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OF KLAMATH COUNTY



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January at UUFKC



## 1201 Division Street Klamath Falls

Welcome 2024!

Greetings Fellowship friends. The New Year is upon us, the days are slowly, slowly getting longer, and new opportunities and experiences await...

We have been meeting in our new home for a couple months now and are getting used to the quirks and eccentricities of the building, discovering what works well, and what needs improvement. We have had a couple fun social events, our first potluck gathering, and a newspaper article! New faces have been showing up, and lots of good conversation and laughs have been shared during coffee hour. And of course, our Worship committee continues to organize and provide thoughtful, provocative, and spiritually engaging services. What can we do better to serve our members and

friends? If you have ideas or comments, please take advantage of the suggestion box that I unearthed and placed on the back table. Although the box says “How was worship today?”, please use the paper and pen to offer thoughts or comments on anything about our Fellowship that is working really well for you, or not so much. We want this to be a warm and welcoming community, and a place to enrich and renew your spirit in 2024 and beyond!

In peace,

Julia Jackman, board chair  
[juliackjackman@gmail.com](mailto:juliackjackman@gmail.com)

### **Upcoming Worship Services**

If you or someone in your household is sick please join us via zoom.

This Sunday December 31, 2023 we will have a poetry service. Please bring a poem or other short inspirational writing to share. As it is New Years Eve the theme is new beginnings. We meet at 10:30 am at 1201 Division Street or on ZOOM

ZOOM Link:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81192245035?pwd=cVB0dGVkNkNanVqd3A4TkNNM1UwQT09>

### **Discussion Circle New Year's Eve**

Reflections on 2023 and our hopes for the coming year. Join us Sunday at 9:30 a.m. at one of the round tables. Coffee will be provided.

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### **Upcoming Services for January**

**January 7** Hosted by Michelle Pine who will speak to the Soul Matters Theme:

Liberating Love

Worship Committee meeting

**January 14** We will have a guest speaker, watch the newsletter for specifics.

Hosted by Katie Johnson

**January 21** Is the Social Justice Sunday Hosted by Lee Curran

Board Meeting will be held on zoom on Wednesday, January 24th at 4:00.

**January 28** We will continue our series from members of our congregation speaking on How you came to be a Unitarian Universalist Tentative speaker Mary Kelley Hosted by Cheryle-May Ramirez

Look for the next Newsletter on February 2nd. There will also be a weekly reminder on Friday and again on Sunday morning with the ZOOM link for that Sunday's service. I would welcome constructive feedback on how the newsletter can better serve you as a UUFKC member or friend, please email

Katie at [uufkcnewsletter@gmail.com](mailto:uufkcnewsletter@gmail.com).

### Joys and Concerns

- Nancie Carlson, now an Albany resident, is recovering from new hip surgery on Dec. 8th. She's doing great!
- Bob Millard is home after a month's hospitalization in Medford; and 60 lbs fighter. He went in for an anticipated standard heart surgery. Then, what better place for an added complication (a form of "heart attack"), than a hospital and great cardiac staff?!? Bob's doing well & making future travel plans.
- Carol Imani, in Portland since 2022, just had cataract surgeries.

Persistent blurriness is a bother. Please hold all these dear ones in your thoughts.

To have your joy or sorrow posted in the Newsletter, please email [uufkcnewsletter@gmail.com](mailto:uufkcnewsletter@gmail.com). First names, full names or anonymous joys and sorrows are welcome. Please keep it brief (one or two sentences).



## **Funds and Fundraising**

Do you have something you would like to sell and give them proceeds to the fellowship? If so please take a picture of the item and bring it to church and Michelle or Katie will be happy to help you post it and figure out a good way to get it to the buyer.

If you have any other fundraising ideas you would like to try please speak with any board members!

**Please donate as you are able:**

**Mail Donations to:**

PO Box 391

Klamath Falls, OR 97601

**Donate Via PayPal:** visit our PayPal donations page [HERE](#)

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## **Announcements**

- Host Needed: Please sign up to set up or clean up during Coffee Hour. It's an easy way to contribute to the community. Once a month or a couple of times a year, your help would be appreciated. We have a checklist and will soon have a brief training so all will run smoothly during this important time after the service.
- Your Justice Action Team recognizes that food security is a problem in our community. We will be collecting non-perishable food items, toilet paper, toiletries and pet food to be donated to the Quaker Food Pantry which will distribute these items the last two Tuesdays of the month. There is a plastic bin to place your donations; your generosity and care for our Beloved Community is much appreciated! If you have any questions, please reach out to Lee Curran [dfcurran@gmail.com](mailto:dfcurran@gmail.com) / 808 394-8792

## **News From the Wider Community**

# **Final Version of Article II Revision Available**



The [final draft of the Article II revision](#) is now available as is an updated version of the [flower graphic](#) you can use. Next steps:

- Read this new version. Absorb it. See how it resonates with you.
- You may want to amend it. If so:
- We have created a [submission form](#):

Please remember:

- All amendments need to be endorsed by at least 15 certified congregations (including the proposing congregation).
- Endorsement is by an action of the governing board or a vote of the congregation.
- The deadline for submitting an amendment is 11:59 p.m. Eastern on February 1, 2024.
- Specific details for submitting amendments are described in the form.

All qualified amendments will be considered at General Assembly 2024. Article II amendments require a 3/4 approval vote to be incorporated. Once any amendments have been resolved, a 2/3 approval vote is required to adopt a new version of Article II.

Thank you for your engagement in this process. This is one of the ways that

Unitarian Universalism is alive in this world.

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## Help Wanted

The Unitarian Universalist Fellowship of Klamath County relies on volunteers to make our Sunday services flow, provide enjoyable coffee hours and social events, and engage with the wider community. And now that we have a building and garden, we have a variety of needs related to the maintenance and upkeep of our space. If you are interested in helping out in any way through our committees or other activities, please contact Julia Jackman at [juliackjackman@gmail.com](mailto:juliackjackman@gmail.com)

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

**Worship**: Cheryle Ramirez chair, Michelle Pine and Katie Johnson

**Religious Education (children)**: Tammy Walchak

**Justice Action Team**: Chair Lee Curran, Faith Leith, Bill Lewis, Julia Jackman, Connie Devry, Clio Deardoff, Cheryle Ramirez.

**Fellowship**: Coordinator/Chair, VACANT

- Membership & Cares and Concerns sub-committee: Bill Lewis, Barbara



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- Hospitality sub-committee: Faith Leith
- Socials and Fun: Connie Devry, Tammy Walchak

**Building and Grounds**: Coordinator/Chair, David Ramirez

- Garden sub-committee: Julia Jackman (temporary)

**Stewardship**: Mary Kelley chair, Barbara Turk

**Communications**: Katie Johnson, Don Leith, Bill Lewis

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**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 Katie Johnson at: [uufkcnewsletter@gmail.com](mailto:uufkcnewsletter@gmail.com)**

### **Pledge to Support UUFKC**

Find this year's pledge request letter from our Board [HERE](#), download a pledge form to return by mail or email [HERE](#), and/or visit our PayPal donations page [HERE](#) to make a one-time or monthly payment toward your pledge.

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