CUUPs Beltane Ritual - April 30

Beltane is a time to celebrate fertility and the greening of the earth, to honor the arrival of spring and new life. We invite those of you who are interested in participating. We will hold the ritual promptly at 6pm, in hybrid format (in-person/Zoom). There will be no potluck.

First Friday Potluck - May 5

Please join us in the UUFCM Fellowship Hall at 6:30pm (doors open at 6:15) for food, conversation, and games! Coffee, hot tea, and water will be provided. If you are able, please bring a dish to pass.

Drawing Workshop - Starting May 9

Starting on Tuesday, May 9, from 10-12 noon, Nancy Roeder will conduct a drawing workshop for all interested members. You can bring in any artwork that you are doing with a drawing medium and she will offer help and answer questions about the piece you are working on. It can be almost any drawing medium: graphite pencils, charcoal pencils, colored pencils, pastels, pen and ink, pastel pencils, conte crayons, and possibly others. Please do not bring any type of paint. She plans to meet every second and fourth Tuesday of the month from 10-12. She will bring some books and photographs to use to pick projects and/or subjects. Nancy has a degree in fine arts from Washington University in St Louis. Please feel free to contact her with questions at neverenoughcats33@ qmail.com. Sponsored by the Adult RE Committee.

Scrap Metal Drive - May 12

We are planning a metal drive on May 12 to earn money for some good cause at the UUFCM, such as Leadership Development. As you begin to unthaw from winter and muck about in your garage, basement, shed, or barn, please set aside any metal that you would like to donate. We can take appliances, but check with Laura McBride to see if anything needs to be drained. No electronic waste is accepted (computers, printer, TVs, etc.). You may call/text/email her at 989.772.5512 or Lmcbride010@gmail. com. Details for drop off and pick up will be shared soon.

Save for This Year's Garage Sale

Every two years in the spring, we hold an all-Fellowship garage sale with profits dedicated to a variety of projects, the last sale paying for our new front doors. As you are doing any spring housecleaning and come across items you could donate, please hold on to them for the mid-June sale. If you have questions, please contact Norma Bailey (989.560.3952; baile1nj@cmich.edu).

Article II Amendment Workshops

At General Assembly 2023, Unitarian Universalists will take an initial vote on possible changes to Article II of the UUA Bylaws, which includes the current UUA purposes, principles, sources, and clauses on inclusion and freedom of belief. The UUA Board is hosting three Zoom workshops for discussion of these possible changes that are open to all Unitarian Universalists. See the eNews for additional information and links.



The Week Ahead at the UUFCM...

Sun	4/30		Welcome to UU Orientation CUUPs Beltane Ritual
Mon	5/1	7:00 p.m.	UUFCM Men's Group
Tue	5/2	6:45 p.m.	Building Team Meeting Central Michigan Sangha Worship Team Meeting
Wed	5/3		UU Discussion Group at UUFCM Choir Rehearsal
Fri	5/5	6:30 p.m.	First Friday Potluck
Sun	5/7	10:30 a.m.	Worship Service Infant Pantry Collection
		1:00 p.m.	UUFCM Board Meeting
		1:30 p.m.	Fellowship Life Coord. Team Meeting
		7:00 p.m.	COVID Task Force Meeting

For complete information, see our calendar at *uufcm.org/calendar*

Stewardship Drive

We are in the clean-up phase of our stewardship drive. So far 81% of our members as well as several friends have pledged, for a total of \sim \$133,000. Our goal is \$142,649, so we are nearing the end! Since our goal is that 100% of our members make a pledge



for the 2023-2024 year, we need the rest of you to complete a pledge form, hopefully today. If you haven't yet pledged and you have misplaced your pledge packet, you can get a paper copy at the Fellowship today, or pledge online at the Donate! button: *uufcm.org/donate*.

If you have questions, contact anyone on the Stewardship Committee — Mary Alsager, Norma Bailey, Drew Frantz, Gisela Moffit, Darlene Ritchie, and Amy Voege.

Welcome to UU Orientation - Today

This orientation is geared to newcomers, visitors, and those seeking to learn more about Unitarian Universalism and this UU fellowship. It is offered every month both in person in the fellowship hall and via Zoom, typically on the last Sunday at 12:30 pm. Sessions run approximately an hour and a half.