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In Flanders

Fields By John McCrae

In Flanders fields the poppies blow
Between the crosses, row on row,

That mark our place; and in the sky
The larks, still bravely singing, fly
Scarce heard amid the guns below.
We are the Dead. Short days ago
We lived, felt dawn, saw sunset glow,
Loved and were loved, and now we lie,
In Flanders fields.

Take up our quarrel with the foe:
To you from failing hands we throw
The torch; be yours to hold it high.
If ye break faith with us who die
We shall not sleep, though poppies grow
In Flanders fields.

<https://www.history.com/topics/holidays/memorial-day-history>

Soul Matters May Theme: Creativity

Service Leader: Cheryle-May

**This Sunday's service: At 11 am In Person at the
Friends Church 1918 Oregon Avenue Or Via ZOOM**

**This Sunday we will share Stories and Poems that have
impacted our lives. Please bring something to share**

Klamath Unitarians is inviting you to a scheduled Zoom meeting.

Topic: Sunday Worship Service
Time: May 21, 2023 11:00 AM Pacific Time (US and Canada)

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87078028578?pwd=UzVGTWIMSTVGUFozTIZhV1QzaE1mdz09>

Meeting ID: 870 7802 8578
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Find your local number: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87078028578>

Coffee Hour is Back!

Plan to stay after the service Sunday and visit. We will have coffee, tea, and juice. And a few cookies. We would not object if you bring a snack to share. See you every Sunday for the foreseeable future!

Announcements

Poetry Service This Sunday May 28th

Plan to bring poetry and inspiring stories for sharing on Sunday May 28th. There is no particular theme except to bring something that has inspired your life.

Discussion Circle

We will meet at 10 AM in the office:

Do the needs of the many outweigh the needs of the few? Join us Saturday morning at 10 in the office area.

Dean & Faith

Coffee Hour Host Reminder

May 28th- Faith

Please remember to make a pot of coffee as soon as you arrive, pour in the thermos pot and start another pot. The discussion group sometimes wants coffee and we want to make sure there's enough. Check the ice chest in our hall closet for snacks to put out and make sure our stuff from the fridge is available.

Thanks so much for your time and energy :)

Ordination Announcement Sunday June 11 at 4 PM

Alison Duren-Sutherland, our first SOUUP Intern Minister who served our congregations during the 2020-21 church year, is being ordained at the Rogue Valley UU Fellowship at 87 4th St in Ashland at 4pm on Sunday, June 11th. The service is expected to last 90 minutes, with a potluck to follow outdoors in the RVUUF side yard, conditions permitting. All are invited to attend in person or to watch the ordination online (details to come). With any questions, please contact Alison.

Fellowship Fundraiser Yard Sale

The Yard Sale has been postponed until later in the Summer. Please watch the newsletter for updates. If you need more information or would like to volunteer please email Julia at juliackjackman@gmail.com

For board meeting minutes and Annual meeting minutes click the link below:

<https://uufkc.com/governance/>

CONNECTIONS

Barbara Turk

Julia Ward Howe (1819-1910) *, and her poem, "Battle Hymn of the Republic", are synonymous. And, there's also her 1870 Pacifist Mother's Day Proclamation. Julia did what Katherine Hepburn did for women wearing slacks; but, oh so much more! (DOB: May 27, 1819)

Simply: ardent advocate to abolish slavery, an unstoppable social activist for suffrage, lecturer for peace, and mother of six. Oh, there's more: She was fluent in seven languages, and a world traveler/lecturer.

Her father, Samuel Ward, a prominent NYC banker, provided an upper-class standard, with education, and a you-can-do-anything stance. Julie was 20 when her first published poem was printed (anonymously).

Her mother, poet Julia Rush Ward, died in childbirth when her young-poet daughter was five. An aunt reared Julia (& I assume her sisters), assuring literature, languages, and science (imagine!!!) were in their lives.

As history can vary, either Abraham Lincoln encouraged Julia to produce a poem (having viewed Civil War battle sights adjacent to Washington D.C.), OR a ministerial friend asked as well for a poem. The result, "Battle Hymn of the Republic".

Raised an Episcopalian, Julia was a Unitarian by 1841. She married (1843) a physician, Samuel Gridley Howe, 20 years her senior, and it was not a story-book ending. BUT, a fascinating marriage arrangement, like oil and water. (Abundant

source material on Julia, HISTORY OF AMERICAN WOMEN, SEE CIVIL WAR Women/Famous Firsts/Feminists.)

You just knew with a husband's attitude of, "A married woman should forge a career out of wifely duties and motherhood", and if the wife was Julia Ward Howe, FORGET IT!! Amazingly, she did it all: She was herself, including life-long self-education. She stayed with Samuel to his demise; and always spoke her mind to her end at 91 (or 96, depending on source).

As to Samuel, he had a death (1876) bed confession, claiming multiple affairs. Yet later, Julia wrote a bio of him, and flattering. (He had pushed for education of the blind at the Perkins Institution he founded in Boston; also his abolitionist efforts, and more.) Wonder why she let him control her wealth all those married years. But then, women were "fragile"; men could do all.

After Julia's (1910) death her children collaborated on a bio, garnering a Pulitzer Prize. Then it took some time, but in 1970 Julia Ward Howe was inducted into the Songwriters' Hall of Fame.

"During the first two-thirds of my life, I looked to the masculine idea of character as the only true one. I sought its inspiration, and referred my merits and demerits to its judicial verdict. The new domain now made clear to me was that true womanhood—woman no longer in her ancillary relation to her opposite, man, but in her direct relation to the divine and purpose as a free agent, fully sharing with man every human right and every human responsibility. This discovery was like the addition of a new continent to the map of the world, or of a new testament to the old ordinances." (Julia Ward Howe)

* This Day in UU History, F. Schulman

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News From the Wider Community

Klamath Basin Audubon is Looking for Volunteers

Klamath Basin Audubon's (KBAS) Winter Wings Festival is seeking new volunteers to help make the 2024 event even more successful than it was in 2023! For a variety of reasons some of our key volunteers have stepped down so we are reaching out to our members and supporters to see if you or someone you know might like help. Next year's festival will be February 16-19.

KBAS President, Vice-President and Treasurer are also open

KBAS's mission is to provide the opportunity for all to experience and appreciate our region's wildlife, focusing on birds and other natural resources. The Winter Wings Festival is the primary fundraiser for KBAS and proceeds support local grants to teachers and other entities for outdoor education and community nature-related projects. By volunteering for the festival, you would be helping us to advance this mission and enrich our community. Other perks include getting to learn more personally about some of the challenges facing the Klamath Basin, as well as meeting others who might share a common passion for birds, nature-photography, and/or environmental education. Over half of our attendees in 2023 were from out of the Klamath Basin, so the festival is also a great venue for introducing visitors to and educating them about our unique area.

For a detailed description of each of these positions and a timeline for involvement Please contact Cheryle-May Ramirez at

cherylemay@gmail.com.



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Please Click Here for the Latest news and events from UUMFE:

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Ukraine

Donate—Donate to UUSC’s Emergency Response Fund to help Ukrainian Refugees: https://donate.uusc.org/give/355250/#!/donation/checkout?preset1=50&preset2=75&preset3=150&preset4=250&utm_source=fy22-fund-Ukraine-Response-lightbox&utm_medium=lightbox&utm_campaign=fy22-fund

Donations will be directed to current and future partners in the region and strengthen their ongoing work of supporting and advocating for communities. UUSC goes “beyond the grant dollar,” meaning that our relationships are about more than just providing financial support.



Help Wanted

Klamath County needs a non-judgmental spiritual center and we are it. Please take a few minutes and look over our committees. If you can spare a few hours a month, we can make a difference.

Hospitality

If you would like to volunteer or learn more about the hospitality committee please email http://klamathuu@gmail.com attention Connie DeVry

Religious Education -- Find ways to stimulate the young ones via Zoom. Or park visits. Need folks to think outside the box for the children.

Worship Committee -- Chair Cheryle Ramirez Plan Sunday services. Volunteer to be a service leader.

Membership Committee -- Chair Barbara Turk Greeters needed for in person Sunday services. Reach out to those in need as the Cares & Concerns group. Especially needed during this time of isolation. A simple phone call can make someone's day.

Fellowship Fun Nights -- Connie DeVry needs some folks to help her plan whatever gatherings outside the service we can hold. Special events planning is included. Sounds like fun!

Social Justice Committee -- Very fulfilling work making changes and

community connections. We need someone will to chair this vital committee.

COME JOIN US!

Joys and Sorrows:

To have your joy or sorrow posted in the weekly eNewsletter, please email cherylemay@gmail.com by Wednesday each week for your submission to be included in Friday's newsletter. First names, full names or anonymous joys and sorrows are welcome. Please keep it brief (one or two sentences).

Any life events, milestones or help needed please email cherylemay@gmail.com to have this posted in the weekly eNewsletter. *(We reserve the option to edit, condense, or not publish any submission.)*

Are you new to this community? Learn more about the seven principles at the heart of Unitarian Universalism [HERE](#), and fill out the form found [HERE](#) to connect more deeply with UUFKC. Please feel free to forward these emails to interested friends!

To have an announcement printed in the weekly eNewsletter, please email cherylemay@gmail.com

Committees

Board – Julia Jackman president, Michelle Pine secretary, Mary Kelley treasurer, Jerry Brown & Katie Johnson at-large

Worship – Cheryle Ramirez chair, Franny Howes, Julia Jackman, Michelle Pine

RE – Tammy Walchak

Social Justice – Chair Katie Johnson

Membership – Barbara Turk, Jerry Brown (Cares & Concerns)

Stewardship – Julia Jackman, chair, Sally Wells, Mary Kelley

Communications – Cheryle Ramirez, Don Leith and Bill Lewis

Property Task Force – Sally & Chuck Wells, Connie DeVry, Phil Studenberg,
Faith Leith

Fellowship – Connie DeVry, chair, Tammy Walchak

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