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Today At Your Fellowship
Thursday
May 26, 2022

This Weekend @ AUUF
[Find Zoom links here.](#)

Thursday 5/26/22
6:30 pm Pastoral Care Team

Friday 5/27/22
12 pm Freethinkers

Saturday 5/28/2022

Sunday 5/29/2022

9 am The Forum **on Zoom ONLY**

11 am Sunday Worship Live at AUUF &
on Zoom

Half Portion for Social Action for May
is [Alaska Seeds of Change](#)



*Sport is a Human Right—Respecting Transgender
Athletes with Lisa Keller*

The Forum on Zoom ONLY
9 am Sunday, May 29

[Click here to join on Zoom.](#)
[Click here for Speaker's bio.](#)



Memorial Day Reflections

Ken Winterberger, Joyce Laine, Worship Associates

Sunday Worship Live at AUUF & on Zoom

11 am Sunday, May 29

[Click here to join on Zoom.](#)
[Click here for Speaker's bio.](#)

SUMMER Religious Exploration Happenings

We will meet outside at the 11:00 am service this summer. Volunteers are needed for fun play and craft activities in July and August. Call Rosene to share ideas.

JUNE

6/5 With Rosene, Contemplation room, spiritual practice activities

6/12 With Rosene, Roxaboxen, Building houses in the woods

6/19 With Mary, Tikishla Park playday, walk to the park

6/26 With Rosene, Stream Exploration, water play - wear boots

JULY

7/3 NO Religious Exploration

7/10 With Rosene, Contemplation room, spiritual practice activities

7/17 With Koala - Visit Koala & Susan's farm, walk in the neighborhood

7/24 TBA

7/31 TBA

AUUF Peace Camp happening July 18-22!

There are still a few spots available in the Elementary and Middle School tracks. Registration forms are available at AUUF or at the website. Looking for volunteers to help with bike excursions. IF you love biking, consider this a great match with your talents. Bike rides happen daily in both age groups. Contact Rosene, Elayne or Andee.

CYRE is looking for some people interested in being part of the RE Team for '22-'23.

We are beginning to plan for a more normal year, next year and would love your ideas and help. We also need loving adults to be class leaders as we provide the experiences and joy of Unitarian Universalism for our children and families.

Contact Rosene Beachy, DLRE or Elayne Hunter.

Director of Lifespan Religious Exploration Job Opening

[Job Description](#)

[Letter to Applicants from Rev. Lise](#)

The Forum Will Be Zoom-Only Till Further Notice We Need Your Help and Feedback

Change is hard, even if the change is just “returning to normal.” We plan to continue bringing you interesting and informative Forums—that won’t change. But as a courtesy to speakers and to help make things go more smoothly for all involved, including each of you and our volunteers, we have decided to continue with Zoom-only Forums until at least the end of June and maybe for the rest of the summer.

[Click here to read the entire article.](#)

Goodbye and Thank You From Your Ministerial Intern

Dear AUUF members and friends,

Thank you for a wonderful year serving as Ministerial Intern here at the Fellowship! I’ve enjoyed and learned so much from interacting with many of you on various committees. My time here has given me practice and growth opportunities in all the facets of ministry: worship, religious education, pastoral care, social justice, and administration. It’s exciting to witness people beginning to return to the building as we loosen our covid restrictions and I anticipate a thriving future for AUUF!

My last day as Ministerial Intern will be Tuesday, May 31. After that, I’ll continue to be member (in fact, I’ll be serving as one of AUUF’s delegates to General Assembly in June) but my participation will be very low-key for at least the next year. I’ll be stepping down from all my committee involvements except for the Antiracism Team, and when I appear in the pulpit it will be as a guest, not as a member of the ministerial staff. During the 2022-23 academic year, I’ll be completing the second half of my internship year at the Unitarian Universalist Fellowship of Fairbanks.

Wishing you all a restful and restorative summer,
~Becca Bernard

Volunteers Needed at the Airport Heights Elementary School Garden

Wednesdays, 1:00-3:00 pm

Want to get to know our neighbors at the Airport Heights Elementary School? Volunteers are needed all summer long to help take care of the school garden and greenhouses. Come any Wednesday, 1:00-3:00 pm, and bring your gloves!

Communications Specialist summer hours & TAYF Publication Guidelines

Hi, Kelly Spring here,
Just a reminder, my remote office hours are Monday, Wednesday, Thursday & Friday 9 am- 1 pm AK. I will not be working on Tuesday for the next 7 or so weeks.

Other important communications info:

The deadline for inclusion in TAYF is Thursday at 9 am. We can no longer make exceptions.

[Please review these communications guidelines for calendaring, TAYF, and Zoom requests.](#)

[Please submit your TAYF articles here.](#)
[Please submit a Zoom request here.](#)

Freethinkers

12 pm Friday, May 27

The Freethinkers zoom every Friday (accessed on the AUUF website) at noon for 1.5 hours to discuss a current book read. At the moment the group has just begun reading “Lifespan, Why We Age and Why We Don’t Have To”, by David Sinclair. For this coming Friday, we will be discussing the book through chapter 3. It’s a rather hopeful book about the advances in science and their probable impact on our generation and the next generation. We’ll be able to live longer than we ever thought without illness and with complete vitality according to Sinclair. Join us Friday at noon for camaraderie and friendship, plus the opportunity to discuss with skepticism a book that, on its surface, is a rather outlandish premise. As outlandish as the ideas in the Lifespan book are, the science seems to state otherwise. Join us!

Wray

[Click here to read the entire article.](#)



WhaleCoast Update

**UU WhaleCoast Guests will be in Anchorage on June 4, 5 and 8
Hosts and Banquet Help still needed for Second Tour: June 29 and 30**

We’re doing great! Thanks to our congregants signing on for the first (National Parks) tour, it looks like we made our goal of lining up beds for all 40 guests, plus the tour director. This means AUUF will earn the maximum amount available from WhaleCoast for that tour. Kudos to the following super-hosts: Deb Addie, Judy Engh, Ann Larabee, and Berta Gardner, who are housing 4 guests each. Berta is also donating salmon for one or both

banquets! Kudos also to Jane Gray for organizing the June 5 banquet. Some of our hosts could use some help with driving their guests on June 5, 6, 8, and 9. Please contact me if you're willing to help (more information on the links below).

The second (All-Alaska) tour will come through Anchorage mid-week: June 29, 30. Like the first tour, it's sold out for a maximum of 40 guests. We're short a few committed hosts, so let me know if you can house a guest or two for those two nights. We also are in urgent need of someone (or a team of two?) to organize/supervise the Thurs. June 30 banquet. The basic format and outline of needs provided and willing helpers are already being rallied. I'm reaching out to a few individuals recommended to me by Rosene Beachy and our wonderful Program Council. But I would heartily welcome anyone who might enjoy tackling this one-time, short-term project.

Thanks, one and all!

Denise Martin dulcimer.diva@gmail.com. Thanks so much for those helping!
Pick up information sheets at AUUF, or visit websites:

[AUUF website](#) or [WhaleCoast AK](#) for general tour information and Covid protocols.

Safer Congregation Team – Guidebook Snippet

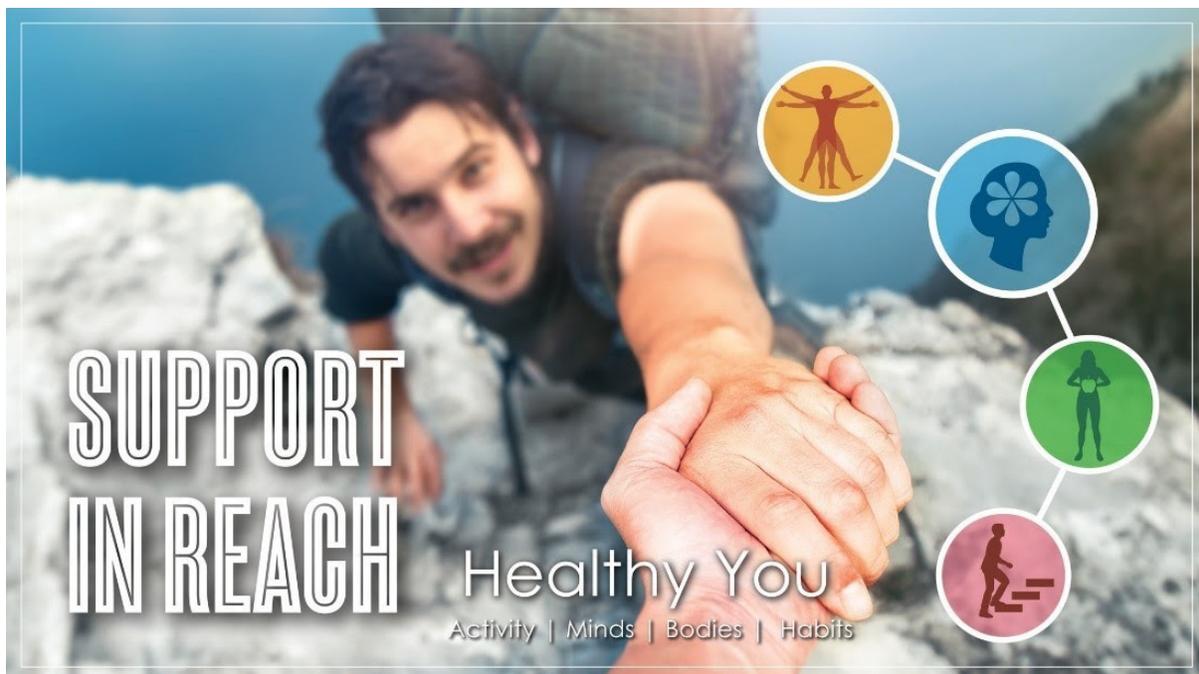
By David O'Brien, Team Co-Chair

Your Safer Congregation Team has been periodically publishing “snippets” from its recently completed Guidebook. The charted purpose of the Team is to “ensure the protection and safety of the AUUF congregation and building”, and the Guidebook has been written to support this goal.

Active Shooter Procedure (Intruder/s entering with intent to harm)

- Call 911 when it is safe; describe shooter and weapons.
- The greeters, ushers, teachers, staff, etc. will need to assess the situation and guide people to the proper course of action.

[Click here to read the entire article.](#)



May is Mental Health Month

Take a peek at [Healthy Alaskans 2030](#), our state's health improvement plan.

Anchorage Bahai Center

A Celebration/ a Conversation Building Vibrant Communities

1-5 pm June 4, 2022

1207 E. 74th Ave.

One of many conferences in Anchorage and throughout the world exploring the oneness of humanity, the vision for the betterment of the world, and how we can create strong vibrant communities... together.

Music, art, games & discussion. All activities are designed with families in mind. Children and youth of all ages are welcomed into all activities with adults of all ages.

For information or registration (helpful but not required): aatc@akbnc.org

[Click the link below to see the flyer.](#)

Support Anchorage PRIDE!!!

Hi all,

It looks like there isn't going to be a Pride Parade this year in Anchorage, although there are going to be a couple of events to celebrate and affirm our LGBTQ+ friends and family. One of these is the Rainbow Run on June 14, 2022 (the virtual race is a week-long event). It's a 5K run/walk with prizes for the most creative costumes.

I just signed up!!! Come join me. ☐ I also created an "Anchorage Unitarian Universalist Fellowship" Team, so when you sign up you can join that as well. I've been in conversation with other AUUF folks about getting AUUF t-shirts and carrying our banner for this and other events. Check-in with the Program Council folks to see if they decided anything about t-shirts at their meeting on June 24, or look in TAYF for more information.

[Click this link to sign up and find out more information.](#)

Yours in fellowship,
Rev. Lise



May Half Portion offering goes to Alaska Seeds of Change

Alaska Seeds of Change is a program for youth ages 16-23 that teaches essential job and life skills through work in an indoor hydroponic farm. We grow fresh produce year-round, including herbs like basil, chives, mint, and also salanova lettuce. These crops are sold at Blue Market in Anchorage, through Arctic Harvest Deliveries, to restaurants, and even sent out to towns and villages across Alaska.

Volunteers are always welcome at Seeds! E-mail us at volunteer@akseedsofchange. We also rely on community support to help keep our program going and are grateful to be designated as the half-share partner for May!

Go to anchorageuuf.org
Click on the Half-Portion note
at the bottom of the home page.

Our AUUF Covenant

Together . . .

We seek to be an open and welcoming community.

We strive to listen deeply and speak with one another and to our larger community with consideration and respect.

We hold each of us and all of this amazing world worthy of our attention, compassion and care.

Together we are Anchorage Unitarian Universalist Fellowship.



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