

UniFire

April 2019

Services Every Sunday at 10:00 a.m.

*We celebrate community and
promote spirituality,
justice, responsibility,
and compassion.*

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How to 'ZOOM' to UUCY Sunday Services!

Anyone with a computer, tablet, smart phone or regular phone can join for free (except with regular phone you won't see everyone, but you can hear and speak.) Instructions below for logging on or calling in. You need to download the Zoom app first for either PC or phone at <http://www.zoom.us> or it can be found on Google Play or the App Store.

Sunday Mornings in April at 10:00 AM Pacific Time (US and Canada)

Join Zoom Meeting: <https://uuma.zoom.us/j/268346992>

By phone: 669 900 6833 US or 253 215 8782 US

Once connected, enter the meeting ID: 268 346 992

Sunday, April 5th

Sunday Services on Zoom: Thresholds: The Challenges and Gifts
Presented by Susan Kaphammer and Rev. Ken Jones

Sunday, April 12th

Sunday Services on Zoom: Springtime and Easter

Rev. Jones will offer a brief reflection on Springtime and Easter in light of quarantines imposed on us by the Corona Virus. Physically we're isolated and vulnerable, and many are ill; yet spiritually we can be alive and one.

Sunday, April 19th

Sunday Services on Zoom

Sunday, April 26th

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Greetings from Rev. Ken Jones (a.k.a. “Ken’s Ken.”)

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Well, March of 2020 is one for the history books. Few of us had any idea a month ago just how severely this new virus would affect nearly every aspect of our lives – including, of course, church. I want to take a moment to commend our UUCY Board of Trustees for making the difficult decision to suspend all in-person activities in early March when they had to.

It’s been a tough month since then. I’ve “seen” many of you online, and talked to several more on the phone, and have even bumped into a couple of you at the grocery store. But we haven’t gathered as a community not only of souls but also of bodies for several weeks now, and that is hard. It is made harder still when we realize that this situation is probably going to go on for at least several more weeks – indeed, as I write this I’ve just heard that Washington public schools will be closed for the remainder of the school year.

I’m well aware that in addition to the question of how long we’ll not be in direct contact are the questions about how we’ll come back together once we know it’s safe to do so. In hindsight, our Board’s decision to shut programs down, like our various government and civic leader’s decisions to shut down other normal activities, was the easy one. The harder decision is going to be when and under what circumstances we can be safe gathering again. And that is likely to not be nearly as swift a decision with a short time frame – we’ll likely have weeks or even months of transition bringing things back to “normal.” Whatever that winds up meaning.

In the meantime, I encourage you all to reach out as best you can, to remember that this community is at heart a collection of people who care for one another and find joy and meaning in our participation. Even as we’ve been taking in the importance of “social distancing,” we may be becoming more aware than ever before of our fundamental need to be social creatures, to connect and be a part of community. There are many ways to maintain these connections, either by using the latest state-of-the-art technology, if that floats your boat, to old-fashioned tried and true ways like the telephone and letters.

And please, let me know if you’re feeling a need to connect. We’re still here for each other!

And though I may not “see you in church” soon, I’m with you in spirit.

In faith
Ken

Rev. Ken Jones (he/his/him) is a graduate of Starr King, and can be reached at 509-453-8448, or at minister@uucyakima.org.

UUCY NEWS AND EVENTS

UUCY Book Club– Meeting On Zoom!

Join the group to talk about Pachinko by Min Jin Lee at 6:00 PM, Tuesday, April 14. Feel free to share the meeting information. :)

Susan Kaphammer is inviting you to a scheduled Zoom meeting.

Topic: UUCY Book Club

Time: Apr 14, 2020 06:00 PM Pacific Time (US and Canada)

Join Zoom Meeting

[https://us04web.zoom.us/j/738780518?](https://us04web.zoom.us/j/738780518?pwd=c2NsSaHhWNmFXVDVnZm5YUXVoUXduUT09)

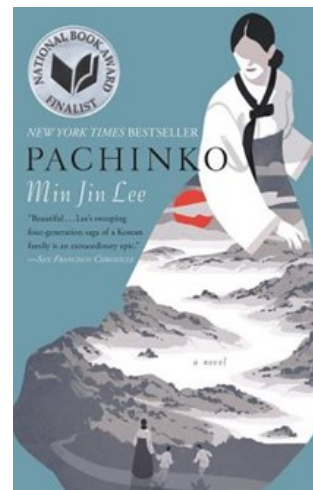
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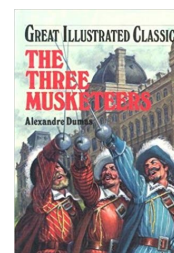
April 14: *Pachinko* by Min Jin Lee

Swashbuckling Heroine and Heroes Book Club

Member Tony Long is leading the 'Swashbuckling Heroine and Heroes Book Club', and is working on getting a Zoom meeting scheduled! Watch your UUCY news sources for more information, and keep reading!

Up Next: The Three Musketeers

The Conclusion of The Three Musketeers



'ZOOM' To UUCY Wednesday Coffee!

During this time of crisis, it is still possible to connect to your UUCY community! Debra Kroon has volunteered to start an online Wednesday coffee visit, every Wednesday (of course!) at 9 a.m. This will take place via Zoom, an online meeting platform widely used by UU congregations. You will need to have Zoom installed on your computer, phone, or tablet prior to the meeting time, which you can get at or the App Store or Google Play.

Title: UUCY Chat Zoom Meeting

Location: [Click Here for Invite](https://us04web.zoom.us/j/5095750809)

When: Occurs every Wednesday effective 3/25/2020 until 5/27/2020 from 9:00 AM to 10:30 AM.

Description: Debra Kroon is inviting you to a scheduled Zoom meeting. Join Zoom Meeting <https://zoom.us/j/5095750809>

From Our Friends at Climate 350 Yakima

The fight for a better future goes on. Please visit (<https://www.earthdaylive2020.org/>) to learn about a free virtual conference / days of action in honor of Earth Day and climate justice April 22nd-24th. Or check out this info about the virtual [national 3-day demonstration](https://www.earthdaylive2020.org/) for more details.

For physical / local Yakima events, Yakima 350 is tentatively planning for them to happen on Earth Day's 6-month anniversary in October this year (assuming Covid-19 risk has subsided enough to allow for physical gatherings). Contact [brianamwilcox](mailto:brianamwilcox@gmail.com) at gmail dot com if you are interested in helping out in that effort

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Minutes from the most recent UUCY Board Meeting are posted for public viewing in the hallway outside the UUCY Office. If you have any questions or would like to request a copy, ask any Board Member.

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