is *Siddhartha* by Hermann Hesse. The group will meet in the Forum Room on May 11 at 2pm; join us for an invigorating hour.

Caring Committee

Contact Lorraine Connelly at: lauraine329@gmail.com for assistance.

Blessings Always,
Mary Jo LaCorte
Administrator

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