



The Chalice – October 2024

From Our Director of Congregational Life

Hi everyone, what a beautiful fall we have had. Time to think about outside clean up – leaves and such.

This month we are having a special speaker, Judith Fisher, representing the groups Climate Action London, Greening Sacred Spaces and Greening Health. On Sun. Oct. 27, Brian Keith will lead a service focussing on Justice as it pertains to our Environment. Special guest I look forward to her presentation. She had a booth at our rhubarb fest if she looks familiar.

On November 30, there will be a sermon writing seminar with Dr. F. Wooden who spoke to us last year. Dr. Wooden is going to give a sermon on Sunday December 1st that I know we will all enjoy.

Alas I will not graduate this December but in January. I have too much on my plate right now and have had to drop Biblical Greek as many have heard me bemoan as very difficult. Not to worry, I will graduate at the end of Spring 2025, and as Rabbi Brian said(my internship is with his Religion Outside the Box ministry) I am old enough that doing one more semester really does not matter!

We have a very busy fall and early winter planned with our annual fundraising and maybe, a trivia night if we can get it together. The Friday Frolic and Tree trimming will happen on December 6, 2024 and we invite all adults and children to take part.

Again, thanks to all for your support and caring. That is what it is all about. I am here if anyone needs me and can be reached at 519-859-1640 or lorisotte@gmail.com

From the Social Justice Team

October 10, 12 noon to 1:00 PM at Covent Garden Market. Join members of the community on “World Homeless Action Day” for the annual Soup N’ Bread, and to remember those who have died preventable deaths due to homelessness within the City of London this year. Organized by the London Homeless Coalition. All are welcome!

“It is not enough to be compassionate. You must act.” Quote from the Dalai Lama

From Your Board Secretary

October is shaping up to be a busy month at UFL!

After our potluck service on October 6th, we will be hosting a volunteer fair where members of various committees will be available to answer your questions about how to get involved in church life.

We will also be having a “work party” on Saturday October 19, which is a drop in event running from 9:00am to 4:00pm, where we will put in a bit of elbow grease to make minor repairs to the building, tidy the garden, and organize and clean up some of our back rooms. It will be a time for socializing as well as working, so don’t miss out on the comradery and pride in a job well done.

I also want to bring to your attention to our second movie night, which will be happening Saturday October 26, with doors opening at 6:00 and the moving starting at 6:30. Stay tuned for more info as we get closer to the event!

Finally, if you have any interest in helping to organize a UFL Trivia Night, please send me an email at jennifer.sadler@gmail.com. I’d love to hear from you!

Sunday Services

OCTOBER 2024


Envisioning a world filled with great joy


Service Leader: Robert Harrington

The service for Oct 6 will follow the evensong format. A potluck and our volunteer fair will follow

Liberation is our theme for this month. Let us find ways to free ourselves and our world from all of the evil that comes from the hearts and minds of people. Let us envision a world filled with great joy and beauty. A world that we want to come back to for many lives yet.

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 10:45 AM - 11:45 AM


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CUC Meaning Making Series

Service Leader: Laura Beth Falter

Part of the CUC Meaning Making series

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Liberation Theology

Service Leader: Lori Otte

Why should we care about helping the oppressed?

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Eco-injustice in London


Service Leader: Brian Keith

Brian Keith will lead a service focussing on Justice as it pertains to our Environment. Special guest Judith Fisher, representing the groups Climate Action London, Greening Sacred Spaces and the Greening Health Collaborative, will share examples of Eco-injustice in London. She will describe local initiatives underway to address Eco-injustice, and we will discuss how we might individually and collectively imagine a better future.

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 **27 OCT**

 10:45 AM - 11:45 AM

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Upcoming Events

Volunteer Fair!

After the potluck service on Sunday October 6 , there will be a volunteer fair! Members of many of our teams and committees will be available to answer any questions that you may have about joining up. If you have been on the fence about joining a team or committee, this is a great opportunity to learn more and maybe even sign up to help!

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 12:00 PM - 1:00 PM


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Soup Siblings' Luncheon

Join us on the second Monday of the month at Edgar and Joe's at the Goodwill downtown at 255 Horton St. Don't worry about arriving late; just come in and join our table.(Note: Goodwill offers senior discounts in their store this day.)

 **14 OCT**

 12:00 PM

 Edgar and
Joe's at the
Goodwill
Downtown

255 Horton St

UFL Book Club – The Most Precious Substance on Earth by Sasha Bhat

The UFL Book Club has been around for 38 or 39 years, just slightly more than half of the ULF's existence. The UFL Book Club meets on the third Tuesday of the month from 2-4 pm. Our next meeting will be on October 15, 2024, 2-4 pm, most likely in-person, at the UFL. The book we will be reading and discussing in October is 'The Most Precious Substance on Earth' by Sasha Bhat.

I would like to say thank-you to all the members who were able to make it to our inaugural 2024-2025 UFL Book Club meeting on Tuesday Sept. 17th. A few of our members could not make it including myself, Alice. Many members contributed in many ways to ensure the meeting occurred. All reports were that the meeting was a success. The UFL Book Club is a group of wonderful Unitarians.

If you are interested in joining the UFL Book Club please contact me, Alice Wehlau, the coordinator of the Book Club. I hope to hear from you. My contact information is as follows: Alice Wehlau, Email alice.wehlau@gmail.com, Telephone (519) 619-2127.


Work Party

Get ready to roll up your sleeves and help us work towards clean and organized back rooms and tidy gardens. Join us for both a chance to socialize and to really help make ufl shine! Feel free to drop in for an hour or two, any time from 9:00am to 4:00pm. Any help you can provide is appreciated, including bringing a dish to help fuel our work.

UFL Men's Lunch

A warm welcome is extended to men within our Congregation who

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 2:00 PM - 4:00 PM


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 19 OCT

 9:00 AM - 4:00 PM


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 21 OCT

 1:00 PM - 2:30 PM

would like to join other Unitarian Universalist men for food and conversation on Monday, October 21 at 1:00 pm., at the Family Circle Restaurant, at 147 Wellington St. London.

The UU Men's Lunch Group meets monthly for lunch, on the third Monday. The normal attendance is 6-8 men. A warm welcome awaits you.




Tom Orchard, <tomjoyorchard@gmail.com>, emails members of the group the week before the monthly lunch, to determine who will be attending. You may contact Tom Orchard or Bill Ratcliffe, wratcliffe@sympatico.ca, if you have any questions. Hope to see you at the next lunch.

UFL Movie Night

Join us for movie night at the UFL. Every fourth Saturday of the month, we will be playing a new movie to delight you. Come for the movie, stay for the discussion and comraderie. Snacks and pizza will be provided. More information coming soon.

Doors open at 6:00pm, Movie starts at 6:30pm.

 Family Circle
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 6:00 PM - 9:00
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