



**SALTWATER UNITARIAN  
UNIVERSALIST CHURCH**



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Unitarian Universalist congregations affirm and promote seven principles which we hold as strong values and moral guides.

- The inherent worth and dignity of every person;
- Justice, equity and compassion in human relations;
- Acceptance of one another and encouragement to spiritual growth in our congregations;
- A free and responsible search for truth and meaning;
- The right of conscience and the use of the democratic process within our congregations and in society at large;
- The goal of world community with peace, liberty, and justice for all;
- Respect for the interdependent web of all existence of which we are a part.

We live out these principles within a “living tradition” of wisdom and spirituality, drawn from sources as diverse as science, poetry, scripture, and personal experience. These are the six sources we affirm and promote:

- Direct experience of that transcending mystery and wonder, affirmed in all cultures, which moves us to a renewal of the spirit and an openness to the forces which create and uphold life;
- Words and deeds of prophetic women and men which challenge us to confront powers and structures of evil with justice, compassion, and the transforming power of love;
- Wisdom from the world's religions which inspires us in our ethical and spiritual life;
- Jewish and Christian teachings which call us to respond to God's love by loving our neighbors as ourselves;
- Humanist teachings which counsel us to heed the guidance of reason and the results of science, and warn us against idolatries of the mind and spirit;
- Spiritual teachings of Earth-centered traditions which celebrate the sacred circle of life and instruct us to live in harmony with the rhythms of nature.

UU Church to its next phase in south King County.

Janeane Weprin has really been a UU her whole life, but she did not realize it until she began attending Countryside UU Church in Palatine, IL in 1999. She was a member there for 10 years, sang in the choir, and was actively involved as a leader in various committees and covenant groups. When she moved to Washington, she found Saltwater Church and immediately joined the choir, and also served on the Worship Team during James' last year.

Janeane works full-time as Program Chair for Liberal Arts at The Art Institute of Seattle. She has over 30 years experience in education, and has a bachelor degree in applied math and a masters in education. She lives in a large extended family household with her daughter, son-in-law, two grandchildren, sister, two dogs and one cat. She is excited and honored to be nominated for the board. She feels that it is the best way she can serve the church, and thus, serve the greater community, and the world. She feels that the work of the board is a good fit for her professional, church, and life experience.

As Janeane told Lisa when she called to ask her about the possibility of serving on the board, “it feels like something that she is being called to do”.

AND The Nominating Team is pleased to announce that Debra Valpey has volunteered to serve on the board for one year, while Susan Aigner serves on the Ministerial Search Team. It is not possible to simultaneously be on the board and the ministerial search team. After the ministerial search is concluded in June 2018, Susan will return to the board to finish her 3 year term of service.

**Ministerial Search Team!** Without further adieu, they are Susan Aigner, Daniel Key, Suzanne Laurel, Meri Murphy, Daniel Nzabanita, Amanda Radak, and Tom Spohn.

May 28, 2017



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**News You Need to Know**

**Happenings...**

**Sunday, May 28**

10:30 Worship (S)  
11:45 Tea with the B (S)

**Monday, May 29**

Office Closed for Memorial Day

6:30 AI Anon (S)

**Tuesday, May 30**

9:00 Himawari School (LH)  
6:00 Bet Chaverim (WR, )  
7:30 Meditation (WR)

**Wednesday, May 31**

*Weekly Publicity Deadline*

9:30 Writer's Group (WR)  
10: 00 Himawari School (LH)

Noon: Lunch Bunch (WR)

**Thursday, June 1**

9: 00 Himawari School (LH) (WR)

7:00 Choir Practice (S)

**Friday, June 2**

9:30 Playgroup (LAR)  
7:00 Bet Chaverim (S, WR, Kit)

**Saturday, June 3**

9:00 Stewardship Petal (CO)

9:30 Kent Int'l Festival (off-site)

10:00 AAUW (S, WR, K)

**Sunday, June 4**

10:30 Worship (S)

10:30 OWL (LAR, LR2)

11:50 SCAN (LAR)

Noon Elder Issues (WR)

1:00 Chalice Circle (LH1)

*this week's*  
**ORDER OF SERVICE**

*Memorial Day Service*

*Kindness is my religion.* – Dalai lama

**Prelude**

**Opening Words**

**Light the Chalice**

**Hymn** “All Earth’s Critics”

**Children’s Conversation**

**Singing the Children Out**

**Welcome**

**Offering Words**

**Offertory**

**Joys and Sorrows**

**Music**

**Reading Meditation, Prayer and Silence**

**Music**

**Message of the Morning**  
*My Dear Friend Jane*  
Debra Valpey

*A Jelly Bean for Halloween*  
Evelyn Gibb

*The Rose*  
Carol Mohler

*The Human Spirit*  
Barbara Bascom

*Have You Heard the One About the Farmer’s Daughter Who Married the Traveling Salesman?*  
Sally Caldwell

**Extinguish the Chalice**

**Benediction**

*Special thanks to*  
Sally Caldwell and those who worked with her to offer this service.

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Sunday Worship 10:30 a.m.

Minister: Rev. Helen Carroll  
*For appointments, call or send email to:*  
minister@saltwaterchurch.org

Director of Family Ministries:  
Melinda Einander  
*For appointments, call or send email to:*  
melinda@saltwaterchurch.org

## From the Board

### Tea with the B!

Join your Board of Directors on the last Sunday of every month for an informal tea/coffee in the Sanctuary at 11:45am. Bring your questions and concerns so we can have a discussion! All are welcome. The next gathering is TODAY.

**Board Meetings** are held on the first Tuesday of every month from 7-9 p.m. in the Meeting Room and Zoom Room. All members are welcome to attend either in person or virtually. If you plan to join us, please let Lisa know at [Lun-derhi@gmail.com](mailto:Lun-derhi@gmail.com)

### June 11 Congregational Meeting

Mark your calendars for our upcoming Congregational Meeting on June 11 at 11:45. Agenda items include SALTY Awards, proposed Bylaws changes, Ministerial Search Team Slate, Board and Nominating Team Nominees, UUA President affirmation, LRP and budget presentation, and an Endowment Fund announcement. Check out the Board bulletin board in the coming weeks to see previous Minutes, the 2018 budget, Board Nominee bios, and a membership list. Childcare has been requested, so please let Melinda know how many of your children to expect at

[melinda@saltwaterchurch.org](mailto:melinda@saltwaterchurch.org)  
See you there!

### SALTY Awards!

At our June 11 Congregational Meeting, we will be taking time to recognize some of the people who have really stood out this year for their service to our congregation. Here's your chance to let us know who has made an impression on you! Please take some time to nominate a few of your fellow congregants by filling out a quick online form at [Saltwaterchurch.org/saltyawards](http://Saltwaterchurch.org/saltyawards). Submission deadline is Thursday, June 1.

## Community

### From a former member...

My name is Scott Hutcheson. With my brother, Zane Hutcheson, and my niece, Nina, we were regular attendees of Saltwater Church, seven years ago. I am now dealing with terminal cancer. Though I am really sick, my death is not imminent. I'm working with my oncologist on a treatment plan, hoping the existing cancer will shrink again and not

spread, and we are able to extend my life further.

I would love to hear from people who remember me, at [hutch-scott@hotmail.com](mailto:hutch-scott@hotmail.com) or 253-839-4366. I will plan a memorial party at Good Shepherd Episcopal Church, Federal Way, and they will notify Saltwater Church at a future date, and you are invited to attend. Thank you.

### Shawl Supply Is Low

Saltwater church extends it's hands toward those experiencing distress by offering a supportive shawl or lap blanket. Right now we can use a few more. If you're able to knit, or crochet, please see Denise Yanega or Debra Valpey for instructions in making one.

## Growth and Learning

### New Art Wall Display!

Please be sure to visit our Art Wall in the Welcoming Room to view the delightful creations by Saltwater's own Jessica Alexander. The current Art Wall also features work by Debra Valpey, watercolor and acrylic painter, and a lovely Cardinal painting by Bob Kenney's son-in law. Debra also does pet portraits. If you would like your, or a friends of yours art work featured on the Art Wall, just contact Debra Valpey, Art Wall Coordinator, at [debravalpey@comcast.net](mailto:debravalpey@comcast.net) or 206-243-5566 or 206-953-5704. Let's celebrate beauty and creativity!

**Please join the Adult RE team** for the final class of the *Elder Issues Series* will be held on Sunday, June 4, 2017 at noon in the sanctuary. The topics will be housing options and guardianships. This class will have useful information for all, par-

ticularly those who may need to explore housing options for themselves or others, and those who have elderly relatives who will need a higher level of care in the near future.

### Summer Classes for Children and Youth

This summer, the children will explore a variety of spiritual practices: music, body prayer, meditation, poetry, and more. Youth will learn more about the leadership teams and groups at Saltwater Church. Please consider signing up for one Sunday this summer to talk with the youth group about your church leadership involvement, or to share a spiritual practice that is meaningful to you with the children. Summer classes meet at 10:30. Contact Melinda Einander or watch for sign up sheets in the Welcome Room.

## Our Ministries of Support

## Never an End to Learning

### Will you serve?

Religious education is a vital part of Saltwater Church. Our classes and groups for adults, youth, and children provide enriching and even life-changing ways to nurture your spiritual growth and expand your understanding of yourself and your beliefs. Consider serving on the Adult RE team or the Chalice Circle team, or serving as a chalice circle facilitator, or on the Family Ministries team. Teaching in our Family Ministries program is one of the most profound *adult* faith development activities that we offer. Your life is just as likely to be transformed by this experience as the children and youth that you teach. So, when you get the question, please say "YES!" when you are ready. Learning and growing together is one of the things our church does really well—I hope you will answer the call to get involved.

## Social Responsibility

**Share the Plate:** for May is Hospitality House

### Kent International Festival...

Sat. June 3rd. Saltwater Church will have an information table at the Kent International Festival. The festival celebrates cultural diversity as represented by the many ethnic groups living in the Kent Area. The Festival is at ShoWare Center in Kent (625 West James St.) from 10 a.m - 5 p.m, on Sat. June 3rd. The Outreach and Welcoming Team is looking for volunteers to help staff our information table and also represent Saltwater Church in the ½ mile "World Widewalk"

that opens the festival at 9:30 a.m. Contact: Joy Werlink if you are interested in participating. More information about the festival and route of the Worldwide Walk is available at: <http://www.kentinternationalfestival.com>

### Vote for the Next President...

At this year's General Assembly in New Orleans, delegates from congregations across the country will elect the next President of the UUA. In these troubled times in the nation and in the denomination, choosing a president to lead the UUA through the next six years is more important than ever.

## Right Relationship with the World

As a member of the congregation, take a moment to check out the main bulletin board in the welcoming room. Become familiar with the candidates and vote for your choice. Place your ballot in the ballot box by the board. The congregation's choice will be affirmed at the congregational meeting on June 11.

**Saltwater Climate Action Now!** team will hold its next meeting on Sunday, June 4, following the service (11:50 am) in the Large Activity Room in the Light-house. All are welcome. Light snacks will be served.

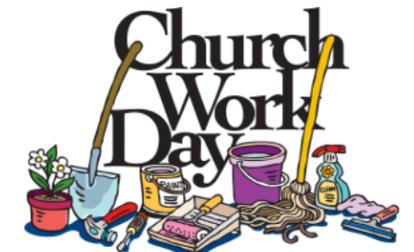
## Stewardship

**Have you been wanting to help** but are not sure what needs to be done? Are the work parties always on days you have other plans? The Facilities and Grounds team has the perfect opportunity for you! We have a list of several maintenance/repair tasks that need doing. None should take more than a few hours and may be completed at whatever time works for you. If you would like to take on any of the tasks below, please contact Karin Leisy (425.922.1161 ka-

## Care for Buildings, Grounds and Programs

[ringleisy@comcast.net](mailto:ringleisy@comcast.net)) for more information.

- Window cleaning in the Sanctuary
- Second coat of paint on the eave
- Paint the Lighthouse deck
- Build shelves in janitors closet
- Repair porch light sensor
- Fill crack in nursery window
- Paint trim on east door to Welcome Room



## Worship

## At the Center of our Spiritual Lives

### Upcoming Services

June 4, "Goodbye/Hello"

Rev Helen Carroll

June 11, "Mother of Exiles" -

Spring Music Service

June 18, "The Spirit of Love Unites Us"

Rev Helen Carroll

June 25, "My Journey Through Three

Songs, Three Poems, and Three Countries" Tophen Benum

### Notes for Bridging Youth

At the bridging service on June 4 we will welcome each of our new young adults with a collection of notes and cards. I encourage you to write notes to our bridging youth sharing what you appreciate about them and wishing them well in the future: Matt Radak, Kathryn Gutleben, Gally Nash, Jim Currier, Everson Thrushlund, Bradley Blaylock, Shaylin Blaylock, and Nathan Murphy. Notes may be brought to the service, or given to Melinda Einander in advance.

