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Building the Beloved Community

MORRISTOWN UNITARIAN FELLOWSHIP

From our minister…

One reason I moved to Tulsa for my internship was a desire to live in a city in the Bible Belt where Unitarian Universalism was thriving. There were many experiences I hoped to gain, including visiting conservative, fast growing, evangelical congregations to better understand what was attracting so many people. While there were a number of things I heard, saw, and experienced on these visits that I wouldn't want to replicate, there were also a number of things I thought we could learn from.

One thing that struck me was how clearly the evangelical churches I visited named the struggles people in the congregation were going through. For example, they named that there were people actively struggling with addiction in their community who were in need of help right now. They were not afraid to say out loud the brokenness that is present in some form and at different points in our lives. Up to that point, my experience in Unitarian Universalist congregations was a message that focused on addressing brokenness out in the world and that held an assumption that the people in our sanctuary had their lives largely pulled together. Let me be clear. I am certain that everyone knew that their fellow UUs were struggling with careers, family life, personal life, and health, but still I had never heard it named so clearly from the pulpit.

I think we are getting better at this, but we can be more intentional in creating a community where people have permission to bring their whole selves – brokenness and wholeness, failures and success. As we reflect on **Building the Beloved Community** (our annual theme) let us do our best to offer safe and sacred space for people in our community to show up whether or not they "have it all together." Please, know that if you are struggling, you are not the only one – no matter how put together others may present themselves.

Let me be more specific: You are welcome to come red-eyed from crying, and you are welcome to cry with us. You are welcome to show up while you are struggling financially. You are welcome to come when you are in pain. You are welcome to show up with your doubts about religion, or about whether what you are doing with your life is worth it. You are welcome no matter your range of ability (and, please, let us know if we have barriers that are obstacles to your participation). You are welcome to show up when you are afraid you will drink, or use again. You are welcome to come when you are recovering from abuse, or when you are learning to refrain from violence. In fact, please show up, at all of these times. And, let us show up for you.

As our new Caring Taskforce re-imagines how we support one another, let us grow together into a community of healing and hope that offers compassion, presence and love during times of great joy and times of great trial. All of us will go through a measure of both. May we be a house of welcome to all people on their best days, their worst days, and all the days in between.

In fellowship,

Alison

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Morristown Unitarian Fellowship

21 Normandy Heights Road, Morristown NJ 07960

Sunday Services: 9 am & 11 am

MANSION MOONLIGHT

There is still time to join our celebration of **the Fellowship's 60th anniversary and Alison's 10th as our minister**.

Moonlight at the Mansion takes place on **Saturday, March 19**, from 6-8 pm (Sponsor-level reception is from 5-6pm.) There will be games, a scavenger hunt, music, dancing, a dance contest and photo booth - activities for all ages! Costumes of the 1920s are welcome!

Adults may join the Sponsor level reception hour to remember our early Fellowship history with some of our Founding Members. The cost is $100 per person and includes a free remembrance booklet and several other perks! OR join the all-ages party which costs $20 per adult, $10 per child age 16 or younger and/or $50 per family.

RSVP to admin@muuf.org or 973-540-1177

Easter Sunday Events

Sunday, March 27

8 am – Breakfast
Quiche, Strata, and more are on the menu!
Proceeds will go towards the Jr. and Sr. High Youth Group Trip to Boston! $15 per Adult, $10 per child, Family $40. Tickets on sale beginning March 13

9 am - Easter Sunday Service

10 am - Easter Festival - Bring your basket for an Easter Egg Hunt. We will have two outdoor age appropriate egg hunts (dress accordingly.)
Prizes for all!

11 am - Easter Sunday Service

Mission and Covenant Statement

***We**, the members of the **Morristown Unitarian Fellowship**, mindful of the rich diversity and essential oneness of human experience, covenant to weave the fabric of community from the strands of our separate lives. This is our pledge:*

- *To create for ourselves and our children a spiritual home which will nurture, challenge and offer us renewal*
- *To seek what is true even as we celebrate the mystery of existence*
- *To reach out to all who share our liberal religious values and participate in the broader Unitarian Universalist movement*
- *To work for social justice and the well-being of our planet Earth*

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Board Corner

Maureen Dempsey
Trustee-at-Large for Stewardship

Raking leaves, supporting a committee, teaching RE, ushering….if you have ever engaged in any of these or other volunteer activities at the Fellowship you've undoubtedly gained a new appreciation for all it takes to **support our lively and vital spiritual home.** Likewise, as chair of our Stewardship Committee, I've learned much about what it means to support a community of faith. Surprisingly, I even learned about stewardship during a recent vacation.

Over the holidays my family traveled to Southeast Asia to visit our niece and do some sightseeing. We visited several Buddhist temples and of course I was interested to see stewardship in action. At one thriving lakeside neighborhood temple we noticed an abundance of ways that worshipers could provide financial support. The temple had several prominent cage-like donation boxes labeled with the temple's financial needs, including payment of utility bills. It was fairly clear to any passer-by how much was in each box. There was also a dedicated spot near the altar to place non-monetary donations, which included a washer and dryer, dishes, and even a new Buddhist monk's costume packaged in a box that mysteriously displayed a large photo of a US quarter. At a 12th century temple, now more of a tourist site, we noticed Buddha statues high above us set in the alcoves of the temple's walls. We learned that the statues were donated by individual families as part of a construction "fund-raiser" when the temple was first built.

Highly visible giving opportunities like these can be very satisfying for both the donors and the temple faithful. Donors can witness their offerings filling a donation box to the brim, or they can take pleasure in seeing their donated item on display.

We've taken a different approach towards giving and generosity at the Fellowship. As members and friends we make our financial pledges quietly. Our Sunday morning pledge drive testimonials emphasize our gratitude for the spiritual gifts we've received and the board generally only highlights the congregation's financial needs during our pledge drive. You might say we emphasize "the heart," – the spiritual aspects of giving, over "the hearth," or practical needs of the Fellowship.

As we enter our pledge drive, we look to take a "whole-hearted" approach to giving, one that embraces both the spiritual and the practical, and one that provides us with more opportunities for dialogue as well as reflection. One way we will do this is by having "**Cottage Dinners"** with members and friends throughout the month of March. This initiative will continue for three years, with one-third of our membership invited to the home of one of our volunteer hosts each year, so that all members will have taken part in a dinner by the end of the third year. There is no need to sign up, since we will be reaching out to you, but if you can't wait to join the dialogue and are interested in attending a cottage dinner this March, please contact Maureen Dempsey **stewardship@muuf.org** by March 7. Please also contact me if you would like to host a dinner this month.

Please join us for a Capital Project Update

We will provide a status update and discuss our 'next steps'. There will be two sessions following the Services on March 20th, and on Wednesday March 23 we will have an evening session at 7 pm. For newer members, we will be happy to take time to explain our exciting plans.

Newcomer Welcome Session - Join us for a welcome session and introduction to our congregation following the 9 and 11 am Services on March 13. We will offer a snapshot of Unitarian Universalist beliefs, our lifespan religious education programs for children, youth and adults, volunteer opportunities, and a tour of our building and grounds.

THE YOUNG ADULT GROUP is for folks in their 20s and 30s to get together and build community over shared life experiences.

We host a monthly lunch and social event outside of the fellowship.

Young Adult Events - Saturday, March 12th,
Morristown St. Patrick's Day Parade, 12:pm.

Let us know if you'd like to join us for the parade.
For more parade info, http://paradeday.com/

Monthly Young Adult Lunch, *1 pm, after the parade.*
Join us in Morristown for food and fun.

Spring Craft Show @ Morristown Armory
2 pm, after parade and lunch.

At Spring CraftMorristown you'll have the opportunity to meet visionary artists and purchase their latest works. One hundred and fifty modern American makers, artists, designers and craftspeople from across the country will call the Morristown Armory home for the three days, March 11-13.

Contact us at youngadults@muuf.org for more information!

SAVE THE DATE!

Spring Cleanup is Sunday, April 10, 10:30 - 3pm. Join us for a few minutes or for the afternoon – all help is welcome! We will be opening storm windows, picking up branches and debris, and dusting off Winter. Contact Nan Perigo or any Facilities Council member for more information.

MORRISTOWN UNITARIAN FELLOWSHIP'S MONTHLY MIDWEEK RENEWAL SERVICE

BEAUTY in the BROKENESS

Wednesday, March 2nd
at 6:30 pm

Led by Rev. Alison & David Snedden
muuf.org

COME FOR INSPIRATION... MEDITATION... HEALING... SONG... RITUAL & RENEWAL!

Tim Atkins, Director of Religious Education

About a year and a half ago, I was away helping staff a youth leadership school. While we were there, we broke a ceramic chalice that belonged to the congregation that was hosting us. I'll admit to being aggravated that it was broken in the first place – we just weren't doing right by the people who invited us in. We broke a holy symbol, by being careless. It was just one more aggravation on top of all the other aggravations of the week.

But you know, accidents happen. Things break. We break. But the best response to brokenness isn't to get angry at what caused the brokenness – it's to try and put the pieces back together. (We offered to pay the congregation to have the pieces of their chalice put back together.) Now I can reflect back and wonder why I got so aggravated? What purpose did that serve? How did that help put the pieces back together? How did that anger add to the beauty of the universe?

I'm reminded of Kintsugi. Kintsugi is the Japanese art of fixing broken pottery by gluing it back together with a golden resin. The cracks add to the beauty – they aren't hidden away. It's closely related to the Japanese concept of wabi-sabi, a philosophy that in part embraces the imperfect.

In American society, we tend to want to hide away our brokenness, but we all have those scars from our past. We try to cover it up from the world, because the world mocks those very scars that cut so deep into our soul. We don't think the scars add to our beauty, like with Kintsugi. We want to hide those scars, not coat them with golden paint for the entire world to appreciate.

Let's face it. If someone were in our face with their flaws, with their brokenness, most of us would have absolutely no clue what to do. We would want to hide, we would want to shame them into just stop talking about it. Emotional vulnerability in others brings out that emotional vulnerability in us, and I count myself among those would rather avoid feeling vulnerable. If people are proud of their scars, then we feel guilty because we aren't proud of our own. We just want to pretend they aren't there, haunting us still to this day. We want to disassociate ourselves from our brokenness, because it's easier to pretend it happened to the old you, our former lives, etc.

What would life be like if none of us hid our emotional scars from each other? If when we looked at each other, we didn't see people who had been broken (and therefore deserve our scorn, shame, or pity)? What would happen if all we saw was the whole, made more beautiful by their golden scars?

What would happen if we all acknowledged, even celebrated, the brokenness we all experience from time to time? If we celebrated it in others? Perhaps we would lose the shame we feel when it all falls apart. Perhaps we would be more willing out to reach out to friends and neighbors when we need help putting the pieces together. Perhaps we would be more willing to help out friends and neighbors when they need help putting their pieces back together.

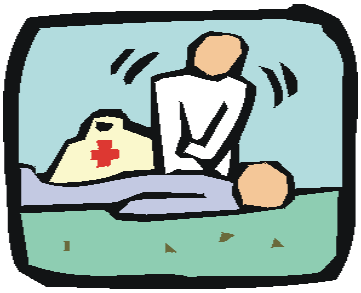
I celebrate the brokenness inside me. I celebrate the brokenness inside you. Together, from the pieces we shall create something even more beautiful.

Refugee Group Meeting

Tuesday, March 8 @ 7 pm. Come join us. Inspired by Rev. Alison's sermon on the plight of refugees many of us spoke about what we as a fellowship could do to help. Last month we heard three speakers from First Friends, a non-profit that helps resettle refugees and other folks who are in 5 detention centers in North Jersey, They described the awful conditions the detainees face and how much they would welcome visits. We are starting a visitation program and will look into the "adoption" options. Joan Belz has volunteered to head our group and has researched some of the issues. This will be a brainstorming and organizational meeting, let's see what we can do. For info, contact Joan Belz or Tom McGuinness.

Adult Learning Programs

Red Tent Temple led by Dana Holmes, Saturdays, 6-10 pm, 2/13, 3/12, 4/9 and 6/4. We'll transform a room into a "temple" of red! Red Tent Temples are intended for women to gather, relax, and learn in a sacred environment and are designed for all women of different religious and social backgrounds. Come at 6 pm for organized activities or 7 pm for informal hang-out time. Women and girls over the age of 12 only.
For information contact Dana at **adultlearning@muuf.org**



CPR Training led by Allen Sheps, EMT & Certified CPR Instructor, Saturday, March 12, 9 am. This four-hour class in cardio-pulmonary resuscitation (CPR) includes training on how to use our automated external defibrillator (AED). Knowing CPR could help you save a loved one suffering a cardiac or breathing/choking emergency. The discounted cost is $45 per person, and if you are a religious education teacher or childcare-giver at the Fellowship, the cost is free. Space is limited, please register by March 6.
For information and to register, contact Danelle at **adultlearning@muuf.org**

Buddhist Insight Meditation Mini-Retreat led by Rev. Allen Wells, April 2, 9 am-4:30 pm. Beginners will learn insight meditation in an intensive setting and experienced meditators can deepen their practice. We will explore three forms of meditation: concentration (shamatha), spacious awareness (vipassana), and loving-kindness (metta). This will be a silent retreat, including lunch period (please bring your own), but there will be instruction and time for questions and answers (called "inquiry"). Please bring a sturdy cushion if you would like to sit on one (we have some extras); sitting in a chair is also fine. There will be short periods of walking meditation as well. Allen has been practicing insight meditation for over 25 years and participated in a six-week silent retreat. He is a graduate of the Integrated Study/Practice Program of the Barre Center for Buddhist Studies, and has traveled to India to walk in the footsteps of The Buddha. There is no fee but there will be an opportunity for an offering (dana) donation for the Fellowship. Pre-registration required by March 19.
Contact Allen to register: ***adultlearning@muuf.org***

Writing Room: Connecting Creatively with Yourself and Others led by Ellen Schmidt, two Workshops on April 9, 10 am–12:30 pm and/or 1 –3:30 pm. Back by popular demand, this is an opportunity to connect with personal and creative ideas, to relax and write from the heart in a safe and supportive environment. Ellen Schmidt, whom many of us know from Star Island, will have guided writing and sharing through structured exercises and personal expression. You can attend one session, morning or afternoon, or both for a full day of writing. Connect with your voice and listen to others. Ellen is an experienced writer and facilitator who creates writing circles at Cornell University and in private practice in Ithaca, N.Y. To learn more, go to ***www.writingroomworkshops.com*** The cost is $40 per person per session, $80 for the full day. We will be meeting off-site in Madison, not at the Fellowship. Registrants will receive an email regarding how to pay and directions to where we are meeting. Space is limited to 10 per session, so reserve early! Pre-registration is required by April 3. Contact Kate McAteer ***adultlearning@muuf.org***

Building Your Own Theology: Ethics led by Elias Ortega-Aponte and Danelle Simonelli, 7 pm, Wednesdays: April 13, 20, 27; May 11, 18, 25; June 8, 15. This third course in the Unitarian Universalist Association's "Building Your Own Theology" (BYOT) series invites participants to explore their personal beliefs related to ethics. We will consider issues such as the authority behind moral decision-making;

motivation and intention; personal responsibility; conflicting values; character and integrity; and how different situations and relationships affect ethics. We will exercise our "moral compass" thru a variety of ethical dilemmas. This course is most appropriate for those who have taken the introductory BYOT class, but all are welcome. The cost for the book is $16. Please pre-register by March 30 so books can be ordered.

Contact Danelle **adultlearning@muuf.org**

The Basics of Epigenetics led by Gloria Dyer, Saturday, April 30 at 10 am. Epigenetics is the study of changes in gene activity which are not caused by changes in the DNA sequence. It is the study of environmental and other mechanisms that switch genes on or off. In this 1½-hour session, we will discuss what genes do, examples of epigenetics, how they work, and examples of their function in some diseases. Please pre-register by April 26. Contact Gloria **adultlearning@muuf.org**

Change is Our Choice: Creating Climate Solutions led by Claire Mayer, Tuesdays, 3/29 - 4/26 , 11 am - 12:30 pm. Each session is guided by material in the course workbook ($25) containing articles from experts, suggested questions, and on-line videos of interviews, talks, and short films. We will explore climate change from the scientific, psychological and social perspectives; consider how to take action to build resilience in our own communities; make and implement a plan of action to respond to climate change's affects. Conversations are self-facilitated with everyone taking a turn. Participants learn facts and opinions, share related experiences, frustrations and give and receive encouragement and support. "The reason we care about climate change is because it affects the people and places we care about." Katherine Hayhoe, climate scientist University of Texas. Please pre-register by March 15 so books can be ordered.

Contact Claire **adultlearning@muuf.org**

Six Acre Seva Group facilitated by Steve Parker, first & third Wednesdays , 9:30 am, beginning April 6All members and friends with an interest in gardening and the outdoors are invited to participate in this ongoing group. A spiritual opening, check-in, and coffee will be followed by gardening and landscaping activities on our Fellowship's wonderful (albeit slightly neglected) grounds. Expect a "menu" of ideas and suggestions for the morning's *seva* ("selfless service"), and pick an activity that suits you. Most weeks those who want to will adjourn to some local restaurant around noon for lunch. Imagine how much difference your service in support of your beliefs might have on our spiritual home over the course of a year! It is not necessary to attend all sessions to be a part of this group. Please wear appropriate work clothing and bring water, sunscreen, bug spray, gloves, and perhaps your favorite tool. No registration required.

Contact Steve **adultlearning@muuf.org**

Strength Deployment Inventory Workshop led by Dan Cohen, certified SDI practitioner, Saturday, March 5,10 am - 4:30 pm. The Strength Deployment Inventory (SDI) is a tool that provides insights into what motivates you and how you manage conflict, along with how to motivate others and when to recognize conflict. This workshop helps with tools to understand self and others. Cost of the workshop is a $50 donation to the Fellowship. Bring a bag lunch and beverage.

For information and to register, contact Dan at **adultlearning@muuf.org**. Please put SDI in subject line.

Book Club the third Monday of the month, 1:30 pm. Come join our lively discussions, all are welcome! For our March 21 meeting we are reading Gilead by Marilynne Robinson.

Contact Katharina, while Nancy is travelling! **activities@muuf.org**

Interested in offering an adult learning program? Send course proposals to:
Susan Oxman at **adultlearning@muuf.org.**

Social Justice

Fellowship Initiates New Energy Conservation Program

Henry David Thoreau wrote, "What's the use of a fine house if you haven't got a tolerable planet to put it on?" Morristown Unitarian Fellowship's Gateways Mansion is a fine house indeed. Built in 1912, the building is an architectural treasure, but it has an antiquated heating system and drafty windows and doors. Current energy-conserving measures and features include LED lighting, scheduling heating to coincide with building use, and blockage of airflow into fireplace chimneys.

Green Earth Ministry has initiated a new effort to find additional ways of conserving energy and thereby reducing greenhouse gas emissions and costs through GreenFaith's Energy Services Program. GreenFaith is an interfaith coalition for the environment that works with houses of worship, religious schools, and people of all faiths to help them become better environmental stewards. The Energy Services program includes tracking of gas and electric consumption, onsite assessment, energy management training, and help in developing and implementing an energy conservation plan. To find out more, share your ideas, or explore ways to become involved, contact greenearth@muuf.org.

On February 10, our Board of Trustees approved the following resolution re-affirming its commitment to the UU 7th Principle and supporting the Fellowship's new energy conservation program:

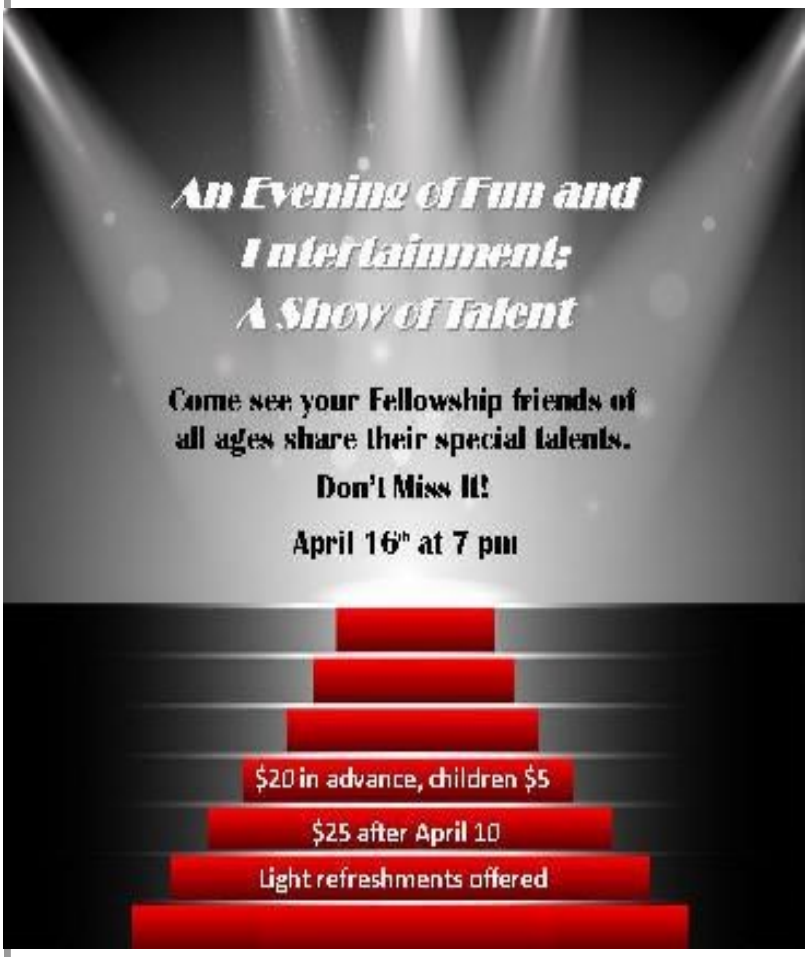
Mindful of the Unitarian Universalist 7th Principle, "respect for the interdependent web of all existence of which we are a part," and of a fiduciary duty to operate and maintain our congregation's facilities in a fiscally responsible manner, the Board of Trustees of the Morristown Unitarian Fellowship resolves that

Morristown Unitarian Fellowship is committed to incorporating energy conservation into the operation and maintenance of the Fellowship's facilities;

Our staff, members and friends, religious education classes (children, youth, and adults), groups, committees, and renters are encouraged to incorporate energy conservation into their operations and practices.

Morristown Unitarian Fellowship will promote and encourage energy conservation and awareness in the Fellowship community and beyond; and

Morristown Unitarian Fellowship will promote and affirm, through our spiritual practices and in other ways, the Unitarian Universalist 7th Principle.



Social Justice

Our Holiday Fair Outcome

Just a wonderful note to thank the Fellowship members and friends for their splendid support of our Annual Gifts of Conscience Holiday Fair 2015! With over 50 volunteers, our greater community raised $22,443 (gross) for our partner charities and the 10% of sales from Ten Thousand Villages, covers our costs to host the event. Thank you everyone!

Green Earth Ministry (gross)	**$ 960.00**
Ghar Sita Mutu	**$ 3,140.00**
Grupo Cajola	**$ 1,627.50**
Heifer	**$ 1,475.00**
New Jersey Aids Service, Eric Johnson House	**$ 372.00**
Neighborhood House	**$ 480.00**
Peaceworks	**$ 3,249.00**
Seeds of Peace	**$ 688.50**
Wind of the Spirit	**$ 874.00**
Women of the World	**$ 1,696.00**
Total charity vendors	**$14,562.00**
Ten Thousand Villages	**$ 7,030.30**
TOTAL	***$22,443.58***

On Sunday March 6 we will have a special collection dedicated to the ACLU of New Jersey specifically for their work on the issue of mass incarceration in New Jersey.

Mass incarceration is a major contributor to the inequality of income that is rampant. Prison records, even for minor infractions, hamper ex-prisoners in finding work, getting adequate housing and applying for government benefits.

Udi Ofer, Executive Director of ACLU-NJ issued a press release last November stating: "While New Jersey has worked to reduce its prison population, the state still imprisons far too many people; and they are disproportionately from low-income communities of color. If New Jersey were its own country, it would have the second highest incarceration rate in the world, just behind Cuba. Beyond the high number of prisoners, New Jersey still suffers under the tremendous racial disparity that plagues the criminal justice system across the nation. People from communities of color make up more than three quarters of all prisoners in New Jersey.

Alex Shalom, ACLU-NJ senior staff attorney, will speak about current efforts.

Soup Kitchen

Safe Food Handling Class -- The next class will be given on Tuesday, March 15, 9:30 am to 12:30 pm at the Morristown United Methodist Church. If you are interested in helping in the kitchen, you must take this class first.
Please contact Nancy at **nancy@cskmorristown.org** to register and, please also let Susan Oxman at **socialjustice@muuf.org** know if you are attending or have questions.

Share the Bounty, a Soup Kitchen fundraiser, is on Thursday, April 14, at the Madison Hotel. If you have created art, jewelry or a craft item that you would be willing to donate for the silent auction, please let Susan Oxman know, email **socialjustice@muuf.org** All submissions must be at the Soup Kitchen by April 1. This fundraiser benefits the Soup Kitchen's ongoing mission.

Social Justice

UU UNO Blue Ribbon Deadline is March 31!

The Fellowship needs 7 more people to sign up to support the UU UNO in order to win our Blue Ribbon status for the 6th consecutive year! Suggested annual donation $50.

Go to **http://www.uua.org/international/un** and scroll down to "Support the UU United Nations Office" to contribute!

Adult UU UNO Spring Seminar Scholarships Available for the First Time!

The Fellowship's UU UNO Envoy has up to $500 that we were awarded for Best UN Sunday service in 2014 that we will share out to help defray costs of adult attendance to the UU-UNO's 2016 Intergenerational Spring Seminar on Income Inequality for anyone for whom it would be a hardship! Sign up before March 18! The seminar will take place in New York City from April 7-9, 2016. **Registration/Participant Forms available at http://www.uua.org/international/events/seminar must be received by March 18th.**

February report for Legislative Ministry

Craig Hirshberg, Executive Director will be retiring from her position effective this April.

We sent out an Action Alert asking Fellowship members to contact their state legislators to support the Pay Equity Act bill before the NJ legislature.

Join us March 12 for Our 2nd Annual MUUsic Festival at the Unitarian Universalist Congregation of Monmouth County in Lincroft, just off the Parkway. Music ensembles from congregations across the state. Tickets available through uulmnj.org

Transylvania Tidbit

Symbol of American Unitarianism

Symbol of Transylvanian Unitarianism

The Partner Church Committee hosted Coffee Hour on February 7. We hope you had a chance to sample the delicious Hungarian körözött spread made by Lilli. We were happy to be able to tell the story of the origins of Unitarianism and our Partner Church relationship. We sold several embroideries so it's time to replenish our stock. Please have a look at: **http://muuf.org/partner_church_committee**. At the bottom of the page is the text of the Transylvanian House blessing. Let us know if you would like an embroidered wall hanging in English or Hungarian, or both. Also at the top of the page are the symbols of both American and Transylvanian Unitarianism. And let us know if you would like a shirt embroidered with those symbols. If you pefer, you can provide the shirt, and pick the colors. Contact Gabor Kiss at socialjustice@muuf.org.

March 2015

Morristown Unitarian Fellowship

Ongoing Weekly Events:

Sunday Mornings
9 & 11 am - Worship Services
9 am - Religious Education
Coffee Hour after both services

Mon - Sat Mornings
7:30 am AA

Monday Nights
6:30 pm GAAMC

Tuesday Nights
6:15 pm Choir

Thursday Nights
7:30 pm Men's Consiousness Group

Friday Nights

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1 6:30 pm Finance Comm. 7 pm Sunday Services	2 1 pm Adult Learning 6:30 pm Renewal Service	3 6:30 pm Adult OWL 7 pm End of Life Issues	4 10 am Gentle Yoga	5 10 am Strength Depl.
6 9 am Sunday Service 11 am Sunday Service 12:30 pm Trans PacificPart	7	8 7 pm Refugee Meeting	9 5 pm Exploring Mindful. 6:30 pm GEM Meeting 7 pm Board Meeting 7 pm Inner Minister	10 6:30 pm Adult OWL 7 pm Social Justice	11 10 am Gentle Yoga	12 8:30 am Gathering of Men 9 am CPR Training 6 pm Red Tent Group
13 9 am Sunday Service 10:15 am Newcomer Tour 11 am Sunday Service 12:15 pm Newcomer Tour	14	15 7 pm Board Working Mtg	16 5 pm Exploring Mindful. 7 pm Inner Minister 7 pm Humanist Group	17 7 pm Comm. On Ministry	18 10 am Gentle Yoga	19 5 pm Sponsor-level Recep. 6 pm Anniversary Party
20 9 am Sunday Service 10 am Capital Proj. Update 11 am Sunday Service 12 pm Capital Proj. Update	21 1:30 pm Book Group	22	23 10:30 Cordial Conversation 7 pm Network Meeting 7 pm Inner Minister 7 pm Capital Proj. Update	24	25 10 am Gentle Yoga 5 pm Good Friday Service	26
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March 6 at 9 am & 11 am "Brokenness"
On the first Sunday of the month in our worship with adults, in children's chapel and in RE classes we explore a topic connected to our annual theme: "Building the Beloved Community." We must see clearly, name, and address what remains broken to be able to move towards reconciliation, redemption and wholeness.

- led by Rev. Alison B. Miller

March 13 at 9 am & 11 am "60 Years of Walking the Walk"
UU's have a long tradition of social activism and when the Fellowship was founded 60 years ago it embraced this tradition. We are blessed with a congregation that recognizes local and global needs and acts on them. What have we done and how have several of these actions impacted some of us?

- led by Don Preziosi with Al Chu, Pat de la Fuente, Sharon Glickman, and Betsy Burr

March 20 at 9 am &11 am "Celebrating Sixty"
Throughout this weekend celebrate our Fellowship – our community, our spirit, our history, present, and future. Let us honor the people and the events that have shaped us to this point, and let us (the congregation of today) plant vibrant seeds for the next 60 years

- led by Rev. Alison B. Miller

Friday, March 25 at 6 pm "Good Friday Service"
Join us for a contemplative service that examines how the last words of Jesus apply in our modern, everyday lives.

- led by Tim Atkins

March 27th at 9 am &11 am "Easter: The Dawn of Hope"
Join us for our annual multigenerational Easter Services and the Easter Egg Hunt between services. While we do not focus on a literal resurrection, we do know what it means to labor to create new life in the wake of devastation, despair and destruction.

- led by Rev. Alison B. Miller and Tim Atkins