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THE UUWF NEWSLETTER

Upcoming UUWF Events

<u>UUWF Monthly</u> <u>Community Gatherings via</u> Zoom

January 18th 4:30PM PT/5:30PM MT / 6:30PM CT/ 7:30PM ET

With Rachel Myslivy!

UU WOMEN'S FEDERATION MONTHLY READS BOOK CLUB

The UU Women's Monthly
Read Book Club 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.

January monthly reads will be paused due to holiday season. We resume in February reading:

A FIRE AT THE CENTER



HAPPY NEW YEAR!

Introducing our Circles of Solidarity Campaign

UUWF is constantly working towards collective liberation, and this year, we're growing our solidarity network! This means meeting people where they are, as well as helping everyone along the continuum of showing up for others. With new panels, workshops, gatherings, and more, our work in 2024 will educate, activate, and inspire this community to action. We will continue to hold inclusive spaces for growth and allow opportunities for engaging in tough conversations with the public. Join us as we train new leaders in our movement for justice and give more women the opportunity to have a seat at the table. Our

by Karen Van Fossan

Join our next discussion on February 4th, 4:30/7:30 PST/EST via Zoom

No registration is necessary.

ZOOM LINK HERE

work at UUWF will move the needle toward collective liberation.

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, building in collaboration with you, UUWF will moderate topics and polls, post articles, and lead 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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NEW ONLINE WORKSHOP SERIES!

PROTECTING WOMEN FROM FAKE ABORTION CLINICS

UUWF national organizer Candace Hasan invites us to learn more about the hundreds of fake women's health centers across the U.S. and how to expose the dangerous lies of anti-abortion counseling.

Fake women's health centers—AKA fake abortion clinics, AKA crisis pregnancy centers—are anti-abortion counseling centers with an *agenda*. Their goal is to deceive and pressure people to carry a pregnancy to term. *Some* have some kind of medical license, but *the vast majority do not*—even if they might appear to from the outside.

During this training, we will take time to discuss the deceptive practices of fake abortion clinics and practice strategies to protect people from misinformation. This workshop is a part of our ongoing priority issue: Protecting Women, which centers on championing bodily autonomy in reproductive health and on reducing harm. These online classes are a monthly training series to help build organizing capacity across our congregations and communities. We are grounded in our UU calling to be lifelong learners and our organizing traditions' call to share what we know for our movements to grow.

Tuesday, January 23, 2024 7:30-8:30pm ET / 6:30 CT / 4:30 PT, followed by an open conversation from 8:15-8:30 ET

Registration and full details available here

YOU'RE INVITED!

Join us for our monthly community gathering every 3rd Thursday of the month where we invite you to connect, share wisdom, and explore topics. This month, we're honored to host Rachel Myslivy (she/they), a climate justice organizer for the UUA's Side With Love Organizing Strategy Team, where she organizes UUs to realize a world with no fossil fuels, where clean energy is a human right, and all communities thrive. Rachel has engaged in climate, energy, environment, agriculture, health equity, leadership, and faith-based organizing spaces for twenty years.

In addition to her presence, Rachel extends a special invitation to the final webinar in Side With Love's Clean Energy as a Human Right Webinar Series, Reimagining with Energy Democracy, taking place on January 25th at 4PT-5MT-6CT-7ET. It's a great opportunity to delve deeper into the vital work of climate justice advocacy. We believe in the power of our community coming together, supporting one another, and engaging in meaningful transformative conversations.

Can't wait to see you for an evening of enlightenment, friendship, and a shared commitment to making a positive impact in our world!

ZOOM LINK

TAKE OUR SURVEY

As we take on the new year, the UUWF is passionate about reflecting upon the past year's activities and events. We believe that your perspective is essential in shaping the future initiatives of our organization.

Therefore, we kindly request you to take a few moments to provide your valuable feedback through our survey.

Take Survey Here!

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