



Marquette
Unitarian
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Congregation

May 2019 Early Edition

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	Sundays in May
5	11am Service: "Acts of Creation: The Sacred Place of Art in Our Lives" February Sky
12	11am Service: "With Care and Affection" Kathryn Campbell
19	11am Service: "Flower Communion" Teri Rockwood
26	11am Service: "Memorial day: A rainbow to remember" Amber Afraid of Bear

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the web at mqtuu.org



Soul Matters May Theme: Curiosity

"Maybe answers are just resting places on the way to better questions." *Mark Causey*

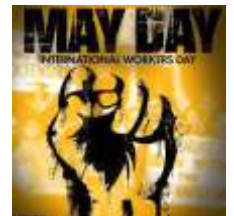
May 1



Beltane Blessings

In general, the Wiccan Beltane is more akin to the Germanic/English May Day festival, both in its significance (focusing on fertility) and its rituals (such as maypole dancing). Some Wiccans enact a ritual union of the May Lord and May Lady.

International Workers' Day, also known as Workers' Day, May Day or Labor Day in some countries and often referred to as May Day, is a celebration of laborers and the working classes that is promoted by the international labor movement.



May 12



May 19

MqtUU Congregational Meeting!

May 27



OFFICIAL START OF SUMMER!

Sunday, May 5



“Acts of Creation: The Sacred Place of Art in Our Lives”

February Sky (Susan Urban & Phil Cooper)

Can you imagine life without art? Art and artists not only add beauty to our world, they also soothe, delight and challenge us with unique visions that can inspire us and broaden our horizons. Also, we believe that by making art ourselves, we become one with the divine creative.

Sunday, May 12

"With Care and Affection"

Kathy Campbell

My mother trained to be a teacher at a time when married women usually didn't work outside the home, especially if they had children. In addition to public school, I benefited from a lot of home-schooling from an excellent teacher who had no other teaching outlet-- plus, she loved me.

My mother continues to inspire many of the things I care about today. Sometimes she is with me in small but spiritual ways, such as during the Women's March. Sometimes I have a sense of her when I read a book or hear music that I know she would love.

"To mother" is "to bring up with care and affection."

Let us come together on May 12th and share some of those times when we are reminded of someone-- no matter their gender or biological relationship to us-- who nurtured us with their care and affection and thus nourished us spiritually.

Hope to see you May 12!



Sunday, May 19



“Flower Communion”

Teri Rockwood

"Join us for a Traditional Service called the Flower Communion and be embraced by the history in our UU Roots. Bring a flower or bud to add to the vases of our Beloved Community and be moved when you give and receive from each other". Three participants are needed for the reading of Norbert Capek's story. If you are interested, please contact me at teri.rockwood@gmail.com or (906) 235-8064

Sunday, May 26

“Memorial Day: A Rainbow to Remember” Amber Afraid of Bear

“She then campaigned to have the poppy adopted as a national symbol of remembrance. At a conference in 1920, the National American Legion adopted it as their official symbol of remembrance.” Find out who thought of the popular idea now used around the USA to remember the fallen. Which color of “A rainbow to remember” will YOU enjoy best?

Come and join us to find out!



May Special Collection Recipient:



The Women's Center, Inc. supports victims/survivors of domestic and sexual violence in Alger and Marquette Counties through programs that Protect, Educate, Advocate, Counsel and Empower! (PEACE).

wcmqt.org

Sunday, May 5

10:30 a.m. Budget Forum @ MqtUU Meetinghouse

Hosted by the Board of Trustees

An opportunity for members to review the proposed budget before the vote at the May 19 Congregational Meeting.



MqtUU Board of Trustees Meeting



Thursday, May 9 @ 6:30PM

Baraga Room, Ramada Inn, Marquette

You are invited to come, meet the board members and share your thoughts, concerns and suggestions on how to build and strengthen our Beloved Community.

MqtUU Board of Trustees

Anne Stark, President

Dave Stensaas, Vice President

Mary Maki, Secretary

Kathryn Campbell, Trustee

Sari Embley, Trustee



Please direct any questions, concerns and ideas to the MqtUU Board of Trustees to MqtUUBoT@gmail.com.



All members are invited to consider volunteering as a member of the Board of Trustees. Trustees serve two year terms. There are monthly meetings and lots of opportunity to make a difference in your congregation! Please contact Teri Rockwood if you are interested in volunteering as a member of the Board of Trustees!

VOLUNTEERS are **WELCOME** and needed for continuing support of the MqtUU Congregation. Why **volunteer**? People choose to **volunteer** for a variety of reasons. For some it offers the chance to give something back to the community or make a difference to the people around them. For others it provides an opportunity to develop new skills or build on existing experience and knowledge. MqtUU offers many opportunities to volunteer! If you are interested in utilizing your skills and talents in service of the MqtUU Community please email Heidi mqtuadassist@gmail.com for more information! **THANK YOU!**

OPPORTUNITIES TO VOLUNTEER:

If you've ever felt the calling to deliver a service, but have no idea of what to say or how to choose readings or music, we now have amazing help. For more information about Soul Matters contact Heidi mqtuadassist@gmail.com.



Don't Forget to Save your Econo Receipts!

Add your saved Econo receipts to those in the box in the entryway of the Meeting House to be redeemed for 1% of the total!

We just collected a check for \$695

Keep bringing in those receipts.

THANK YOU!



COMMUNITY EVENTS:



MIF First Friday Meeting

May 3 at the PWPL Shiras Room @ 11:30 AM to 1:00 PM.

This will be the last MIF meeting until Friday, September 6.

Our **topic** is ***"What do Religions have to say about Happiness?"***

Actually, quite a lot. The Eastern religions do--Buddhism, Hinduism, Confucianism address happiness.

Judaism--"Happiness or Simcha in Judaism is considered an important element in the service of God. The biblical verse "worship The Lord with gladness; come before him with joyful songs," {Psalm 100:2} stresses joy in the service of God."

Then there are St. Augustine and Thomas Aquinas: "all men agree in desiring the last end, which is happiness."

Meg Goodrich proposed the topic and she and **Paul Sturgul** will lead and facilitate our discussion.

Please plan to attend and send me your own personal and religion's approach to Happiness. I will be happy to send out your missives and/or links so that we can all be prepared for the discussion.

I suspect that this topic may carry over to our following meeting in September as we may initially have to define Happiness before we actually can decipher what each religion is talking about.

Check the weekly This 'n' That for more Community Events and share events of interest by emailing info to mqtuadassist@gmail.com. **THANK YOU!**



You are invited to share your thoughts, comments, favorite photos, favorite quotes, recipes, events, and articles of interest to your fellow UUs! What would you like to see in your monthly UU Newsletter? Email your submissions to Heidi at mqtuadassist@gmail.com.