

UUFJC Weekly News - April 11, 2026

For all those wishing for a “live” speaker, this is YOUR Sunday! Dr Marlene Bricker will be visiting from the St Louis area to speak at our forum and give the sermon.

This week’s forum: - Dr Marlene Bricker, “Embracing Possibility”

Next week’s forum: - Betty Cooper, Earth Day & Arbor Day

This week’s Sermon - “Awaken Again..And Again..” Dr Marlene Bricker
Dr Marlene Bricker was the spiritual leader of a Unity Spiritual Center and has a long history of teaching, sales, and entrepreneurship, and an MA of Ed in Guidance & Counseling. When she found the world of Metaphysics, her life changed. She has studied many philosophies and is always seeking her own truth and beliefs. Her desire is to leave the world a little bit better than she found it. She is here to counsel, pray, and assist humanity to seek their own truth and live a life of peace & love.

This week’s UU Moment - "Love at the Center", by Rev. Paige Getty
What do Unitarian Universalists believe in? What does "love at the center" mean? The Rev. Paige Getty reflects on these big topics in this excerpt from her sermon. Unitarian Universalist Congregation of Columbia, MD, Apr 12, 2024
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=W2Q3HoK1fyo>

Children attending in-person are welcome to join RE Instructor Dr Samantha Porter for a lesson during the service hour. April’s Theme: Embracing Possibility.

Lunch After Services- Please join us for lunch after the service this week at Panera Bread.

This Week's Joys & 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.

Litter Pickup

Saturday, April 18, 2026,
9 AM @ Parking Lot of Freshwater Church
2500 Tanner Bridge Place
Bring gloves & sun hat

Please contact Barb Koenig if you plan to attend @
bkoenig21905waltz@yahoo.com

Or
573-662-9837
(Weather makeup 4/25/26)

Intergenerational Book Club
The Diary of Anne Frank
by Anne Frank

Join us for stimulating conversation

April 12, 2026 at 2 pm

Chair Yoga
Tuesdays - 11 AM
By Donation

Meditation Group
Meets
Every Wednesday
7 pm

UUUJC Annual Meeting

Sunday, May 31

Voting (by members) will take place to elect our
2026-27 Board of Directors

****We will be voting to change our Affirmation of Covenant from
Love is the doctrine of this (Church)
To
Love is the doctrine of this Community**

**Our Board of Directors
Will remain the same although we will take
Nominations from the members.**

Women's Weekend 2026

To all UU members and friends who identify at the female end of the spectrum--You are cordially invited to attend Eliot UU Chapel's (St. Louis, MO) Women's Weekend 2026! Please join us on May 15, 16 & 17 at Toddhall Retreat Center in Columbia, Illinois, to retreat, relax, and find community among other women.

Workshops include personal labyrinths, A Course in Miracles, stained glass tee shirts, meditation, and beginning tap dancing! There will also be a nature walk, a percussion circle, other art activities, a bonfire, massage therapists, and a whole lot of community! Choose to attend Saturday only, Friday evening through Saturday, or Friday evening through early Sunday morning. Registration is open now through April 12, 2026. Visit us online at eliotwomensweekend.com. Questions? Please email womensweekend@eliotchapel.org. We'd love to see you there!

CREATE CLIMATE JUSTICE
"The Green Sanctuary "

"Why would our congregation want to become a hub of climate resilience?"

Here are a few examples:

*We move with justice in mind so our whole community will make it through whatever climate disruption brings our way.

*We work with love at the center so our communities will experience the love and interdependence that our UU faith has to offer.

*Because it is the right thing to do.

Barb Koenig and Rick Andris collect litter along both sides of Highway 179 between Tanner Bridge Rd and Christy Dr every spring and fall. Barb says that she has been doing this since 1996!!! MODOT supplies, litter bags and vests.

If this seems like the perfect time for you to jump in and participate.

APRIL IS EARTH MONTH AND APRIL 18th is EARTH DAY

Meet at 9:00am and park at the Fresh Water church, 2500 Tanner Bridge Place

Blessed be

Joan Kurtzeborn

C.U.U.P.S.

Covenant of UU Pagans

**Meets every 3rd Tuesday of the
month**

@ the Fellowship

**Contact Kurt Groner for more
information**

573-469-8240

Drum Circle

**will meet the 2nd
Monday of the
month from 7-8 pm
Next meeting is
April 13.**

Caring Committee

Contact Mary Jo LaCorte at: uufjc1@gmail.com for assistance.

Blessings Always,

Mary Jo LaCorte
UUFJC Administrator

For more events, see our online calendars:

[UUFJC Events](#)

[Community Events](#)

[Virtual Gatherings.](#)

[Building Use \(other\)](#)

[And visit us online at http://uufjc.org/](http://uufjc.org/)

[Affiliated Events](#)

[Religious Education](#)

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