

**Upcoming UUWF  
Events**

[UUWF Monthly  
Community Gatherings via  
Zoom](#)

OCTOBER 19TH  
4:30PM PT/5:30PM MT  
/ 6:30PM CT/ 7:30PM ET

Join our [UUWF Book Club](#)  
November 5th! More  
details below

**UU WOMEN'S  
FEDERATION SOCIAL  
JUSTICE**

**MONTHLY READS**

The UUWF's Social Justice Monthly Reads allows entry into our priority issues and supports individuals looking to build on being better allies and co-conspirators. We're reading some of the latest award winning books as we interpret how they can be tools for social justice.

For our November Monthly Read, we will explore 2-3 short articles on a topic. All will be available with no paywall. More details will be available at our website soon.



**ADDRESSING GENDER-BASED  
VIOLENCE, A 3-PART PANEL SERIES**

Hi Friend! The Unitarian Universalist Women's Federation (UUWF) is a community that champions justice, equality, and the inherent worth of every person. At its core, the UUWF seeks to empower individuals, particularly women, to live their lives authentically and free from oppression. Our priority of protecting women aligns with these values and is paramount to addressing all gender-based violence.

This violence, which includes physical, emotional, and sexual abuse, fundamentally violates our UU principles including the First Principle that affirms "the inherent worth and dignity of every person" and the Seventh Principle that calls us to "affirm and promote the interdependent web of all existence." Gender-based violence disrupts this interconnected web and, by addressing it, the UUWF exemplifies its dedication to these principles. From educational resources like toolkits and webinars, to landmark statements like our stance of protecting trans lives, we assert our commitment to safeguarding the dignity of all individuals, irrespective of their gender.

Join our next discussion on  
November 5th, 4pm-5pm  
PST via Zoom

[REGISTER NOW](#)

We are deeply committed to gender equity and equality, AND we know that public witness is vital to moving the conversation. As we uplift those at the margins and highlight the ways that we can co-conspire together, we invite you to join us for a 3-part panel series called “Addressing Gender-Based Violence.” We are bringing expert voices together in an attempt to create a complete narrative of the world around us, and the best tactics to keep each other safe.

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## *JOIN MIGHTY NETWORKS NOW*

The Women’s Federation has a thriving online space for you to connect, learn, and grow with UU women across the country. On our Mighty Network, built in collaboration with you, UUWF is moderating topics and polls, posting articles from all community gathering sessions, and leading discussions on the issues you care about the most. You can be part of this community by clicking the JOIN NOW button. Be on the lookout for upcoming events exclusively on MightyNetworks!

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THE UUWF NEWSLETTER

OCTOBER 2023

### **BOARD AND STAFF FALL RETREAT 2023**

Last week, our team embarked on a transformative work retreat in the breathtaking city of Albuquerque, NM. Coming together as dedicated staff and visionary board members, we immersed ourselves in productive discussions and collaborative activities.

Our time spent together was dedicated to four key pillars: programming, membership, community building, and future planning. We brainstormed innovative program ideas, enhancing our mission's impact, and refined membership strategies to better engage our community.

As we return to our daily tasks, we carry with us a renewed sense of purpose and a concrete plan for our future. Albuquerque, with its unique blend of culture and energy, provided the perfect backdrop for our journey of growth and innovation. We're excited to implement the ideas and strategies that were discussed and look forward to building a stronger, more connected future for our organization.



# BLACK Women of the Chalice

Dive into a transformative experience with Black Women of the Chalice this Saturday, October 7th. This community gathering will focus on academic navigation while addressing the unique challenges faced by Black Women who are Unitarian Universalists in seminary. Together, we'll support and uplift each other on this remarkable journey, all while fostering a nurturing environment where Black Joy, Black womanhood, and excellence thrive. Join us in this empowering space and let's navigate this journey together.

*Open to all UU+ Black Women+ faith professionals*

## Marjorie Bowens-Wheatley Scholarship Deadline November 1st

*"Ministry is what we do together – clergy and the laity. It flows from a religious conviction that invites people to become more of themselves, more whole, as we give witness to a vision of a world transformed by our care." – Marjorie Bowens-Wheatley, January 2005*

The Marjorie Bowens-Wheatley Scholarship provides direct financial support to aspirants or candidates to the Unitarian Universalist ministry, or candidates in the UUA's religious education or music leadership programs, who identify as women of color, Latina, or Hispanic.

To apply, or for more information, [visit our website](#). Application deadline is November 1st.

JOIN US

**MONTHLY COMMUNITY GATHERING  
YOU'RE INVITED!**

Every 3rd Thursday of the month we invite our community to come together to connect, share wisdom, and explore a topic. Last month our topic was centered around indigenous learning and unlearning with special guest Kia Bordner. The resources that were shared during the gathering are posted on our [Mighty Network](#).

This month our topic will focus on building community and practicing inclusion over Zoom with guest speaker Ben Oglvi. Ben (she/they) will be discussing their GA workshop, [A Zoom Transformation: Build Community, Practice Inclusion](#). It is helpful if you have seen the video, but come anyway even if you haven't.

**Workshop description**

Treating zoom participants equitably and caringly in multiplatform worship and other church activities is an expression of love and justice that can transform the community while teaching practical lessons in inclusion applicable to other justice contexts. We share what we've learned about the techniques, the costs, and the rewards.

Don't miss this opportunity to engage with thought-provoking ideas and network with fellow attendees!

LOGIN DETAILS

**JOYS AND  
SORROWS**

**We strongly believe that, when a sorrow is shared, it is lessened and when a joy is shared it is multiplied!**

Joys and Sorrows is a community space where we welcome anyone reading this to share their good news, big moments, outreach for support, or request for prayers.

We invite you to be open in conversation with the UUWF as we are all in community together, building covenantal relationships on our journey to collective liberation. [Submit your news here.](#)

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**Unitarian Universalist Women's Federation**

*Building covenantal relationships among Unitarian Universalist Women  
that equip us all to be better co-conspirators and allies in the movement for collective liberation*

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