

First Universalist Church of Southold  
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# The Free Spirit

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## Services

August 5, 2018 at 11:00 a.m.

### **“Notes on Korea”**

Aiyoung, a resident of Southold, is a Steering Committee member of Women Cross DMZ, an international organization of women peace activists working to build peace on the Korean Peninsula. Each year since crossing the DMZ in 2015, Aiyoung and her colleagues have traveled to South Korea. Women Cross DMZ has been partnering with leading women peace makers there to call for negotiations to end the ongoing state of war on the Korean Peninsula with a formal Peace Treaty. This year, they were welcomed by the administration of President Moon Jae-In. He was ushered in by a peaceful Candlelight Revolution last spring that led to the overthrow of the previous president. President Moon was sworn into office in May 2017 and enjoys strong support from the Korean people for his leadership on inter-Korean reconciliation and peace.

Aiyoung Choi, lay speaker

August 12, 2018 at 11:00 a.m.

### **“Roots and Wings”**

How can we use our understanding of our Unitarian Universalist past to inform our future goals as a beloved community?

Rev. Valerie Freseman

August 19, 2018 at 11:00 a.m.

### **“Rededicating a House of Worship: Spiritual and Practical Advice from the Story of Chanukah”**

What are the real foundations of a house of worship, of learning and of gathering?

Rabbi Gadi Capela

August 26, 2018 at 11:00 a.m.

### **“Losing My Religion”**

What is behind the growing tendency of people claiming they are “spiritual but not religious”? Why are so many in our time finding the word “religion” problematic, and is there a way we can reclaim religion?

Rev. Valerie Freseman

## **Coming Attractions !!!**

**August 7<sup>th</sup> – Covenant Group.** Parsonage, 4:00 p.m. Topic: “Helping Our Community”

**August 14<sup>th</sup> – Board Meeting.** Parsonage, 7:00 p.m. All are welcome.

**Covenant Group**

We will be meeting at the PARSONAGE. The Southold Library is moving and there is not room for us at the Feather Hill Annex.

Our topic is, "Helping Our Community," August 7<sup>th</sup>, 4-5 p.m. Bring all the ways we can help our community: giving rides to church or doctor's appointments; lessons; babysitting; teaching English; tutoring; building porches; fixing things; just to name a few.

Also, bring a high and a low to share for the month.

In Peace,  
Ginny Cornell

**President's Notes**

Welcome to August! I don't remember the heat bothering me as much as it does this summer. But, then again, the cold is no fun either. But I woke up this morning and that is a blessing!

I wish I could tell you that we are breaking ground tomorrow for our new church. However, the Town of Southold Planning Dept. misplaced our plans twice and we had to resubmit. It is turning into a very long process, partly due to being in an Historic District.

Fundraising is going slowly. The Board of Trustees passed a resolution that states that all large donations will be returned in the unfortunate event that the church does not get built and/or is dissolved. Donors will not lose their donations.

Thank you for your continued support. We will get through this!

Shalom,  
Cecilia Loucka, President

***Happiness***

IS A CHOICE  
I MAKE !

**Notes from the Building Team**

We are...

Awaiting Planning Board final approval.

Working with Burger Construction on updated cost estimates (not the final costs).

Resolving final matters before moving ahead with final Construction Documents to build our new church.

Irene Stewart  
Building Team Chair

**Fund-Raising Campaign – \$1 Challenge**

We continue to hear from our UU friends across the country. Many thanks to all!

"...a small congregation...in southeast Michigan...proud to support our fellow UU congregations in their time of need."

New Hope UU Congregation, New Hudson, MI (30 members)

"Thank you for all you do on behalf of our community."

UU Community Church of Santa Monica, CA

"We hope that your program is successful and continues to grow..."

UU Congregation of Wilmington, NC