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Today At Our Fellowship Thursday, July 2, 2026

This Week @ AUUF

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5:30 – 7:00 pm Anti-Racism Team
Meeting Library & Zoom

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Sanctuary
4:00 – 5:30 pm Anchorage Friends
Meeting Sanctuary & Social Room
5:00 – 9:00 pm Sunday Solidarity- All are
Welcome Social Room

Monday, July 6

Tuesday, July 7

*2:00 – 4:00 pm Knitting Group
Room 7
4:30 – 6:30 pm Forum Planning

Wednesday, July 8

6:00 – 8:00 pm Safer Congregation Team
on Zoom

Thursday, July 9

2:00 – 3:00 pm UU HR Meeting

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Room 7
2 – 3:30 pm Hungry Book Club
Upstairs Library
6:30 – 8:00 pm Fire Pit Chat

Wednesday, July 15

6:30 – 9:00 pm Board of Directors
Meeting - In Person (Zoom-Contact Don)

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Wednesday, July 22

WhaleCoast guests arrive in Anchorage

Thursday, July 23

9:00 am – 8:30 pm WhaleCoast Set-Up
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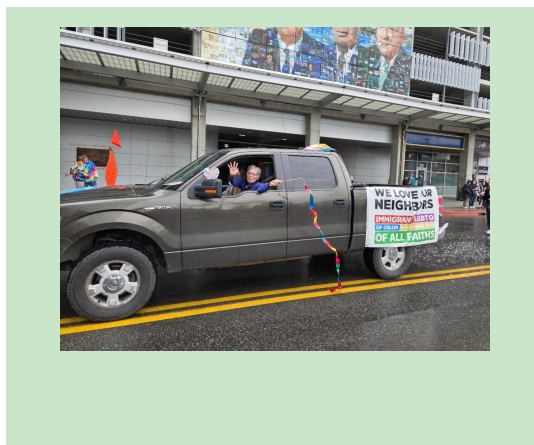
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Today At Our Fellowship

Thursday, July 23, 2026

This Week @ AUUF

Thursday, July 23

*9:00 am – 8:30pm WhaleCoast Set-Up
and Banquet

Friday, July 24

*12:00 – 2:00 pm Freethinkers in Person
Room 7

Saturday, July 25

8:30 – 10:30 am AA-Slap Happy Group at
AUUF Social Room

Sunday, July 26

*9:00 – 10:15 am The Forum

*11:00 am – 12:00 pm Sunday Worship
Service

4:00 – 5:30 pm Anchorage Friends
Meeting Sanctuary & Social Room

*5:00 – 9:00 pm Sunday Solidarity- All
are Welcome Social Room

Monday, July 27

Tuesday, July 28

*2:00 – 4:00 pm Knitting Group
Room 7

Wednesday, July 29

*6:00 – 8:00 pm RE family night

*6:30 – 9:00 pm Board of Directors
Meeting - In Person & Zoom

Thursday, July 30

Friday, July 31

*12:00 – 2:00 pm Freethinkers in Person
Room 7

*Open to AUUF Members & Friends



The Forum IN person & on Zoom 9:00 AM Sunday, July 26, 2026
"Love Beyond Judgment: No Death Penalty for My Grandmother's Killer" Sarah Gregory

The Forum

Sunday July 26, 2026, 9:00 AM
IN- PERSON and on Zoom

"Love Beyond Judgment: No Death Penalty for My Grandmother's Killer"

Sarah Gregory

Our speaker at the Forum this Sunday, July 26, is social justice advocate **Sarah Gregory**. After the murder of her grandmother, Sarah spent years navigating grief, addiction, and ultimately recovery. Her journey took a transformative turn when she chose to reach out to and build a relationship with the man responsible for her grandmother's death. Sarah's story was featured in *The Atlantic* magazine cover story "Witness," and she has joined a national conversation on the human cost of the death penalty and the moral complexities of the criminal justice system.

On the following **Sunday, August 2**, we are looking forward to hearing from **Marty Rutherford and Veronica Slajer**, two women deeply involved in helping make sure the electoral system works for everyone in Alaska, particularly those in rural areas. Their topic is Good Governance Powers Everything—Assessing Alaska's Civic Infrastructure. What can be done about getting ballots in and out of rural Alaska in a timely way to ensuring that those in rural communities are not disenfranchised, what is the role of municipal clerks, postal officials and others who are necessary to implementing elections in Alaska? What has the administration been doing to address the issues that have arisen in these areas in past elections? Heather Flynn will be the moderator.

[Click here to join on Zoom.](#)



Sunday Worship Service IN person & on Zoom 11:00 AM Sunday, July 26,
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Sunday July 26, 2026, 11:00 AM
IN- PERSON

"Bicycling the Dalton Hwy: Vast and Intimate"
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A few weeks ago Nelson and I (Lise) bicycled from Deadhorse to the Yukon River. It was an unforgettable trip and caused a bit of pondering about what's important and how interconnected we are.

[Click here to join on Zoom.](#)

Upcoming Worship Services

Aug. 2, 11:00 am In-person and Zoom

"Our Attention Is a Gift"

Rev. Becca Bernard, Affiliated Community Minister. Renee Frost, Worship Associate.

We're living in a time of chaotic and convulsive changes that too easily monopolize our attention. How can we reclaim the gift of our attention and redirect it towards the things we love and want to see grow in the world?

Aug. 9, 11:00 am In-person and Zoom

"National Book Lovers' Day!"

Rev. Lise Adams Sherry, Renee Frost

So many books, so much to read! I'm (Lise) not sure exactly where we'll focus, but books will definitely be involved!

Aug. 16 11:00 am In-person and Zoom

"The Divine Feminine"

Rev. Lise Adams Sherry and Michele Champion

August 15 is the Feast of the Assumption which celebrates the assumption of the Virgin Mary into Heaven. What does that mean? We'll explore this as well as the variety of Marys in the religious world and some other goddess forms, too.

Fire Pit Chat August 11 6:30-8 PM

Your Connections team invites you to join us for informal conversation around our fire pit. All are invited and welcomed to join us. We'll provide light snacks and s'more fixings. If you're able to do so please bring a beverage of your choice and a camp chair. If it rains, we'll gather in the social room. For more information email admin@anchorageuuf.org. Hope to see you there!

Staff Vacations

Rev. Lise will be out of the office August 11-13

NO TAOF newsletter July 30

Kelly Strycker Communications Specialist

Kelly will be out of the office July 27- July 31st with no newsletter on July 30th. Also working reduced hours the week of August 3-7 but updating the website & publishing TAOF. Back to normal hours Monday August 10th.

Thanks!



Religious Exploration

Join us for the next Family Night Out on Wednesday, July 29 from 6pm-8pm. Our first event on June 24 was a success! Adults had a chance to visit and the kids played. It was an informal gathering during a lovely June evening. Hot Dogs (vegetarian option

available) and s'mores are provided. Bring a side to share if you wish. Finger foods such as veggies, fruits, cheese & crackers are a great option as well as bringing a water bottle.

Religious Exploration registration for the 2026/2027 school year will be available at the end of July. Classes will begin Sunday, August 23 for the school year. I'm looking to round up some new RE helpers this school year. We'll be adding another classroom to split up our largest group once again. Classrooms will be Pre-K, Grades K-1, Grades 2-4 and Grades 5-8.

The NEW Junior Youth Group (Grades 5-8) will begin in October- meeting monthly on a Friday evening. Thank you to all who supported the youth fundraiser of Pride merchandise. Pearl and Dougie staffed the table and collected over \$300 to go into our youth account. This will help to plan and fund any special events for youth group we may want to have or attend in the future.

Parent's/Grown-Up Night Out will return in October as well.

HS Youth events/activities will announced as planned and scheduled. HS OWL classes will run for seven consecutive Sunday mornings mid-January through February.

Children's Choir will begin on Sunday, August 30 following the 11am service. Approximately 12:30pm-1pm (a chance to grab a snack after the 11am service and RE classes). There will be an option on the RE Registration to sign up. Kids will be singing at the multi-generational services throughout the school year. The first being the Water/Homecoming Service on Sunday, September 13.

Fall Frolic dates are September 18-20 at Birchwood Camp on Chugiak. Registration will be available mid-August and end on Thursday, September 3. Thanks again to ,The Alliance, for providing funds to pay for the food this year!

I think that is all the RE related news I have to share. Enjoy the remainder of the summer!

NEW!- AUUF Religious Exploration Updates

[Click here to read.](#)



Family Night Out at Anchorage Unitarian Universalist Fellowship

When:

Wednesday, July 29, 6pm–8pm

What: Hot Dogs & S'mores provided!
Bring a side to share (not required)



Join us to roast hot dogs around
the fire pit and make s'mores this
summer at the AUUF! Adults can visit
and the kids can play!



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Volunteer for Sunday Hospitality through Sign-Up Genius

Please consider signing up to help make AUUF a warm and welcoming community. Encourage a friend or relative to join you! Every Sunday we need greeters, zoom ushers and Social Hour helpers to keep our kitchen tidy. Below is a link to the Sign-up Genius which includes downloadable directions on what to do. All you need is an email address and you will be sent an automatic reminder 2 days ahead of time. Thanks to all who continue to help!



Invitation: Deliberative Democracy Study Group

Deliberative Democracy is a process of collaborative decision making in civic engagement- a practice used by many communities around the country and elsewhere in the world today. This is a new idea for many of us. Please join us to learn together what it is. We'll read articles and possibly books on the topic TBD.

To learn more visit: [DemocracyNext](#)

When: 6-7:30 p.m. on 2nd and 4th Wednesdays of the month.

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