



Marquette
Unitarian
Universalist
Congregation

August 2017

CHRONICLE

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Sundays in August	
6	Northern UUs Summer Camp Weekend Bewabic State Park
13	11am Service: "Climate and Public Health" John Forslin Service Leader: Kathy Campbell
20	11am Service: "Summer" Service Leader: Heidi Gould Service @ Lakenenland
27	11am Service: "How I Perceive Sacredness" Guest Speaker: David Arnold Service Leader: Barb Michael

Northern UUs Summer Camp Weekend August 4 – 6 @ Bewabic State Park

(There will be no Sunday service at the Meeting House Sunday, August 6)

Last year's UUUP Summer Retreat was a hit, so we're doing it again this year. Plan to camp out with us or stay at a nearby hotel the weekend of **August 4 - 6th**. This year, in addition to the UP UUs, we're inviting members from the nearby Northwoods UU Fellowship from Woodruff, WI - truly making it a Northern UU bonding experience!

Join us for Family Games, Potluck dinners, Saturday Music, Singing & Drum Circle by the Fire, and an outdoor Sunday Service @ the Pavilion!



Sunday, August 13 - Climate and Public Health. John Forslin will present a video of one of the panel discussions at the Climate and Health conference last winter at the Carter Center in Atlanta, sponsored, in part, by the Centers for Disease Control. "I have been to a lot of conferences...but this one is by far the best I have ever seen. Very to the point....The health dimension is relatively unreported, but basic to the reasons we care about climate issues at all. No collapsing bridges, no mudslides burying villages. Just people getting sick because they have to breathe hot, dirty air and the consequences downstream."

Sunday, August 27 – David will present alternative perspective on the question "what is sacred?" He suggests looking at sacredness not as a quality possessed by exterior objects, but a quality of human experience of those objects, more akin to beauty or fear, and equally malleable by culture and training. He'll draw some justification from his own experiences and a quick survey of how sacredness is treated in a few religions, and then turn to how this perspective has affected his living.

Membership

How to Join the Marquette UU Congregation?

Summer is a time when we often get more visitors at the Marquette UU Congregation. We want to welcome you and encourage you to attend to see if we might be a good fit for you. Please feel free to ask questions about how we do things and why. It is so helpful to know what newcomers are wondering and thinking. These questions help us improve and reflect more deeply about our faith.

The mechanics of joining the Marquette UU are quite simple and involve two steps. First, a new member needs to sign our Membership Book in the presence of one of our Board members, who witnesses your signature. Signing can be arranged on any Sunday before or after a service. Your signature means that you agree with the Seven Principles of Unitarian Universalism (listed on our website and in our program each Sunday).

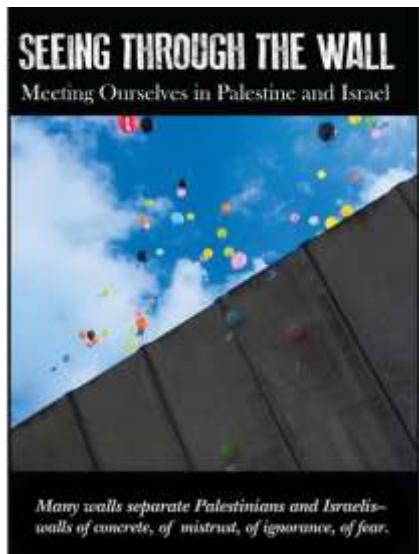
The second step involves making a financial pledge of any amount for the remainder of the current fiscal year. We ask for a pledge that reflects fiscal responsibility to you and your family as well as reflects the value of what the congregation offers you. We hope the value to you will grow over the years with deepening friendships, personal growth, and excellent programming for both adults and children. Membership is maintained by making a new pledge each year.

Finally, we hope our members will show up and get involved with our activities. Members might attend church on Sundays, join a committee, offer a Sunday service, help with our youth activities or participate in a sponsored event or ongoing group. Involvement can take many forms. By showing up, relationships are built and our community becomes stronger. Membership allows you to vote on church issues and help us chart our course forward.

Any of our Board members will be happy to visit with you more about becoming a member. We hope you will join us in the journey!

Welcome!

FROM: Faith in Action



Join the community for a MqtUU Faith in Action film at the Peter White Public Library at 7 pm on Thursday, Aug. 24. This one is "**Seeing Through the Wall**" created during a 2016 journey to Israel and Palestine by a group of Americans. "Many walls separate Palestinians and Israelis - walls of concrete, of mistrust, of ignorance, of fear." Join us as we learn and reflect on others' experiences. gg gordon will facilitate the discussion following the film and share some accounts of events while she was there. The film is free, and refreshments will be provided. Bring a friend and discover whether or not you might agree with what these two men are saying.

August "Share the Plate" Recipient:



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MqtUU August Calendar

Sunday Services are listed on the front page and all other events scheduled are at the MqtUU Meeting House (unless otherwise noted).

August 4 - 6 Friday – Sunday	Northern UU Summer Camp Weekend @ Bewabic State Park (No Service at the Meeting House)
August 13 @ 12:30pm Sunday	MqtUU Board of Trustees Meeting

Our Mission Statement:

We, the members of the Marquette Unitarian Universalist Congregation, are:
Brought Together by a Core Belief in the Power of Love
and are Committed to Building Beloved Community.

We Care for, Nurture and Support the Spiritual Growth of One Another:
We Share Reverence for our Natural Environment and are dedicated to the
Respectful Stewardship of the Earth: and We Work Together to Bend the Moral Arc of the Universe
Toward Justice, Fairness and Compassion.

"Bumper Sticker" Version:

MqtUU...Building Beloved Community for ourselves and all beings.

FROM: The UUA

UUA President the Rev. Susan Frederick-Gray issued the following statement in response to Donald Trump's plan to ban transgender people from serving in the U.S. military:

Yesterday's announcement from President Trump that he is barring transgender individuals from serving in the U.S. military is an act of blatant discrimination against transgender citizens. As Unitarian Universalists, we denounce President Trump's claim that allowing transgender persons to serve in the United States military would be a burden and a disruption. We believe that transgender people should be accorded all the rights and responsibilities due every citizen, including the right to serve our country in the military. Today, more than 15,000 transgender Americans are on active duty in the military, and their status is now thrown into question.



In reversing the decision made last year by President Obama's administration, President Trump not only undermines the strength and readiness of our armed forces but also goes back on his campaign pledge to support the LGBTQ community. We call upon the Trump administration to uphold the American values of equality and service by reversing yesterday's discriminatory decision.



MqtUU Peace Camp happening Firday August 25 @ the property of Nancy Irish. For more information see Jamie Kuehn!

Don't Forget to Vote in the August 8 Primary

109th District State Representative Candidates:

Rich Rossway (R), Sara Cambensy (D), Tom Curry (D), Joe Derocha (D), Jeremy Hosking (D)

Also on the ballot: City Commission & Board of Light and Power

For more information on candidates check out Vote411.org



The Marquette Interfaith Forum and the Marquette Baha'i Community present the fourth monthly presentation on World Religions on Wednesday, August 9, at 7 PM in the Shiras Room of the Peter White Public Library. This presentation will be on **Christianity** and the **speakers** will be the **Revs. Kristi and Christopher Hintz** of the **Marquette Hope** churches

Please plan on attending and also invite your friends, schools, religious and civic organizations to attend. This presentation series is free and all are welcome. ~ Aaron Scholnik