



## April Services

April Services Theme: **Salvation / Wholeness**

April 7, 10:30 am — *Dr. Lise Deguire*

### “From Tragedy to Wellness: Reflections on Resilience”

Dr. Lise Deguire, clinical psychologist, will share her life story as a childhood burn survivor, thoughts on how she overcame this trauma, and ideas on how to support resilient wellness in ourselves and others.

*Dr. Lise Deguire is a clinical psychologist practicing in Pennington, NJ. At the age of four, she was third-degree burned on 65% of her body as the result of both maternal and corporate negligence. Against the odds, she lived through this injury, beginning decades of treatment as a burn survivor. She endured countless surgeries, extended hospital stays and while at school, faced loneliness, ostracism and bullying. She grew up in a dysfunctional family with two narcissistic parents and lost four members of her family to suicide. Despite all of these life challenges, Dr. Deguire has forged a triumphant path towards love, health and life satisfaction. She is the author of “Flashback Girl: Lessons on Resilience from a Burn Survivor”, her soon to be published memoir. She is happily married and the mother of two college-aged daughters. You can follow Dr. Deguire’s blog on resilience at <https://www.lisedeguire.com/blog>*



April 14, 10:30 am — *Janet and Rich Kelly*  
**Annual Passover Seder**

#### Multi-Gen Service

An annual tradition now in its 8th year, please join us for UUFLB’s annual Passover Seder. You don’t have to be Jewish to find meaning in this holiday. It is a metaphor for all who strive to be free (UUCA Haggadah) and it embraces our 6th principle – the goal of world community with peace, liberty, and justice for all. Our morning will include the Passover story, singing, and dancing followed by a traditional Passover meal. We will begin at our usual 10:30 time but will meet in the cafeteria for this special service for all ages. All are welcome.

*Janet and Rich Kelly have been members and contributors to UUFLB for many years. Janet holds close her Jewish roots and both Janet and Rich enjoy sharing Jewish traditions with their UUFLB family. We are honored to have her organize and conduct this service with husband Rich’s help yet again.*

April 21, 10:30 amv

— *Reverend Jennifer Kelleher, MDiv*

### “Collective Liberation: An Easter Service of Reflection and Celebration”

Aboriginal activists in Queensland, Australia along with artist and academic, Lilla Watson are credited with creating the saying: “If you have come to help me, you are wasting your time, but if you have come because your liberation is bound up with mine, then let us work together.” On this day people around the world commemorate the death of

Jesus Christ, we gather to remember the teachings inherent in the life he lived, especially his solidarity with oppressed peoples. Our Universalist heritage urges us to not forget: we are not free until everyone is free.

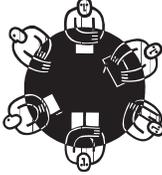
*A lifelong UU, Reverend Jennifer Kelleher grew up within an inter-faith family in Massachusetts. Jennifer served as a parish minister for congregations in New Jersey for 7 years. She also held the role of chaplain for a level one trauma hospital in Philadelphia. She currently serves a rites of passage ministry as an officiant for weddings, child dedications and memorial services. Jennifer is passionate about Unitarian Universalism and the faith continues to transform her life. UU communities have long supported and challenged her to be her best self. She especially enjoys working alongside other UU’s to nurture and spread our resounding message of love, hope and healing.*

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## Our Vision

UUFLB supports spiritual, intellectual and emotional growth in a diverse congregation of all ages and beliefs. We reach out to everyone with love and acceptance to better ourselves and the world.

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
	<b>1</b>	<b>2</b> 7:30–9 pm Board Meeting 	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b> 12 pm–12:45 pm RE Meeting  7:00 pm First Friday Fun Night 	<b>6</b> 9 am Serenity Garden Planting @ Livingrin
<b>7</b> “From Tragedy to Wellness: Reflections on Resilience” Dr. Lise Deguire Dads/Grads Gift Card orders Basket Fundraiser <b>DRAWING</b> Family Services Breakfast 7-8:30 am	<b>8</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>10</b>  7:00 pm We Care Team Meeting	<b>11</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>13</b>
<b>14</b> “Annual Passover Seder” Janet & Rich Kelly  Dads/Grads Gift Card orders  PALM SUNDAY	<b>15</b>  <b>MAY Newsletter DEADLINE</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>17</b>   FULL MOON	<b>18</b>	<b>19</b>  7:30 pm Book Discussion “Vanishing Acts” by Jodi Picoult	<b>20</b> 11:30 am Social Action Club
<b>21</b> “Collective Liberation...” Reverend Jennifer Kelleher, MDiv Dads/Grads Gift Card orders Family Services Breakfast 7-8:30 am  EASTER SUNDAY	<b>22</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>27</b>
<b>28</b> “Through Love and in Love: Pondering Sin & Salvation” Mark Bernstein Dads/Grads Gift Card orders <b>DUE</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>30</b>	<h1>April 2019</h1>		 © 2017 Priscilla Applegate	

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**Worship Services**  
Pen Ryn School  
235 South Olds Blvd.  
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10:30am Sunday  
Sept. to mid-June

## April Services

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### April 28, 10:30 am — Mark Bernstein “Through Love and In Love: Pondering Sin and Salvation”

In traditional Christian theology, salvation is the deliverance from the penalty of sin. One who has sinned is saved from the wrath of God by having faith and trust in the Lord Jesus. Unitarian Universalists do not subscribe to these beliefs. What does it mean, though, in our Faith Tradition, to sin and to be saved? How do the concepts of sin and salvation impact on our lives as UUs and in our relationships with the world?

*Mark Bernstein is a member of the Adjunct Staff of the Central East Region of the UUA. He has been a grateful member of the Unitarian Universalist Church of Delaware County in Media, PA for the past 25 years.*



## What's Up With Worship?

We will continue with the monthly Touchstones. This year's overarching theme is “Let Your Life Speak” and our monthly themes will encourage you to listen to your life as a way of shaping your days and guiding your personal journey. We are excited to share the April sermon topic of “Salvation & Wholeness” which is the next building block on top of January through March subjects of Grace, Surrender and Letting Go, and Truth. From our Touchstones summary, Salvation is understood as wholeness and health. Parker Palmer suggests that revealing, claiming, and nurturing our hidden wholeness is our life's work and the path to salvation in this life.

*Sherri Crisenbery, Worship Team Leader*



## Pledge Sunday Report

March 10 was a trifecta for low attendance: It was “spring forward” day, raining, and Pledge Sunday. Those of you who opted for an extra hour of sleep missed Gil Crisenbery's service and a wonderful lunch provided by the UUFLB Board of Trustees. After our treasurer, Suzanne Brunnengraber, handed out pledge packets and everyone filled their plates with delicious food, Suzanne and I, Jodi Thompson, spoke to those in attendance.

We decided to share our thoughts here in the newsletter, as well.

First, Suzanne spoke.

“Thank you for attending Pledge Sunday. Please make sure you get your pledge packet that contains documents you will want to review regarding the 2019/2020 (June 2019 thru May 2020) budget. We will be collecting the pledge responses during the next two weeks. Earlier this year the Board met with some members of the Building Committee. They brought up a valid point that people don't know what it costs to keep things functioning, so as a follow up to that discussion I would like to share with you the general costs associated with one regular Sunday service:

Speaker \$250.00

Music accompanist \$100.00

Rent to Pen Ryn for use of the building is \$155.00 plus an additional \$150.00 when the heat is turned on and if it snows on a Saturday night and the snow needs to be removed for service, we are charged for the snow removal. In addition, there are the costs for the RE class,

Touchstones and babysitters for the nursery which brings the total amount for one regular Sunday service to approximately \$700.00.

Please keep these numbers in mind when considering your pledge and please know that all pledges, great and small, are truly appreciated. Thank you for your time and attention.”

*Suzanne Brunnengraber, Treasurer*

Then I spoke.

“I want to tell you a story about change. I was born in 1960. I didn't realize then that as a girl, I was less than. But by law, I was. In the '60s women weren't allowed to have credit in their own name. They weren't allowed to keep their jobs if they became pregnant. They didn't have agency over their bodies in many ways. They weren't even allowed to run in the Boston Marathon.

There has been great change, not perfect yet, but much better. Much of the change happened without my awareness. I was busy living my life. However many others dedicated their time, energies, comfort, freedom, and wealth to creating equality for women.

Recently we celebrated the International Day of Women. I watched in the office cafeteria a group of young women from India taking selfies together. They were excited to post their proud pics on social media for their family in India to see how well they were doing.

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## We welcome your newsletter submissions!

**The May Fellowship News deadline is Monday, April 15.** If you'd like your article, announcement, or other written work to appear in the May newsletter, please e-mail your submission by Monday, April 15. If you have any questions, please see Priscilla Applegate or e-mail: [newsletter@uufb.org](mailto:newsletter@uufb.org)



## Pledge Sunday Report

They didn't take their status as women working in the United States for granted.

What does this have to do with Pledge Sunday?

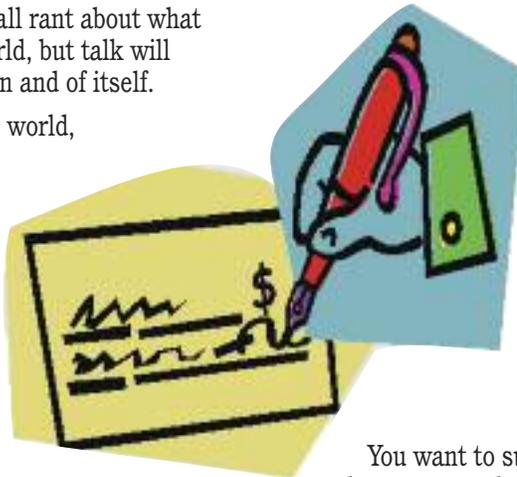
Let me tell you.

One of my sisters is 12 years older than I am. She also doesn't take for granted girls access to athletics that came with Title 9, or women being able to buy a house or work up to and after having a baby. She told me a story recently about meeting Gloria Steinem. I'll tell this from my sister's voice:

"It was probably around 1971. In Bucks County, a group of determined feminists were starting a NOW chapter in the Philadelphia and Bucks County areas. One of the women from the Main Line held a fundraiser for NOW at her private home and Gloria was the featured guest.

"She was, as I remember, as dynamic, compassionate, and intelligent as we all had expected her to be. Her talk was about priorities. Gloria said:

- "Anyone can talk the talk... we can all rant about what changes we want to make in the world, but talk will not necessarily bring about change in and of itself.
- "If you want to make changes to the world, to whatever, check in with your priorities. And the first and best way to do that is to look at your checkbook. (In those days that is what people predominately used to handle their money.)
- "She had us take out our checkbooks. She pointed out that the evening was a fundraiser and it would be lovely if we 'kept our checkbooks out and chose to use them,' but the issue was: Do we take our passions seriously?
- "She asked us to look at the last 20 checks we had written. Those checks would tell us, with an uncritical eye, what our priorities really are. They spoke louder than our words.
- "Were our checks for clothing, decorating, entertainment? If none of those checks were written to finance or enable a cause we were claiming to be committed to, then we needed to check our honesty to ourselves.
- "Were our checks all used to pay bills (not overly large credit card bills for fancy extras, but for the real bills of just living our lives) and no money was left in the account to finance or enable a cause we were claiming to be committed to? Then perhaps we needed to examine how we were using our time. If truly we were in financial situations that precluded us from even giving \$5 a week to our cause – "be honest here folks," I remember her saying – then we needed to honor our words with time and deeds to further our cause.



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- "How we spend our money is a clear reflection on the kind of character we possess – no matter how rich or how poor – and all the words in the world cannot rationalize our refusal to put our money to what we claim to be important to us."

After her talk, Gloria did say – "now choose whether to put your checkbooks away or..."

It was very effective. No one was about to put their checkbooks away!"

My sister's story stayed with me. I've always believed that how you spend your money, your time, your energy, was in indicator of your values. It was amazing to hear from the past that Gloria Steinem believed so, too.

So I'd like to close with these words from John Wolfe, minister emeritus of All Souls Unitarian Church in Tulsa, Oklahoma, who wrote:

"There is only one reason for joining a UU Church. That is to support it. You want to support it because it stands against superstition and fear. Because it points to what's noblest and best in human life. Because it is open to men and women of whatever race, creed, color, or national origin.

You want to support a UU Church because it has a free pulpit. Because you can hear ideas expressed there which would cost any other minister his or her job. You want to support it because it is a place where children can come without being saddled with guilt or terrified of some 'celestial peeping Tom,' where they can learn that religion is for joy, comfort, for gratitude and love.

You want to support it because it is a place where walls between people are torn down rather than built up. Because it is a place for the religious displaced persons of our time, the refugees from mixed marriages, the unwanted freethinkers and those who insist against orthodoxy that they must work out their own beliefs.

You want to support a Unitarian Universalist Church because it is more concerned with human beings than with dogmas. Because it searches for the holy, rather than dwells upon the depraved. Because it calls no one a sinner, yet knows how deep is the struggle and how great is the hunger for what is good.

You want to support a Unitarian Universalist Church because it can laugh...because it insults neither your intelligence nor your conscience, and because it calls you to worship what is truly worthy of your sacrifice..."

Thank you for supporting our UU congregation. Please be sure to return your pledge card to Suzanne, me, or any trustee."  
(Mary Beth Hartmann, Janet Kelly, and Andrew Pudzianowski).

Jodi Thompson, President



## Focus on RE

### Nurturing the Call — Entering the R.E. Credentialing Program

Have you noticed that I have a lot of fun on Sunday mornings?

I hope so, because I really do; I love

my job. As we finish up my second year as your DRE, I feel much better equipped to plan programs that are going to work well for our Fellowship, much more aware of individual and group needs, and so grateful for the relationships that have developed over the past two years. I'm kinda hooked!

It's true; my dedication to UUFLB and the profession is strong, and that's why I am planning on entering the Religious Education Credentialing Program (RECP) offered by the UUA. The RECP is a comprehensive, three-level, professional development program for UU Religious Educators.

The level at which I will be entering ("credentialed," or the middle level) requires participation in 5 Renaissance Modules — these are multi-session workshops on a variety of R.E.- related issues, as well as an extensive reading list including over 30 books with written responses in 11 "lenses" or areas of focus (for example Human and Faith Development, Sexual Health, Sources, UU History...), several essays, recommendations, and more.

There are several benefits to the congregation with credentialing, the gist of which mostly boil down to stronger programs across the board. From the time I enter the credentialing program, I will have two years to complete it. I am so excited about the opportunity to strengthen my skills to serve you to the very best of my ability.

It's a big commitment and a boatload of work, but I plan to use my summers wisely, and I know the support of this loving community will help me through when things get tough. What a blessing it is to me to work with such a wonderful community!

Angela Konin, DRE



## Brick by Brick

"If you dream it, you can do it." — *Walt Disney*

For many years this Fellowship has had a dream – a building of our own. Now is the time to do it!

We need to begin by putting money in the building fund, so that when the perfect building comes along we have the money to buy it. If we don't have enough money to buy it, we need to show that we are capable of raising the money.

To do this it is important to increase our funds on a regular basis. We need your help. "Deepening Our Roots" is a way to put money into the building fund without having the sting of one large bill. You can choose how you would like to give – on a weekly or monthly basis.



It is easy to have your bank make out the check and send it on a regular basis to the Fellowship. Be sure to have them write, "Deepening Our Roots" or "Building Fund" on the memo line. Since you can choose any amount of money that feels good to you, together we can get the building we need. Joining this program is easy by filling out the green form that is on the Greeter's table each Sunday.

Whether or not you choose to support "Deepening Our Roots", a great way to honor or thank someone is by making a one-time donation to the building fund. These one-time donations can be for birthdays, anniversaries, to thank someone for a kind act, or in memory of a friend or relative. When making these donations be sure to indicate that the money is for the building fund. to write "building fund" on the memo line of your check.

Nancy Lesh, Building Team





# UUFLB's Annual Potluck Passover Seder

Sunday, April 14, 10:30 am

This celebration will be held in the cafeteria where we'll share a full Seder, including the Passover story, singing, and dancing, followed by a traditional Passover meal.

Please RSVP with family name and number attending for the Passover meal to Janet or Rich Kelly by Sunday, April 7.

Please indicate how many will attend and what type of dish you will be bringing (Recipes will be available in the cafeteria.)

Cash donations can be made in lieu of a dish. All are welcome. You don't have to be Jewish to find meaning in this holiday. It is a metaphor for all who strive to be free (UUCA Haggadah) and embraces the sixth UU principle, the goal of world community

with peace, liberty, and justice for all. The collection will go to the Bucks Coalition Against Trafficking (BCAT) Network of Victim Assistance.

## Passover Guidelines

The most important thing about the food is DON'T STRESS. We don't need to follow the letter of the law but if we keep a few basic things in mind, we will have an authentic experience.

- NO BREAD
- NO NOODLES
- NO CAKE
- Eggs are ok
- NO PORK
- NO SHELLFISH
- DON'T MIX MILK AND CHEESE WITH MEAT

Every food store has a Kosher aisle where you can buy gefilte fish in jars or cans, matzo, matzo ball mix, matzo meal and farfal (matzoh pieces) to make casseroles with. You can also buy prepared Passover desserts and candy.

The absolute best place to go for Passover food is ShopRite either on Roosevelt Blvd in Philadelphia or Lawrenceville NJ. These ShopRites have entire freezer cases full of prepared Passover casseroles. (Thanks to Colleen for that tip).

Check out, "The Kosher Experience" at ShopRite of Lawrenceville NJ (Mercer Mall) Route 1 South and Quakerbridge

ShopRite in Pennsylvania:  
1100 Roosevelt Blvd, Phila, Pa. 19116

## Passover Sample Menu

*Starters:*

- Salad (Remember NO croutons)
- Raw carrots, celery, matzo crackers with guacamole
- Vegetarian faux chopped liver
- Real Chopped liver
- Deviled Eggs or Egg salad
- Charoset (apples, walnuts, and wine mixture)
- Gefilte fish
- Matzo Ball Soup

*Sides:*

- Rosemary potatoes
- Apple matzo kugel
- Winter squash with apricot stuffing
- Spinach kugel
- Carrot tzimmes

*Main Dish:*

- Chicken
- Salmon
- Turkey
- Brisket

*Dessert:*

- Macaroons
- Fruit Salad
- Flour-less chocolate cake

## New Name?

At the Table-Talk Sunday Service that was held on February 24th, one of the topics discussed was whether or not we should change the name of our Fellowship in order to attract more non-UU members.

It was pointed out that the amount of money we take in from our annual pledges has been getting lower each year. Leadership burnout continues to be a big problem. It is obvious that we could use an infusion of new members!

At the last UUFLB Board of Trustees meeting on March 6, the Board created a committee to find out how all of our members feel about a name change and what would be involved in changing the name.

The first meeting of the Name Change Committee will be on Thursday, April 11 at the Fellowship Center.

It will be a short, one hour meeting from 7 pm to 8 pm so hopefully a lot of folks will be able to show up and express their thoughts and ideas!

## WANTED: ADMINISTRATOR

Our UUFLB administrator for the last 11 years, Amy Rodia, is leaving the position at the end of May. Amy has been amazing in this position, giving far more than we could expect. Now we must find a new admin.

Applicants for this half-time position should send a resume & cover letter to [trustees@uuflb.org](mailto:trustees@uuflb.org) through April 30. Please contact the board if you have questions or would like to participate in the search.

## Adult Enrichment

    **First Friday Fun Night:**  
Friday, April 7, 7:00 pm



**Book Discussion: Friday, April 19,**  
7:30 pm *Vanishing Acts* by Jodi Picoult



**Book Discussion: Friday, May 17,**  
7:30 pm *Blindness* by Jose Saramago

**All activities take place at the Fellowship Center unless otherwise noted.**

Important: Call the host/hostess or the Fellowship Center to be included in the above activities. Remember that each host, hostess, or activity coordinator has taken time preparing for these events. If your plans change and you cannot attend, please call as early as you can to cancel. Thank you.



## The Greater Philly UU Cluster (GPC)

The Greater Philly UU Cluster (GPC) is comprised of 14 nearby UU congregations and is actively connecting these congregations to share our message, grow our faith and strengthen our congregations. Check out our GPC google calendar [www.greaterphillyuu.org/calendar](http://www.greaterphillyuu.org/calendar) to attend events at the other cluster congregations.

**Film: "King in the Wilderness", Friday, April 5, 7:15 pm at Unitarian Society of Germantown**  
An HBO documentary chronicles the final three years of Rev. Martin Luther King's life. Based on interviews of friends and colleagues in the Movement, it features the pressures on King as he addressed problems in the North and as he endured the criticisms and doubts from many sides about his core philosophy of non-violent direct action and about his decision to come out forcefully against the Vietnam War. Free admission. A discussion will follow moderated by one of the activists featured in the documentary: Rev. Richard Fernandez. For more information: [dbrunn@verizon.net](mailto:dbrunn@verizon.net)

**Singers Workshop April 13, 12:30 – 5 pm**  
Unitarian Universalist Church of Delaware County. Join us for a day of singing and fellowship with area UUs. The workshop will include group singing and specialized sessions. Each session will tackle one subject pertaining to singing. Participants will learn exercises/repertoire to increase vocal abilities. All abilities and talents welcome! Register by April 6. <http://www.greaterphillyuu.org/events/sngerworkshop/>

**New Hope Celebrates Pride Parade May 18, 11:30 am – 1 pm**  
Our congregations have been participating in this parade for the past 7 years, and have enjoyed joining other faiths as we walk to affirm and promote the inherent worth and dignity of every person. If you, or your congregation would like to join us, please contact us in advance at [welcoming@uuflb.org](mailto:welcoming@uuflb.org) or find us in the staging area by 11:00 am on the day of the parade. For more info, visit: <http://www.greaterphillyuu.org/events/new-hope-celebrates-pride-parade-2019/>

**SAVE THE DATE: GPC Summit, October 19, 10:00 am - 3:00 pm, Main Line Unitarian Church**  
Leaders, Ministers, Staff, and Members of the 14 congregations of the GPC are invited to attend to explore and determine the organizational structure and future of the Cluster. Mark Bernstein will facilitate the meeting, and Pat Infante will provide an overview of regionalization/clusters. For more details and to register, visit: <http://www.greaterphillyuu.org/events/gpc-summit/>

Check out the Cluster website [www.greaterphillyuu.org](http://www.greaterphillyuu.org) for more information and get connected with your fellow UU's!



## We Care and the Caring Committee

April 6 @ 9 am

Serenity Garden  
Planting and Garden  
Adventure coming up  
at Livingrin!

Mark your calendars!

Our WeCare outing is scheduled for Saturday, April 6 at 9 am. to help Livingrin clean up and prepare their Serenity Garden. Be prepared to get a little dirty. This is a fun "all ages" event.

So what is Livingrin anyway? From their website:



"Livingrin is the Philadelphia region's largest and most respected addiction treatment and rehab center offering a full range of detox, inpatient, outpatient and specialty services for drug, alcohol and other substance abuse dependencies."

Maybe you or someone you know got help here. Livingrin is an organization that has had a definite beneficial effect in peoples lives in the Bensalem area. We are looking forward to checking out their Serenity Gardens and making our own impact. Come join us!

### Split Plates

Make sure to see the photo of Evelyn presenting Lynn at the Bristol Food Bank with a check for \$354 from the Christmas Eve collection and two \$50 Giant Cards from the cash bucket collection during a delivery of lots of collected food from February food donations. In other split plate news we collected \$247 in December for Bucks County Housing Group and in January we gave Welcoming The Stranger \$240. This was thanks to you! What a great heart we have.

### Food Bank – Bring in a can, a bag, or cash

Have you ever come to service and forgot to bring some food for those in need? Almost all of you have. I know I've been guilty at times regrettably. Take heart! Have no fear! There is a solution!

We have instituted a bucket for any and all cash contributions. With the money that goes in the bucket, we will purchase food using Giant cards purchased through the UUFLB. So, this way the Fellowship benefits as well. WE all win if you throw something in the bucket! Be part of the solution...give a little.

### First and Third Sundays at the Homeless Shelter is "The Breakfast Club"!

The Breakfast Club is the only group to provide hot breakfasts at the shelter. We do this 2 times a month on the first and third Sunday every month if enough people sign up. It takes 3 to 4 people to make this work.



We make delicious breakfasts usually including pancakes, breakfast meat, and 2 types of eggs. Fresh fruit is also available. Come join the crew. Our meals are always appreciated and we have a great time!

Interested in becoming a volunteer? See Bernie Griga or Rich Kelly for more information. The homeless shelter is run by Family Services of Bucks County. <http://www.fsabc.org/>

### The We Care Team:

The We Care Committee consists of Kathleen Dorian, Bill Appleton, Bernie Griga, Amanda Geiss, and Rich Kelly with Janet Kelly as board liaison.

Have an idea or a cause to pursue or just want to attend our meetings? Contact Rich Kelly or Bernie Griga if you have questions or comments, or if you wish to volunteer or come to a meeting. New participants are always welcome.

*Rich Kelly, We Care Team Leader*



# Central East Region

Many of you may not know that the JPD Board continued to work hard these past several years to make sure that safeguards were in place for our congregations before it dissolved.

I am deeply grateful for their commitment and efforts. Peace, Amy Nothelfer, Greater Philly UU

*Speaking on behalf of the Joseph Priestley Board of Directors, it has been our honor and privilege to serve you during the transition to regionalization. This process began many years ago when we entered into a planning process along with leaders from the three other former districts in the Central East Region of the Unitarian Universalist Association and UUA administrative and elected leadership. Now our work and this process is complete.*

*During this time of transition, we have ensured that the congregations of the Joseph Priestley District would continue to receive the high level of services from the Central East Region that we had come to know from the District. We have ensured that designated funds will continue to serve our congregations in the manner in which they were intended. And we are satisfied that sustainable governance linkage systems are in place that allow for congregations to communicate freely with the UUA Board of Trustees.*

*At the 2016 District Assembly, you voted to affirm our ability to dissolve the Joseph Priestley District at such a time as the Board felt was appropriate. That time has now come. We have discharged our final duties. Our congregations are in good hands. And it is time for us to say goodbye.*

*As individuals, we will each serve our congregations and the wider UUA in different ways. You are already served by your primary contact from the Central East Region for program concerns. Should you have governance concerns, you are invited to contact the UUA Board of Trustees directly. A full list of trustees and contact information is available on the UUA BOT web page: <https://www.uua.org/uuagovernance/board/liaisons>*

*We officially dissolved the Joseph Priestley District at our final board meeting on March 8, 2019. Onward with the Central East Region.*

*In faith,  
Dr. Dennis Wellnitz, President, Joseph Priestley District*

2019 Members of the Joseph Priestley District Board:  
Susan Bennett, Madelyn Campbell, Greg Gaul, Keith Goheen, Christian Hartranft, Carla Johnson,  
Paul Pinson, Justis Tuia, Carol Carter Walker, Dennis Wellnitz  
District Executive: David Pyle



**2-10-19 UUFLB Muusic Makers**



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Sunday Service is 10:30 a.m.  
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Childcare and Youth Religious  
Education are provided.

## Our Mission

UUFLB provides dynamic services, relevant lifespan  
Religious Education, and effective and focused  
community outreach in an atmosphere that respects  
the individual and supports the community at large.

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