



THE GROVELAND E-WIRE

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Sunday Services

10:00 am, 1671 Summit Ave., St. Paul

Welcome to our Sunday services, now held on Zoom. The UUA has recommended that congregations continue virtual services for the time being. Please email Sara at leiste@yahoo.com for Zoom help.

January 10 - 10:00 am Social Justice – The UUA’s Involvement Presented by Rev. David Pyle



Rev. David Pyle will speak on the history and current involvement of the Unitarian Universalist Association in social justice, including the

principles, goals, strategies, resources and challenges of this aspect of Unitarian Universalism. Since the MidAmerica Region has a number of small congregations like Groveland Fellowship, he will share the experiences of those small congregations with us and recommend how we may successfully network for social justice.

Rev. Pyle is the Regional Lead and a Congregational Life Consultant with the MidAmerica Unitarian Universalist Regional Staff. Additionally, he serves as a U.S. Army Reserve Hospital Chaplain for the 865th Combat Support Hospital, with units throughout New York and Pennsylvania. He holds a Masters of Divinity from the Meadville Lombard Theological School and a Bachelor of Arts in History and Political Science from East Tennessee State University. He has served as minister or as administrator to congregations in California, Michigan, Illinois, and Texas.

January 17 – 10:00 am Visiting Sunday – Pilgrim House Faith and Science are Not Exclusive of One Another Presented by Prof. Kenneth M. Miller

We will meet on Zoom at 10:00 am for our regular check-in, then those who wish to join the Pilgrim House service may do so at 10:15. (The link to the service will be sent on January 16.)



Professor Kenneth Miller of Brown University, Providence, RI, author of *Finding Darwin’s God*, *Only a Theory* and *The Human Instinct: How We Evolved to Have Reason*, and *Consciousness and Free-Will*, will tell us why religion and science are not

mutually exclusive. Professor Miller is a nationally known speaker.

January 24 - 10:00 am Nationalism vs. Globalism Presented by Huron Smith

Which of the problems we face today can be met with an approach that does not require the buy-in of all of us? Can we have sufficient unity of purpose to decide a path to action, and to follow that path? Together we will consider what we can do to provide for all of us while having a social environment that promotes the full development of each of us. This presentation builds upon ideas developed September 30, 2018 in the Groveland Fellowship presentation, “Nationalism vs. Globalism: the new political divide.



Huron Smith is a member of Groveland Fellowship and currently serves as secretary.

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January 31 – 10:00 am Defund the Police

Presented by Rev. Dana Neuhauser,
M.DIV., M.A.

The phrase "Defund the Police" has many in the US talking, from young organizers to past and current presidents. The phrase brings mixed reactions, charged emotions, and often more questions than answers. Approached with an open spirit, the phrase invites us to consider alternatives to policing that honor the inherent dignity of all people.

Dana Neuhauser (she, her, hers) is a deacon in the United Methodist Church. She has a heart for racial, economic and environmental justice and seeks to invite and equip others to work for justice in the world as part of faithful living.

Dana completed theological studies at Garrett-Evangelical Theological Seminary and received a Certificate of Justice Ministry Education from Auburn Seminary. She holds a Master of Arts in Higher Education Administration from the University of Michigan and a Bachelor of Arts in Japanese and Religion from Macalester College. Dana and her spouse, Brad, live in Minneapolis with their three children.

Looking Ahead:

February 7 – 10:00 am Spiritual Music

Presented by Paul Hjelmstad



Groveland Fellowship member and pianist will present a service on Spiritual music.

Groveland Book Group Wednesday, January 20 6:30-8:00 pm



On January 20 we will meet at 6:30 pm on Zoom. Our format is a

discussion of books we are presently reading or have read recently. See our website for the Zoom link information. Please email Sara at leiste@yahoo.com for Zoom help.

Here is a list of the books we discussed in December:

Caste - Isabel Wilkerson

A Secret Agent - Joseph Conrad

Rising Out of Hatred: The Awakening of a Former White Nationalist - Eli Saslow

The History of White People - Nell Irvin Painter

The Well-Gardened Mind: The Restorative Power of Nature - Sue Stewart-Smith

Catching the Wind: Edward Kennedy and the Liberal Hour, 1932-1975 - Neal Gabler

Orphan House - Ann Bennett

Fear: Trump in the Whitehouse - Bob Woodward

Welcoming the Unwelcome - Pema Chödrön

Radical Compassion - Tara Branch

Keep Scrolling Until You Feel Something: 21 Years of Humor - from McSweeney's Internet Tendency

A Promised Land - Barack Obama

A Time for Mercy - John Grisham

The Naked Sun - Isaac Asimov

The Accusation: Forbidden Stories from Inside North Korea - Bandi

Groveland News:

Lois Hamilton Hospitalized



Lois was admitted to Regions Hospital on December 21 with symptoms of pain in her upper arm. An Ultrasound examination showed a large blood clot which was subsequently surgically removed. She was discharged on the 24th to continue to recover at home. Her daughter, Ruth was home for the holidays and helped her dad, Alan Lando, to care for Lois. Lois is grateful for the encouraging calls and messages sent by Groveland members. She wants to thank everyone for the lovely bouquet of flowers! (Shown in photo above.)

January Birthdays



Happy Birthday,
Judy and Bruce!

Groveland Outreach...

MORE Food Aid



Volunteers from Groveland Fellowship and other places meet at Whole Foods Market on Snelling and Selby Avenues to transport groceries to the Multicultural School for Empowerment (MORE). Please call Cathy Rucci, MORE's executive director at 651-204-0497 for more information or to volunteer.

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Services are at 10:00 am Sundays, September through May (Currently on Zoom)

Groveland meeting address:

Now on Zoom, but when we are able to meet in person again, we will be at the address below:

1671 Summit Ave
St Paul, MN 55105

Groveland UU Mailing address:

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PO Box 40011, St Paul, MN 55104

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