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## On the Journey

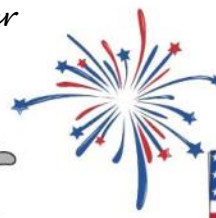
*In the midst of pain, I choose love....In the midst of war, hate, and anger keeping score, I will seek the good once more, I choose peace. ~ Mark Miller, "I Choose Love"*

We ended the church year amid profound concerns for human rights, for health care and social resources, for free speech, and for global conflict. The theme for this year's Unitarian Universalist Association General Assembly was "Meet the Moment." Those of us who gathered in person in Baltimore, Maryland, and online had the chance to learn, to reflect, and to connect in this time. It was a serious and sober gathering. And we lifted our spirits. As one of my colleagues proclaimed, "Extra fascism requires extra joy!" I expect to share more about that experience in the coming months. For a summary, check out <https://www.uuworld.org/articles/uua-ga-2025-recap-vote-results-statements-actions-unitarian-universalism>.

This congregation also met the moment as we engaged in worship, business, and fun. Thank you to everyone who was part of our annual Flower Communion and the Congregational Meeting on June 1. We had an abundant common bouquet that represented the diversity and beauty among us. The congregation completed the business of electing members to positions on the Board, the Trust, and the Nominating Committee. And we approved the budget for 2025-26. This budget equips us to continue to bring our mission to life. Thank you to the volunteers and staff who diligently put together financial information and recruited our next leaders. We also thanked people at the wonderful church picnic on June 8. It was a beautiful day at the Herm Farm. Folks of all ages shared food and good company. It was a pleasure to welcome our emeritus minister, the Rev. Michael Brown, and his wife, Diane, who were part of this congregation for 27 years. Thank you to Martha Herm and Tom McIntyre for being generous hosts, to Dolores Wendland and the Hospitality volunteers for relocating the kitchen for a day, and to Lindy Peterson and the Recognition Team for celebrating our fine volunteers.

Meeting the moment for the coming year will continue to ask us to show up in the world. And we also are called to show up for each other. We are a community of all ages and many origins. New people are finding us every Sunday. Our task is to keep connecting with one another across generations and length of time with this congregation. I will offer more thoughts as we start the church year in September. For now, if you think of someone, reach out to them and say hello, especially outside of Sunday morning. Relationship is one of our superpowers. Let's use it!

*Bowing to the Light Within,  
Reverend Jennifer*



## Sunday Services

**Sunday, July 6, 10:30am**  
**"Who Is Superman and  
What Does He Mean to Us?"**  
**Brad Keefauver**

After 87 years, another generation will be discovering Superman this summer, and all that lies behind that character. Brad Keefauver will explore the legend, lore, and meanings behind the greatest superhero of them all.

**Sunday, July 13, 10:30am**  
**"Ageing: The Courage to  
Enter the Twilight Zone"**  
**Judith Koren-Shanahan**

There is a famous old saying, "Old age is not for sissies." How do we muster the courage to face our aging futures? How do we make some of the hard decisions we all end up facing? Let's look for the positives.

**Sunday, July 20, 10:30am**  
**"To Be Free from Fear?"**  
**Nick Hall**

Church member Nicholis Hall shares his familiarity with using personal experiences to tell stories and change minds. Drawing on lessons learned from Listen for a Change, he shares one such story about the little ways the threat of gun violence can impact a life.

**Sunday, July 27, 10:30am**  
**"The Wisdom of the Treasure Hunt Way"**  
**Edward Flint & Jeanette Gruber**

Kids' birthday parties create a very special opportunity to share an exciting, memorable, and age-appropriate story about our shared quest to find the essence of TREASURE—the good stuff that lifts up universal human values! Come join us to celebrate the stories and to use principles and tips to set up a space and time for children to experience community.

## Sunday Worship



For most of the summer, members and friends of the church conduct the worship services. We have a lineup of diverse topics this year, ending with Rev. Jennifer's Question Box sermon on August 31. The official church year begins on September 7 with our traditional Water Communion service. A list of the summer services is below. Look for more information about each service in the Friday UU News.

Please see page 1 for July service descriptions.

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| 8/3  | Jill Thomas & the Congregation                       | <b>T-Shirt Theology</b> (see below)                    |
| 8/10 | TBD  |  |
| 8/17 | February Sky Music Duo ~ Susan Urban and Phil Cooper |  |
| 8/24 | Reverend Jennifer Innis                              | <b>Blessing of the Animals</b>                         |
| 8/31 | Reverend Jennifer Innis                              | <b>Wondering Together:<br/>The Question Box Sermon</b> |

*Happy Summer!*



### Seeking Readers for Summer Services

Do you want to be part of our summer lay-led services but don't want to give a sermon? You can help by being a reader! For more info, email Regina at [membership@peoriauuchurch.org](mailto:membership@peoriauuchurch.org).

### Hymn Singing Support

Thank you to all who volunteered to assist with hymns during service. Rev. Jennifer has a plan that will start in August. Please contact her with questions. We will make a joyful noise!



### Summer Adventures in Religious Education

*June 1 - August 31, Sundays at 10:30am*

Summer at UUCP brings adventures for kids and youth. Religious Education will be presented in a one-room schoolhouse setting. Each week, we'll explore our UU faith through play and curiosity. The kids will not divide into age-based classrooms, and youth are invited to decide if they would like to join RE, view and discuss an episode of *Avatar: The Last Airbender*, or stay for the lay-led worship. One thing stays the same in summer—we still need volunteers for Sunday to be a success. See Jesi Laughlin or sign up here: <https://uuchurch.flocknote.com/signup/211279>

#### Summer Adventures in RE for July

**July 6:** Superheroes **July 13:** Building Together  
**July 20:** Fort Making **July 27:** Scavenger Hunt

### Feedback for RE in 2024-25

Please share your thoughts about Lifespan Religious Education at UUCP this past church year. Your answers will help plan for 2025-26. The form should take about 5-10 minutes to complete and is intended to be completed by anyone who has participated in adult, youth, or children's Religious Education programming this year. Just go to <https://forms.gle/Z7ftaRLceEn8gUvb8>.



### T-Shirt Theology: Sunday, August 3

Our T-Shirt Theology service is back by popular demand! Wear a t-shirt to church on August 3 that reflects your values or beliefs, and, if you wish, you will be welcomed to the mic for a 60-second time of sharing what your shirt means to you. Messages that relate to UU values are preferred. Topics can relate to an issue, but messages related to a person are to be avoided. Life is so stressful right now that positive messages are encouraged. Questions? Contact a member of the Admin Team or email Jill Thomas at [bookwormjmt@gmail.com](mailto:bookwormjmt@gmail.com). This service is a great way to get to know each other!



## Share the Plate July ~ East Bluff Community Center Food Pantry

EBC Food Pantry operates four Saturdays a month from 8:30am-noon. Guests select from a variety of food items and then receive a prepared bag along with a choice of meat and dessert. Residents of this low-income area and unhoused individuals may access the pantry twice a month. Breakfast is prepared by the Peoria Area Humanists and is served to guests while they await their turn in the pantry. This 501(c)3 charity is staffed by volunteers, receives no government funding, and depends on donations of product and funds. For more information, see [www.eastbluffcommunitycenter.org](http://www.eastbluffcommunitycenter.org) or East Bluff Community Center on Facebook.

Our UU Share the Plate program allows for one-half of the undesignated Sunday offering to be donated each month to a local not-for-profit organization. You may also put cash or check in an envelope with the charity's name on it, and we will be happy to forward it.

## Activities & Announcements



### Park Day

Thurs., July 17, 10-11:30am

Rain Date: Thurs., July 24

Lakeview Park Playground

1125 W Lake Ave, Peoria

UUCP families and friends are invited to meet for some weekday fun in the

park. Jesi Laughlin and Liz Tiethoff will be at the playground near the Lakeview Recreation Center. Come and play with us!

### Volunteer at a Safe Zone Lock-In

July 10 & 17, 6-11pm

The Co-Response Social Services Unit and the Peoria Police Department are hosting lock-ins in July for Peoria youth in 5th-8th grade, and they need volunteers to make them a success. Email Keith McDaniel at [kmcdaniel@peoriagov.org](mailto:kmcdaniel@peoriagov.org).

### Middle Grades Youth Lock-In

Saturday, July 19, Drop off at 7pm

Pick up at 8am on Sunday, July 20

Calling all night owls, snack monsters, and game champions! It's time for the most epic overnight of the summer—at church! (Yes, seriously!) Watch a movie in the Sanctuary! Go for a midnight hike in the grove! Play silly games! Make your own pizza! Laugh uncontrollably! Pack your sleeping bag, overnight supplies, and your best dance moves. Bring a snack to share and prepare for a night of unforgettable fun and very responsible chaos. Registration and permission required (because adults are still in charge, technically). Register at <https://uuchurch.flocknote.com/signup/215833> and fill out the permission form here: <https://forms.gle/Unik8GgGUnJ2aBBd7> Questions? Email Jesi at [DLRE@peoriauuchurch.org](mailto:DLRE@peoriauuchurch.org).



Tuesday, July 22, 6:30pm on Zoom at <https://tinyurl.com/w682x5ek>

Join us on the fourth Tuesday of each month on Zoom. We'll read and discuss young adult books that have been banned or challenged in parts of the U.S.—books that spark meaningful conversations around social justice, identity, and UU values. Come ready to read courageously, reflect deeply, and stand up for the stories that matter. Books are available locally at Lit on Fire, online at [bookshop.org/shop/UUCP](http://bookshop.org/shop/UUCP), for free at your local library, and at many more locations.

**This month's selection, *Looking for Alaska* by John Green**, follows Miles Halter ("Pudge") to boarding school as he seeks a "Great Perhaps," in the famous last words of French writer François Rabelais. This coming-of-age novel explores themes of meaning, grief, hope, and youth-adult relationships. It has frequently been in the top ten of the American Library Association's list of most-challenged books, with profanity and a sexually explicit scene identified as objectionable.

Join us this month or in the future: **August 26:** *Kindred* by Octavia Butler; **September 23:** *Gender Queer* by Maia Kobabe; **October 28:** *Crank* by Ellen Hopkins; **November 25:** *The Absolutely True Diary of a Part-Time Indian* by Sherman Alexie.





### **Rummage Sale**

*Fri. & Sat., Aug. 1 & 2  
Drop off items  
until July 22*

Setup for the rummage sale will begin on July 22 and last for 10 days to allow our volunteers to find space in their

schedule to help out. We are accepting donations **NOW through July 22**. Please ensure all donations are clean, bug-free, functional, and unbroken. We **DO NOT** accept adult clothing, TVs/computers, printers or other electronics, VHS tapes, tires, cribs, child car seats, or opened toiletries. We ask that you hold your book donations for the book sale in the fall. Donations may be brought to the marked rooms in RE whenever the church is open. For any questions or if you would like to volunteer, please contact Lindy Peterson at [lindytpeterson@comcast.net](mailto:lindytpeterson@comcast.net).



### **Drawing Love: Chalk the Parking Lot**

*Chalk on July 25 or 26  
Awards & Potluck:  
Saturday, July 26, at Noon  
Parking Lot at UUCP*

Let's spread some love—one chalk drawing

at a time! Join us for this all-ages event, where we'll turn our church parking lot into a colorful celebration of community, creativity, and kindness. Come anytime Friday afternoon or Saturday morning to complete your masterpiece. A section of the parking lot and sidewalk will be designated for artwork, so come early to grab your spot! Then, be sure to come at noon on Saturday for a casual potluck and fun awards, like "Most Joyful," "Best Message of Love," "Chalk-tastic Colors," and more! You can bring your favorite potluck dish, specialized art supplies (we'll have plenty of basic chalk), and your creative spirit. Let's fill our space with color and connection!



### **Where in the UU World Is Reverend Jennifer?**

Rev. Jennifer will be going to Ferry Beach in Maine for Religious Education Week July 5-11. She expects to be back in Peoria for the River City Pride Festival on July 19. Contact Caring Committee Co-Chairs Terry Malone and Pat Denzer for pastoral concerns.

## *From the UU Church of Peoria Trust*

As President of the UU Church of Peoria Trust, I want to lift up how well Steve Klister did a difficult job in response to the pandemic tanking investments for everyone and pushing our balances lower than total amounts ever donated! From the Trust's beginning in 1978 until 2022, trust officers had never seen anything that dipped low enough to create a zero distribution! And so we and the church were anguished by this outcome, and we trust officers set to rework our distribution formula to improve matters if this ever came to pass again! Steve stepped up to the plate, ran many spreadsheets and used his careful, iterative approach to lift up two primary solutions, which we discussed with this body and other stakeholders at length. And after significant analysis, the trust board voted to implement the changes. Steve described these and their purpose at the Spring Annual Church Meeting. First, the primary calculation formula would be three percent, so that it would not have dipped so low in 2022 if it recurred. And second, with careful modeling and an ear to the needs of the budget team and the church overall, Steve shared that the trust board had added a new commitment: to never distribute less than the prior year's distribution. I want to thank Steve for his valuable service around this time, and the trust officers look forward to continuing to build with our care and management of the Trust for the long-term future of the church—one gift of any amount at any time! Thank you, Steve! We are also glad Steve conducted an introductory training for the church board members so that they have solid info about how the Trust works and how it supports the church by careful management and reliably distributing the annual distribution, which just this month was \$20,613! Thank you!

~ Jeanette Gruber, UU Church of Peoria Trust President



Thank you to all who nominated someone for a volunteer award this year. Please keep a lookout starting now for any who deserve to be recognized next year!

This year's volunteer awards went to:

#### **CHURCH MOUSE:**

**Anthony Boudreau** For quietly helping in events and activities, including A Course in Miracles, congregational meetings, AV on Sundays, and many more.

**Kevin Cashmer** For donating soup made by his herbal group to coffee hour on Sundays.

**Mitze Nietzsche** For manning the Welcome Table on many Sundays as the unofficial acting Welcoming Committee Chair.

**Bill Ordaz** For his indispensable help with the Date with Death group.

**Roy Seabolt** For his work in many areas, including co-founding the Just For Fun group, researching telephone provider options for the office, and running an online security class.

**Gina Stow** For her work keeping up the grounds of the church, including trails, the Labyrinth, and the Memory Garden.

**Mike Zichterman** For beautifying the Memory Garden prior to scattering of ashes.

#### **ABOVE & BEYOND:**

**George Hopkins** For his continual help at coffee hour on Sundays for several years and counting.

**Evan Stubbs** For his excellent leadership of the Land Stewardship Committee and individual work on upkeep of the building and grounds.

**Dolores Wendland** For her outstanding leadership of the Hospitality Committee including work on coffee hour before and after Sunday service and initiative in finding and ordering fair trade coffee.

#### **PILLAR OF THE CHURCH:**

**Nancy Rakoff** ~ The Recognition Committee is empowered to create awards from time to time to recognize unique contributions by volunteers, and this year, they created the Pillar of the Church award for Nancy Rakoff in recognition of her continuous efforts to support the church's membership and stewardship through the decades in both volunteer and staff capacities.

#### **OUTSTANDING SERVICE AWARD:**

**Joyce Rosenberger** received the Jack & Joanne Fought Outstanding Service Award this year for her years of dedication and leadership in the church. Joyce's roles have included Vice President of the Board, Small Group Ministry Coordinator (and Covenant Circle Leader), Minister's Transition Team, Chili Cook-Off Chair, and Zentangle class leader. She has helped in numerous areas of church life, including the Racial Justice Team, rummage sales and book sales, and by helping individuals in the church by giving them rides where they need to go and other thoughtful ways.

**Congratulations and thank you to all those who received recognition this year!**

## Recurring Groups

### Keepers of the Great Grove ~ CUUPs

Wednesday, July 2, 6-7:30pm

Conference Room or Zoom

at <https://tinyurl.com/2nyj5zet>

Join us for our monthly member-led meetings. We will go over general business, discuss and plan for upcoming Sabat celebrations, and a member will lead a different enrichment topic each month. CUUPs stands for Covenant of Unitarian Universalist Pagans. All are welcome.

### Life Force Tai Chi ~ 1st & 3rd Sundays

Sundays, July 6 & 20, 9:30am, Meet in Foyer

Tai Chi is an ancient discipline from China. Join Dave Grebner for this class, where we will learn how to stand and move to enhance the flow of chi life energy through our bodies. We will meet in the church foyer, find an available room, and practice until 10am.

### Amethyst Circle: An Addiction Recovery Group Following UU Values

Wednesday, July 9, 7-8pm, RE Meeting Room or Zoom at <https://tinyurl.com/3u7f8yh2>

Gather with others to offer and receive support on your addiction journey. This group is facilitated by Tony Huerta and is open to all.

### UUCP Herbal Group

Fridays, July 11 & 25, 3:30pm, UUCP Kitchen

Come learn about nutritional and medicinal uses of herbs on 2nd and 4th Fridays. We'll explore Peoria history through its cuisine and occasionally prepare a dish to share after Sunday service. For more information, email Kevin Cashmer at [kevincashmer44@gmail.com](mailto:kevincashmer44@gmail.com).

### Mah Jongg for UUs

Sundays, July 13 & 27, 1-3pm, Fellowship Hall

Do you play Mah Jongg or do you want to learn? Join the fun on 2nd and 4th Sundays! Bring your own drink and snack, and if you have a Mah Jongg set or mat, bring it, too. Questions? Contact Char Rickey at 309-472-7085 or [spinwool7@aol.com](mailto:spinwool7@aol.com) or Evan Stubbs at 575-621-5519 or [sirstubby@hotmail.com](mailto:sirstubby@hotmail.com).

### LGBTQIA2S+ Group at UUCP CANCELLED FOR JULY

Meet next August 18, 2pm, Conference Room

Do you identify as LGBTQIA2S+? Do you attend, visit, or belong to UUCP? Join us on the 3rd Monday each month. Questions? Email Tim Herold at [herold1961@gmail.com](mailto:herold1961@gmail.com) for details.

### Third Thursday Ladies' Lunch

Thursday, July 17, 11:30am

The Queen of Squash ~ 1108 W. Glen Ave.

Join us at this cozy restaurant in the Metro Center that serves healthy locally-sourced dishes. Vegan options are available. Please RSVP to Carlette at 309-258-5890.

### Brown Bag Lunch & Conversation

Thursday, July 24, 11:30am-1:30pm

Conference Room


Bring your own lunch and join in conversation with others on the 4th Thursday of each month. This lunchtime community is open to all!

### Retired Men's Last Friday Lunch

Friday, July 25, Noon

Childers Eatery, 3312 N University St., Peoria

Join other retired UU men for lunch on the last Friday of the month. Questions? Email Bill Keefner at [wkeef84@gmail.com](mailto:wkeef84@gmail.com).



**Mugs & Musings**  
**Thursdays at 10am**  
Zion Coffee Bar ~  
803 SW Adams St  
Peoria

Drop in and join Membership Coordinator Regina Stanley to discuss whatever is on your mind. Questions? Contact Regina at 309-648-2767 or [membership@peoriauuchurch.org](mailto:membership@peoriauuchurch.org).

### A Course in Miracles

Sundays, 8:45-10am, Conference Room

You are welcome to join ongoing weekly sessions of *A Course in Miracles*, a self-study spiritual program based on universal spiritual themes, primarily including forgiveness as the path to love in order to focus on living more peacefully in this world. To RSVP, contact Suzette Boulais at [zetter@comcast.net](mailto:zetter@comcast.net).

### Humanist Discussion Group

Tuesdays, 7pm on Zoom

at <https://bit.ly/3rthCHR>

Join us as we invite guest presenters and talk about videos of current events, religion, and politics. We aspire to use empathy, humility, curiosity, critical thinking, and compassionate communication to discuss new insights, controversy, disinformation, irrationality, and magical thinking.



## In Our UU Family

### Joys & Sorrows

♥ We send our condolences to Barbara Pierce and family for the loss of Gary Pierce, Barbara's husband. Gary's passing came sooner than expected after a short struggle with cancer. Gary's obituary may be found here: <https://www.legacy.com/us/obituaries/name/gary-pierce-obituary?id=58547695>.

♥ We send our condolences to the family and friends of Helen Gasdorf, who died on June 24. Helen was 87 years old and a longtime member of UUCP. Her obituary may be found here: <https://www.dignitymemorial.com/obituaries/peoria-il/helen-gasdorf-12430841>

### Memorial Service

Please join us to remember  
**Helen Gasdorf**  
Friday, July 18 at 2pm at UUCP

*The Caring Committee helps our congregation in personal transitions. We organize volunteers while someone is ill, and coordinate visits, cards, and calls to those who need them. Please email [caring@peoriauuchurch.org](mailto:caring@peoriauuchurch.org), call the office (309-688-5608), or talk with a committee member about how we can help!*

## Church Life

### Flower Communion & Congregational Meeting ~ Sunday, June 1





Church Picnic ~ Sunday, June 8





## Church Picnic (cont.) ~ Sunday, June 8





## Juneteenth Lessons in Children's RE ~ Sunday, June 15



## Chalk Drawings at Church Cook Out ~ Saturday, June 28







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**NEXT BUILDER**

**Deadline:** Wednesday, July 23

**Submit to:** [office@peoriauuchurch.org](mailto:office@peoriauuchurch.org)

**Mailing:** Wednesday, July 30

Board of Trustees: [board@peoriauuchurch.org](mailto:board@peoriauuchurch.org) President: Edward Flint; Vice-President: Lindy Peterson; Treasurer: Austin Locke; Secretary: Katie Jones. Board Members: Anthony Boudreau, Pat Denzer, Tony Huerta, Mike Jongerius, Charity Kennedy, BJ Lindsey, Kathy McNeil, Roy Seabolt, and Jessica Spelman.

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Service/Church School—10:30 AM Sundays

**RETURN SERVICE REQUESTED**



### **Join Us on Sunday at 10:30am...**

- ~ In person in the Sanctuary
- ~ On Zoom at <https://bit.ly/3sxzsci> or 312-626-6799 w/Meeting ID 999 7726 7210 & Passcode 1843
- ~ On YouTube at <https://peoriauuchurch.org/service-live-stream/>
- ~ Through our website by going to <https://peoriauuchurch.org/> and clicking on livestream

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# Calendar of Events - July 2025

## Tuesday, July 1

7:00 PM Humanist Discussion Group Virtual Harry Elger, 309-682-9717

## Wednesday, July 2

10:30 AM *Builder* Mailing Conference Room [office@peoriauuchurch.org](mailto:office@peoriauuchurch.org)  
 1:00 PM Administrative Team Conference Room [adminteam@peoriauuchurch.org](mailto:adminteam@peoriauuchurch.org)  
 6:00-7:30 PM Ukulele Strum Fun Foyer Kathy Klister, 309-363-9626  
 6:00 PM Keepers of the Great Grove ~ CUUPs Conference Room & Zoom [DLRE@peoriauuchurch.org](mailto:DLRE@peoriauuchurch.org)

## Thursday, July 3

10:00 AM Mugs & Musings Zion Coffee Bar [membership@peoriauuchurch.org](mailto:membership@peoriauuchurch.org)  
 1:00-4:00 PM Private Watercolor Class Fellowship Hall  
 2:00-4:00 PM Connection Circle Jr. High Room [sgm@peoriauuchurch.org](mailto:sgm@peoriauuchurch.org)

## Friday, July 4 ~ Independence Day! Church Office Closed

## Sunday, July 6

8:45-10:00 AM A Course in Miracles Conference Room Suzette Boulais, [zetter3@comcast.net](mailto:zetter3@comcast.net)  
 9:30 AM Life Force Tai Chi Meet in Foyer Dave Grebner, [doggiedad@mtco.com](mailto:doggiedad@mtco.com)  
 10:30 AM Worship Service Sanctuary  
 11:30 AM Coffee Hour Fellowship Hall  
 12:30 PM Sunday Afternoon Circle Sr. High Room [sgm@peoriauuchurch.org](mailto:sgm@peoriauuchurch.org)

## Monday, July 7

1:00 PM OLLI Practice Sanctuary Bill Keefner, [wkeef84@gmail.com](mailto:wkeef84@gmail.com)

## Tuesday, July 8

1:00 PM Sierra Club Meeting Conference Room [office@peoriauuchurch.org](mailto:office@peoriauuchurch.org)  
 7:00 PM Humanist Discussion Group Virtual Harry Elger, 309-682-9717

## Wednesday, July 9

1:00 PM Administrative Team Conference Room [adminteam@peoriauuchurch.org](mailto:adminteam@peoriauuchurch.org)  
 6:00-7:30 PM Ukulele Strum Fun Foyer Kathy Klister, 309-363-9626  
 7:00-8:00 PM Amethyst Circle RE Meeting Room [DLRE@peoriauuchurch.org](mailto:DLRE@peoriauuchurch.org)

## Thursday, July 10

10:00 AM Mugs & Musings Zion Coffee Bar [membership@peoriauuchurch.org](mailto:membership@peoriauuchurch.org)  
 2:00-4:00 PM Thursday Afternoon Connection Circle Conference Room [sgm@peoriauuchurch.org](mailto:sgm@peoriauuchurch.org)

## Friday, July 11

10:00 AM-Noon UUCP Trust Meeting Conference Room [trust@peoriauuchurch.org](mailto:trust@peoriauuchurch.org)  
 3:30 PM UUCP Herbal Group UUCP Kitchen [kevincashmer44@gmail.com](mailto:kevincashmer44@gmail.com)

## Sunday, July 13

8:45-10:00 AM A Course in Miracles Conference Room Suzette Boulais, [zetter3@comcast.net](mailto:zetter3@comcast.net)  
 10:30 AM Worship Service Sanctuary  
 11:30 AM Coffee Hour Fellowship Hall  
 12:00 PM Caring Committee Conference Room/Zoom [caring@peoriauuchurch.org](mailto:caring@peoriauuchurch.org)  
 1:00-3:00 PM Mah Jongg for UUs Fellowship Hall Char Rickey, [spinwool7@aol.com](mailto:spinwool7@aol.com)

## Monday, July 14

1:00 PM OLLI Practice Sanctuary Bill Keefner, [wkeef84@gmail.com](mailto:wkeef84@gmail.com)  
 6:30 PM Monday Evening Connection Circle [sgm@peoriauuchurch.org](mailto:sgm@peoriauuchurch.org)

## Tuesday, July 15

6:00 PM Finance/Personnel Committee Virtual/Library Bill Keefner, [wkeef84@gmail.com](mailto:wkeef84@gmail.com)  
 7:00 PM Humanist Discussion Group Virtual Harry Elger, 309-682-9717

## Wednesday, July 16

1:00 PM Administrative Team Conference Room [adminteam@peoriauuchurch.org](mailto:adminteam@peoriauuchurch.org)  
 6:00-7:30 PM Ukulele Strum Fun Foyer Kathy Klister, 309-363-9626  
 6:30 PM Worship Committee Conference Room [office@peoriauuchurch.org](mailto:office@peoriauuchurch.org)  
 6:30 PM Tarot Circle Library [membership@peoriauuchurch.org](mailto:membership@peoriauuchurch.org)

## Thursday, July 17

10:00 AM Mugs & Musings Zion Coffee Bar [membership@peoriauuchurch.org](mailto:membership@peoriauuchurch.org)  
 10:00-11:30 AM Park Day Lakeview Park Playground [DLRE@peoriauuchurch.org](mailto:DLRE@peoriauuchurch.org)  
 11:30 AM Third Thursday Ladies' Lunch The Queen of Squash Carlette Corlett, 309-258-5890  
 2:00-4:00 PM Connection Circle Jr. High Room [sgm@peoriauuchurch.org](mailto:sgm@peoriauuchurch.org)

**Friday, July 18**

2:00 PM	Celebration of Life for Helen Gasdorf	Sanctuary	<a href="mailto:office@peoriauuchurch.org">office@peoriauuchurch.org</a>
5:00 PM	Private Wedding Rehearsal	Sanctuary	<a href="mailto:office@peoriauuchurch.org">office@peoriauuchurch.org</a>

**Saturday, July 19**

7:00 PM	Middle Grades Youth Lock-In	Whole Church	<a href="mailto:DLRE@peoriauuchurch.org">DLRE@peoriauuchurch.org</a>
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**Sunday, July 20**

8:45-10:00 AM	A Course in Miracles	Conference Room	Suzette Boulais, <a href="mailto:zetter3@comcast.net">zetter3@comcast.net</a>
9:30 AM	Life Force Tai Chi	Meet in Foyer	Dave Grebner, <a href="mailto:doggiedad@mtco.com">doggiedad@mtco.com</a>
10:30 AM	Worship Service	Sanctuary	
11:30 AM	Coffee Hour	Fellowship Hall	
12:00 PM	Welcome Committee	RE Meeting Room	<a href="mailto:membership@peoriauuchurch.org">membership@peoriauuchurch.org</a>
12:30 PM	Sunday Afternoon Circle	Sr. High Room	<a href="mailto:sgm@peoriauuchurch.org">sgm@peoriauuchurch.org</a>

**Monday, July 21**

1:00 PM	OLLI Practice	Sanctuary	Bill Keefner, <a href="mailto:wkeef84@gmail.com">wkeef84@gmail.com</a>
3:00-9:00 PM	Private Wedding	Sanctuary/Fellowship Hall	

**Tuesday, July 22 ~ Last Day to Drop Off Rummage Sale Donations**

6:30 PM	UU Can't Ban My Books Book Club	Virtual	<a href="mailto:DLRE@peoriauuchurch.org">DLRE@peoriauuchurch.org</a>
7:00 PM	Humanist Discussion Group	Virtual	Harry Elger, 309-682-9717
7:00 PM	ACLU	Virtual	Ken Hofbauer, <a href="mailto:peoriaaclu@gmail.com">peoriaaclu@gmail.com</a>

**Wednesday, July 23**

1:00 PM	Administrative Team	Conference Room	<a href="mailto:adminteam@peoriauuchurch.org">adminteam@peoriauuchurch.org</a>
6:00-7:30 PM	Uukulele Strum Fun	Foyer	Kathy Klister, 309-363-9626
6:30 PM	Board Meeting	Conference Room	<a href="mailto:office@peoriauuchurch.org">office@peoriauuchurch.org</a>
11:45 PM	<i>Builder</i> Deadline		<a href="mailto:office@peoriauuchurch.org">office@peoriauuchurch.org</a>

**Thursday, July 24**

10:00 AM	Mugs & Musings	Zion Coffee Bar	<a href="mailto:membership@peoriauuchurch.org">membership@peoriauuchurch.org</a>
11:30 AM-1:30 PM	Brown Bag Lunch & Conversation	Fellowship Hall	<a href="mailto:office@peoriauuchurch.org">office@peoriauuchurch.org</a>
2:00-4:00 PM	Thursday Afternoon Connection Circle	Conference Room	<a href="mailto:sgm@peoriauuchurch.org">sgm@peoriauuchurch.org</a>

**Friday, July 25 ~ Come Chalk the Parking Lot This Friday Afternoon or on Saturday Morning**

12:00 PM	Retired Men's Last Friday Lunch	Childers on University	Bill Keefner, <a href="mailto:wkeef84@gmail.com">wkeef84@gmail.com</a>
3:30 PM	UUCP Herbal Group	UUCP Kitchen	<a href="mailto:kevincashmer44@gmail.com">kevincashmer44@gmail.com</a>

**Saturday, July 26 ~ Chalk the Lot in the Morning**

8 AM-Noon	Chalk the Parking Lot	UUCP Parking Lot	<a href="mailto:DLRE@peoriauuchurch.org">DLRE@peoriauuchurch.org</a>
Noon	Chalk the Lot Potluck & Awards	UUCP	<a href="mailto:DLRE@peoriauuchurch.org">DLRE@peoriauuchurch.org</a>

**Sunday, July 27**

8:45-10:00 AM	A Course in Miracles	Conference Room	Suzette Boulais, <a href="mailto:zetter3@comcast.net">zetter3@comcast.net</a>
10:30 AM	Worship Service	Sanctuary	
11:30 AM	Coffee Hour	Fellowship Hall	
1:00-3:00 PM	Mah Jongg for UUs	Fellowship Hall	Char Rickey, <a href="mailto:spinwool7@aol.com">spinwool7@aol.com</a>

**Monday, July 28**

1:00 PM	OLLI Practice	Sanctuary	Bill Keefner, <a href="mailto:wkeef84@gmail.com">wkeef84@gmail.com</a>
6:30 PM	Monday Evening Circle		<a href="mailto:sgm@peoriauuchurch.org">sgm@peoriauuchurch.org</a>

**Tuesday, July 29**

7:00 PM	Humanist Discussion Group	Virtual	Harry Elger, 309-682-9717
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**Wednesday, July 30**

10:30 AM	<i>Builder</i> Mailing	Conference Room	<a href="mailto:office@peoriauuchurch.org">office@peoriauuchurch.org</a>
1:00 PM	Administrative Team	Conference Room	<a href="mailto:adminteam@peoriauuchurch.org">adminteam@peoriauuchurch.org</a>
6:00-7:30 PM	Uukulele Strum Fun	Foyer	Kathy Klister, 309-363-9626

**Thursday, July 31**

10:00 AM	Mugs & Musings	Zion Coffee Bar	<a href="mailto:membership@peoriauuchurch.org">membership@peoriauuchurch.org</a>
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