



## Radical Hospitality

*Do not neglect to show hospitality to strangers,  
for by doing that some have entertained angels  
without knowing it. (Hebrews 13:2, NRSV)*

I was raised by a mother who embodied Southern hospitality. Her lessons of welcoming guests have served me well as a minister. Be polite. Listen. Offer food or drink. Arrange any meeting space for comfort and beauty.

The cultured hospitality she imparted also reinforced the cultural norms of her day. Her graciousness grew out of upper-class, southern racism. I have had to unlearn lessons to truly be welcoming to all.

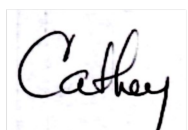
I have learned to lead with openness, hence my nametag has a rainbow ribbon and my email signature lists pronouns to signal acceptance of gender fluidity. For visitors, not all questions during Hope's coffee hour are equally welcome. Some can be microaggressions when the subtext of a question may be, "Why are you different from what I understand are cultural norms?"

Hospitality is a vibrant theological lens to explore the heart of Hope Unitarian's core values "To seek truth and share love." With radical hospitality as the springboard for the next nine months, I plan to use this column to look at different aspects of church life.



Hospitality goes far beyond simply making sure we greet newcomers well. Radical hospitality means asking who might be excluded by any decision. It involves anticipating and imagining the needs of others who are different from us. For example, on the level of the church committee, radical hospitality might have groups looking at their meeting times (who can and cannot attend), which dictates who brings their voice and ideas to any project. Join me in this mission of radical hospitality.

With Joy,



**The Rev. Cathey Edwards**

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# Sunday Services

## September

Worship begins at 11:00 am

### Wisdom of the World's Religions

September 2, The Rev. Cathey Edwards

Our Unitarian Universalist tradition recognizes six major sources of spiritual wisdom. We explore this sixth and final source in the ethical and spiritual wisdom of the world's religions. It is a challenge to do justice to this expansive acceptance of the major religious traditions. How do we sort through the contradictions? Are there any ideas we cannot accept?

### Let Justice Roll Down Like Waters: Homecoming & Water Communion

September 9, The Rev. Cathey Edwards

With a wonderful mix of music and ritual, we will gather together as a community to celebrate our ingathering for a new church year. We pour together waters from home and from afar in our annual water communion ceremony. You are invited to bring any water you have. During the service we pour all or part of the water you've brought. As always, we will have "proxy water" on hand.

### Building Beloved Community: 2000s at Hope Unitarian Church

September 16, The Rev. Cathey Edwards

As we continue exploring Hope's history decade by decade in this 50th year of the church's life, we look at the new millennium. In the early 2000s the church was active in music, city life, and honoring all who passed. The church was busy building Beloved Community.

### Curating Community Now

September 23, Yadenee Hailu

Beloved Community is a popular goal, but what is less clear is how we will get there—or when we know we've created it. We will explore how our idea of Beloved Community informs our path, daily actions, and every intention. Whether for society, Hope Church, family, or within our own village of friends, we're often wondering how to curate Beloved Community.

### Dwell in the Harvest

September 30, The Rev. Cathey Edwards

This time of year is the intersection of the autumn equinox, harvest festivals, and the Jewish tradition of Sukkot. These celebrations honor Beloved Community while strengthening the resolve and commitment of individuals. We explore this paradox of community.

## September Monthly Theme

### Beloved Community



*Our goal is to create a beloved community and this will require a qualitative change in our souls as well as a quantitative change in our lives.*

—Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.

**W**hile Philosopher Josiah Royce coined the term *Beloved Community*, it was the Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King who made the term speak to millions. It was his vision of a world that rejects racism, poverty and oppression that helped fuel the Civil Rights movement.

We explore together what Beloved Community might mean here at Hope Church, in your family and circle of friends, and even in a workplace or city.

### About Monthly Themes

Our monthly themes express Hope Unitarian Church's openness to theological exploration. They are not an endorsement of any particular creed or belief. Instead, they provide a monthly opportunity to examine in common a religious doctrine or idea. Hope Church is a questioning community. It is a safe place to bring doubt and new ideas.



# Children & Youth Programs (CYP)

Susan Spooner, Director, [susan@hopeuu.org](mailto:susan@hopeuu.org)

CYP Committee Members: Paula Haight, Kerri Vandiver, Ann Lee, & Laura Ezell. The chair position is open.

Need childcare for a church event? Please email your request to [childcare@hope.org](mailto:childcare@hope.org)

## A Typical Sunday

- 9:45 am** Community Building for all ages
- 10:00 am** Children in artful and movement activities. Youth in Coming of Age
- 11:00 am** Children's Chapel focuses on this month's theme.

*Loving childcare is provided for infants through children three years old.*

## Upcoming Events

**Sunday, September 9, 11:00 am**

### Homecoming & Water Communion

You are invited to bring any water you have. With a wonderful mix of music and ritual, we will gather together as a community to celebrate our ingathering for a new church year. We pour together waters from home and from afar in our annual water communion ceremony. During the service is an opportunity to pour all or part of the water you've brought. As always, there will be "proxy water" on hand for those who need it!

**Sunday, September 9, Noon**

### Hot Dog Lunch

Youth and adults fix and serve our annual Hot Dog (and vegan dog) Lunch for the congregation following worship.

**Sunday, September 16, 9:30 am**

Coming of Age parents meet in the Log Cabin with the Rev. Cathey as part of the Coming of Age Curriculum.

**Sunday, October 7, 9:30 am**

Coming of Age parents meet in the Log Cabin with the Rev. Cathey as part of the Coming of Age Curriculum.

**Sunday, October 14, 12:00–3:00 pm**

YRUU (aka Youth Group) will meet to go to Shalom-Fest!

## Fall Break Nature Camp

**October 17–19, 2018**

**7:30 am until 5:30 pm**

Hope and Under the Canopy ([underthecanopy.org](http://underthecanopy.org)) are joining together to provide a nature-based camp on Hope's Hill.

\$100 per child for Hope Families

\$125 per child for families not associated with Hope

Hope families with adults volunteering as staff may receive reduced tuition.

**Campers:** Kindergarten – 6<sup>th</sup> Grade

**Counselors in Training (CITs):** 7<sup>th</sup> Grade – 15 years

**CITs or paid staff:** 16–18 years. *May be CITs or paid staff if hired as childcare staff by Hope.*

**Registration opens soon!**

**For more information, contact Susan Spooner.**

### Meet Margaritte

"I am passionate about co-connecting people with nature. I am a mother, community organizer, sustainability practitioner, teaching artist and gardener. Under the Canopy is my program to get kids outside and loving the nature that surrounds them daily. It's also a chance for adults to re-connect to the fun of being outdoors. I love playing outside and I want you to join me!"



**Parenting Contemplation** "Patience is the art of concealing your impatience." Guy Kawaski



## Music Notes

September is the month when Hope’s activities and programs start up for the year, and Hope’s choir will also return to a full schedule for the coming church season.

Our monthly theme for September is “Beloved Community,” and this theme will be the focus of Homecoming Sunday on September 9.

We traditionally sing Lucy Holstedt’s rousing anthem “Welcome In!”, and we will also introduce Jason Shelton’s stirring song “Life Calls Us On,” which has become justly popular among UU churches. We will continue to sing other songs exploring this theme leading to our 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary service on October 7.

We also welcome new choir members and any who would like to join us in the coming year. If you love to sing, want to learn how, or suspect you have a singing voice that is itching to come out, the Hope Singers (Hope’s adult choir) would like to invite you to join us. We rehearse every Wednesday evening from 7:00 pm to 9:00 pm, and on Sunday mornings from 9:30 am to 9:55 am for the morning service. An audition is not necessary. All you need is a willingness to learn and to sing.

If you cannot commit to the choir at this time, but can play an instrument or sing and would like to participate in the Sunday services in some other way, please let us know.

**Joseph Rivers, PhD**  
Director of Music

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### Minister’s Office Hours

**Make an appointment with the Rev. Cathey Edwards during the following times:**

Tuesday afternoons 3:30pm–5:00pm  
Thursday afternoons 1:00pm–2:00 pm  
Friday mornings 9:00am–10:00am

You can schedule a time to meet with **the Rev. Cathey** by contacting **Molly Brower**, [molly@hopeuu.org](mailto:molly@hopeuu.org) or with **the Rev. Cathey** directly at [cathey@hopeuu.org](mailto:cathey@hopeuu.org). You can also call the church office at 918-481-0999.

## Adult Forum

Sundays at 10:00 am in the Sanctuary

### September 2

#### **Generosity Sunday**

We welcome a speaker from the H.O.W. Foundation, our September generosity recipient.

### September 9

#### **Youth Boston Trip**

**Susan Spooner** and our Hope Youth will report on their recent trip to Boston.

### September 16

#### **Hope Unitarian Church in the 2000s**

With one last panel discussion before our big 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary celebration October 6–7, we turn our attention to Hope Church between 2000 and 2010.

### September 23

#### **Committee Fair**

Representatives from various Hope committees and programs will present information about what they do and how you can get involved.

### September 30

#### **UU Common Read**

We will discuss the UU Common Read. Week 1 of 3. See Page 8 for further details.

## Care Team Corner

**Save the date!**

**Sunday, October 21, Adult Forum**

Learn about advance healthcare planning with the Five Wishes document. It's a much simpler format to express your desires for healthcare when you are not able to do so. It can legally take the place of or replace an Advance Directive.

**Deborah Whittaker, Care Team Chair**

# Outreach

## Generosity

Each Sunday, we give away ALL of the undesignated funds from our Offering. The Outreach Committee chooses organizations that support the mission of Hope Unitarian Church in efforts to expand beyond our community.

**In August we raised \$1,043.00 for Women in Recovery!**

Below are the totals raised in previous months:

Month	Organization	\$ Amount
July	Los Pecesitos!	\$1,636.98
June	<a href="#">Iron Gate</a>	\$978.00
May	<a href="#">Still She Rises</a>	\$1,132.34
April	<a href="#">Healthy Community Store Initiative</a>	\$1,312.00

## September Generosity Recipient The H.O.W. Foundation

The H.O.W. (**H**onesty, **O**pen mindedness, **W**illingness) Foundation is a six-month minimum, self-supporting, residential, in-house recovery program dedicated solely to providing adult men in the throes of addiction the opportunity to learn and live a life free of addiction.

The program is based on the “12 Steps” of Alcoholics/ Narcotics Anonymous and is physically demanding, offering the resident the opportunity to work hard and learn the life skill necessary for lasting recovery. Further, this program places emphasis on learning to become accountable for actions and attitudes, and stop blaming others for your failures. The residents learn the discipline that comes from performing physical work in a structured environment.

## Feed the Homeless Program

Volunteers from Hope prepare and serve a meal for clients at the **Tulsa Day Center for the Homeless** the third Saturday of every month.

Thanks to the following people who helped in **August**:

**Shopping and Friday Cooking:** Maggie Scott  
**Cooking:** Team Leader Linda Tracy with David Tracy, Eddie Humphreys, Gail Hawk, Carmen Kinsey  
**Serving:** Team Leader Anita Ward, with Mary Baird, Judy & Guy Sims, Mary Gardener, Matt Baird

**Next Feed the Homeless date is:**

**Saturday, September 15**

**Volunteers Needed!**

2:30 pm at Hope to help cook and prepare food.

5:00 pm at the Tulsa Day Center for the Homeless to help serve the meal.

*You can sign up for the months ahead in the folder on the Administrator's desk, or email or call the church office.*

## MacArthur Elementary School

Hope has been a partner in education with MacArthur Elementary School for the last two years. We've had donation drives, provided snacks for after-school clubs, and selected MacArthur as a Generosity Recipient. We've also helped with a Teacher Appreciation Luncheon and provided volunteers for Bike Club, Reading Partners, the Backpack Distribution Program, state testing, the fall festival and end-of-school-year activities.

Without all the volunteers and individuals who have donated their time and money, the Outreach Committee could not sustain Hope's relationship with MacArthur. Many thanks for your generosity.

We are looking for someone who is interested in coordinating our partnership with MacArthur this coming year along with Outreach Chair **Mary Newman**. If you have questions or are interested, please call the church at 918-481-0999 or find Mary's listing in the church directory to contact her directly.



Thank you for your support of Dream Act Oklahoma. Here is a note from them:

“Dream Act Oklahoma continues to be busy working for the undocumented community. We have expanded our mission from just advocating for the passage of a Dream Act in Congress and working to help DACA applicants. We are now beginning to speak for the entire undocumented community since they can’t speak for themselves.

Our school supplies drive, originally to help families where the breadwinner was deported, expanded beyond our expectations. We had hoped to get enough school supplies for ten undocumented families. Instead, we wound up with enough for many more than that!

We were able to give away the school supplies on our own at several events, and also worked with Ellen Ochoa Elementary, which has a large Hispanic population, to distribute the rest.

To date, we have held five DACA clinics, distributing thousands upon thousands of dollars’ worth of financial aid to DACA applicants. We are planning a sixth clinic in the near future.

In April, DAOK was awarded the Angie Debo Civic Literacy Award from the ACLU, and on November 1st we will receive another award from the Dan Allen Community Justice Center. We also recently became a member of ACTION.

Your generous contribution to our school supplies drive was greatly appreciated.”

**Mary Newman**, Outreach Committee Chair

## Group offers “Community Care Chests” to needy

Area residents in need will soon have more opportunities to get staple items, as Sweetwater Foundation is making "Community Care Chests" available here.

The "chests" are actually repurposed newspaper racks, and they will be filled with items ranging from food to school supplies to diapers.

While the Sweetwater Foundation was established to support children with cancer and their families, founders are branching out to help all in need.

There are currently three projects under Sweetwater’s umbrella: Community Care Chests, Kai's Warriors Against Childhood Cancer, and The Community Cup."

Ask **The Rev. Gary McAlpin** for more details and how you can help. You’ll find him listed in the church directory.



*The Rev. Gary McAlpin checks over the newspaper racks that will be adopted by businesses and organizations and used as Community Care Chests. Community members will be able to take or place donations such as food, hygiene*

### Cereal Sunday—Sunday, September 9

Please bring a box or two of cereal (preferably not Cheerios) for the homeless. There’s a cereal basket in Fellowship Hall. This cereal, along with several gallons of milk, is taken to the **Tulsa Day Center for the Homeless** on the third Saturday in the month when we serve their meal.

## The Hope Foundation



Our meetings are held at the church on the third Thursday of the month after the end of the quarter. Our next meeting is scheduled for *Thursday, October 18, at 7:30 pm. Anyone is welcome to attend.*



### **Hope Foundation Board of Directors**

*Front: David Tracy, President; Don Miller, Vice-President. Back: Paula Haight, Director; Marcia Schaefer, Secretary; Michael Simpson, Director; Rebecca Jones, Treasurer; Vanessa Torluemke, Director.*

## **Leader Training**

**Saturday, September 8, 1:00-4:00 pm**

If you serve in a leadership position at the church OR would like to, please plan to attend our Leader Training session on September 8.

We will discuss church structure, leadership strategies, the church calendar, and many other important topics.

For more information or to RSVP for the training, please contact **James Donovan** at [tulsauus@yahoo.com](mailto:tulsauus@yahoo.com). To reserve childcare, please contact [childcare@hopeuu.org](mailto:childcare@hopeuu.org) by September 3.

## **Hope Committee Fair**

**Sunday, September 23, 9:45-10:45am and 12-12:15pm**

During Adult Forum there will be representatives from various Hope committees and programs presenting information about what they do and how you can get involved.

There will be tables with representatives and sign-up sheets in Fellowship Hall throughout the morning. For more information or to reserve a table and time to speak in Adult Forum, please call the church at 918-481-0999 or find **Christy Levine** in the church directory to contact her.

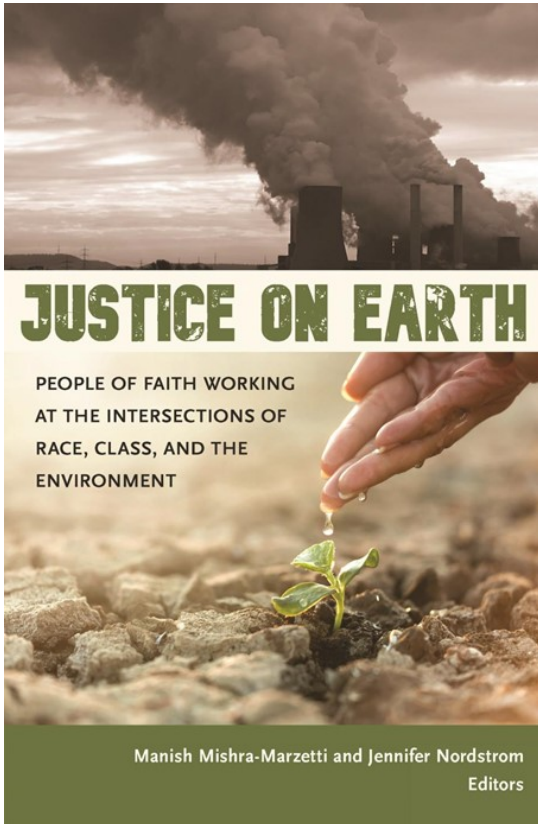
## **InReach at Hope**

**InReach** groups will be starting again this fall. InReach is the Hope version of small group ministry. Groups meet both during the day and in the evenings.

What can a Unitarian get out of small group ministry? Plenty! Being part of an InReach group helps build community and provides opportunities for deeper relationships. InReach provides dedicated space for spiritual exploration. Doing InReach can improve your sense of well-being, cooperation and connections to others.

Groups meet monthly and use the monthly theme as a springboard for thought and sharing. If you are interested, please find **Annie Simpson** in the church directory or look for InReach at the Activities Fair.

# The UU Common Read for 2018–2019



A Common Read invites participants to read and discuss the same book in a given period of time. A Common Read can build community in our congregations and our movement by giving diverse people a shared experience, shared language, and a basis for deep, meaningful conversations.

Each year, the Unitarian Universalist Common Read is chosen by a committee including both headquarters and field staff of the UUA. Anyone may nominate a book.

## Common Read 2018–2019

The Common Read Selection Committee is pleased to announce the 2018-19 Common Read: *Justice on Earth: People of Faith Working at the Intersections of Race, Class, and Environment*, edited by Manish Mishra-Marzetti and Jennifer Nordstrom (Skinner House Books, 2018).

At a time when racial justice, environmental justice, and economic justice are seen as issues competing for time, attention, and resources, *Justice on Earth* explores the ways in which the three are intertwined. Those on the margins are invariably those most affected by climate

disaster and environmental toxins. The book asks us to recognize that our faith calls us to long-haul work for justice for our human kin, for the Earth and for all life. It invites us to look at our current challenges through a variety of different perspectives, offers tools to equip us for sustained engagement, and proposes multiple pathways for follow-up action.

**Justice on Earth** is available for purchase at <https://www.uuabookstore.org/Justice-on-Earth-P18357.aspx>

*We will discuss the UU Common Read at Hope Adult Forum at 10:00 am on September 30, October 28, and November 25. For more information, contact James Donovan at [tulsauus@yahoo.com](mailto:tulsauus@yahoo.com).*



## Hope's September Events

Need childcare? Email [childcare@hopeuu.org](mailto:childcare@hopeuu.org) at least 48 hours in advance to secure a spot.

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### Hope Book Club—POSTPONED

1st Mondays in the Log Cabin at 6:30 pm

We won't be meeting Monday, Sept. 3 because of the Labor Day holiday. Our next meeting will be October 1st at 6:30 pm. Come discuss the *New York Times* Best-seller *Killers of the Flower Moon*, by David Grann. If you have questions, call the church at 918-481-0999 or find **Chris Anrig** in the church directory.

### Breakfast on the Hill—POSTPONED

1st Sundays

No breakfast Sunday, Sept 2

Next breakfast **October 1**. Join us for a delicious cooked breakfast. \$5 per adult; children eat free.

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### Threads of Hope



2nd and 4th Tuesdays, 11:30 am in the Log Cabin

After a summer break, we'll be back in the cabin on **Tuesday, September 11**. Bring a sack lunch and join us with your projects. We have a community project that some of us will be working on. If you can't join us at the cabin, but have a little time and some blue yarn, check out the #HatNotHate campaign at <http://www.lionbrand.com/blog/end-bullying-hat-not-hate/>.

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### Brown Bag Lunch

Thursdays, 11:30 am–1:00 pm

The Brown Bag discussion group meets for lunch every Thursday. **The Rev. Cathey** leads the group the first Thursday of each month at. Our intern minister Yadeene Hailu leads the last Thursday of each month.

This year, when **the Rev. Cathey** leads, we will be listening, reading and writing our own credos—our own statements of belief—using “This I Believe” as our template. The weeks in between are free form discus-

sions—lively, funny, and informative.

**Claudia Vandiver**

### Movie Night



Tuesday, September 14 at 7:00 pm

#### *The Madness of King George*

Free popcorn, soft drinks, & lively conversation

This 1994 British biographical historical comedy-drama tells the true story of King George III of England's deteriorating mental health, and his equally declining relationship with his eldest son, the Prince of Wales. This movie won the BAFTA awards in 1995 for Outstanding British Film and Best Actor in a Leading Role. It also won an Oscar for Best Art Direction. Helen Mirren received an Oscar nomination for Best Supporting Actress. Please come and join us for an entertaining movie that might generate some discussion as it relates to today's political climate.

### Women of Hope

Thursday, September 6, 6:00 pm

As we are currently celebrating the 50th anniversary of Hope Unitarian Church, after our potluck we will continue our socializing and do some reminiscing! We have a large number of albums put together by church historians over the years. Old *Focus* articles and charming pictures of some of you and your families would be fun to explore! Some articles and clippings need to be re-glued, and we can do that while we reminisce. We always have good conversation, so join us!

We also want your ideas for the future of Women of Hope. What topics are you interested in learning about? Please bring your ideas along with your potluck dish.

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### Lunch Bunch

Wednesday, September 19, 11:30 am

This month Hope Lunch Bunch will be going to Napa Flats, located at 9912 Riverside Pkwy, Tulsa. Contact **Eddie Humphreys** if you can join us. Her email address and phone number are listed in the church directory.

## Celebrating 50 Years of Hope in September 2018

We began celebrating Hope's founding in January and throughout the year culminating on the **weekend of October 6–7<sup>th</sup>**. Mark your calendars.

### Important Dates

- September 12, 2018 10:00am**    **Adult Forum “Hope Church at the Turn of the 2<sup>nd</sup> Millennium”**  
With one last panel discussion before our big 50th Anniversary celebration October 6-7, we turn our attention to Hope Church between 2000 and 2010.
- September 12, 2018 11:00am**    **Worship and sermon “Building Beloved Community: 2000s at Hope Unitarian Church”**  
As we continue exploring Hope's history decade by decade in this 50th year of the church's life, we look at the new millennium. In the early 2000s the church was active in music, city life, and honoring all who passed. The church was busy building Beloved Community.
- September 19, 5:00pm**    **50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Planning Committee** (*Open to all*)  
Join the Hope members and staff who meet monthly to plan these events and the major public weekend **Oct 5–7**. We can use your creative ideas and skills.
- October 6 & 7**    **50<sup>th</sup> Celebration Weekend**  
Come for dinner Saturday night (\$10) and worship Sunday as members, guests, and dignitaries from around our region celebrate this critical milestone together.



## Gardens and Grounds Clean-up Day

**Saturday, September 22**  
**Save the date!**  
**Time and more details TBA**

To prepare for **Hope's 50th Anniversary Celebrations**, we need everyone's help with tidying up our beautiful outdoor outdoor space.

Bring your sunhats, gloves, and yard tools!

The rainout day will be the following **Saturday, September 29**.

**Homecoming Sunday  
Water Communion  
Hot Dog Lunch**

**Sunday, September 9**



With a wonderful mix of music and ritual, we will gather together as a community to celebrate in gathering for a new church year. We pour together waters from home and from afar in our annual water communion ceremony. You are invited to bring any water you have. During the service is an opportunity to pour all or part of the water you've brought. As always, there will be "proxy water" on hand for those who need it!

After the service stay for our Hot Dog Lunch! (veggie hot dogs too)

## **Poinsettias**

Has the drop in temperature put you in the mood for the holidays? Perhaps not. But a favored nonprofit, **A New Leaf**, has requested our order for poinsettias earlier this year.

You can make your purchases in Fellowship Hall on the following Sundays: **September 2, 9, and 16**. Cash or check accepted. If you want to donate a plant for Hope's Sanctuary, consider the name of a loved one, living or deceased, to honor in a December service.

There is a lovely variety of colors, as always. Thank you all for your contributions!



## Hope Supper Club Kick Off Dinner

Saturday, September 8, 6:00 pm in the Fellowship Hall

Would you like to join Hope Supper Club? Everyone is welcome!

Supper potlucks are on the second Saturdays in the month, most months of the year. We meet in small groups of about 8-10 people. You can sign up to host in your home and to attend supper in other homes. Childcare is available at Hope for a small fee. It's a great way to get to know people and have a home-cooked meal together.

We will start off the year with a potluck meal at Hope, where you can sign up to join. Please bring a dish to share and drinks will be provided. Contact the church office or **Coe McGinley** for further details.

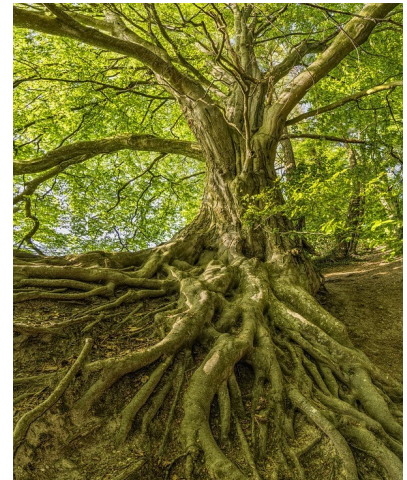
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## Roots Class

### A Path to membership

Meets Thursdays, October 11, 18, & 25,  
6:30–8:00 pm

Want to know more about Hope and our beliefs? Sign up for our Roots classes, a pathway to membership here in the Hope Community. Sign up in the white folder on the Administrators desk or contact [molly@hopeuu.org](mailto:molly@hopeuu.org).



## Hope's Annual Auction

Saturday, November 3, 2018

**Dinners!**   **Parties!**   **Vacations!**   **Personal Services!**

**Theme Baskets!**   **Jewelry!**   **Gourmet Food!**   **Artwork!**

More details coming **SOON**

**Stay Tuned!**





## Walking Meditation

Sunday,  
September  
30, 9:00 am

Every last Sunday in the month.  
Meet outside on the deck of Hope's Log Cabin.  
Wear shoes and clothing to match the weather.  
All ages welcome.

## September Members' Birthdays

Don Miller	3rd
Della Blankinship	4th
Joe Monroe	4th
Laura Reiman	11th
Kim Rauh	13th
Robert Billings	15th
Sue Forney	15th
Joseph Rivers	17th
Meredith Miller	26th
Carrie Muzika	28th



## Key Person Schedule

### August 27–September 2

David Lynn  
918-250-5265

### September 3–9

Jim Sleezer  
918-853-5114

### September 10–16

Sherrill Womeldorff  
918-638-7610

### September 17–23

David Lynn  
918-250-5265

### September 24–30

Jim Sleezer  
918-853-5114

### *Policy for function organizers*

1. First, determine if someone attending your function can open the building.
2. Find out if the church will be open/closed for another event at the same time as yours.
3. If no one is available and you need entry, contact above volunteer Key Person a few days in advance of the event.

For current events, visit the Hope Calendar at:

<http://hopeuu.org/blog/calendar/>

### *Focus Submissions:*

Send all input with "Focus" in the subject line. The last day of consideration for submissions is the end of the third Wednesday in September. Exceptions may be made when more information is needed.

Submissions must be made in a Word document or similar format, by email only, for consideration.

Please remember to keep the content short enough to fit on half a page or less within a newsletter.

All content is subject to revision and formatting. Send submissions to [hopeuu@hopeuu.org](mailto:hopeuu@hopeuu.org).



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TO:

Hope Unitarian Church is an inclusive, affirming congregation

**Hope's Vision**  
Seeking Truth, Sharing Love  
Within - Among - Beyond



**Hope's Mission**  
Supporting the free and responsible search for truth and meaning;  
Teaching the history and traditions of Unitarianism;  
Promoting and defending freedom of thought;  
Celebrating life's passages;  
Serving the larger community with justice and compassion.

**Hope's Values**  
Reason - Integrity - Tolerance

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