

## UUFH Happenings in a Flash!

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## The Weekly Fellowship Flash

February 5, 2026

Unitarian Universalist Fellowship of Huntington

### Love That Shows Up: Risking Love Anyway

Sunday, February 8 at 10:30 am

Led by Rev. Israel Buffardi



Music by UUFH Choir and Dylan DeFeo

In Person and Online ([www.uufh.org](http://www.uufh.org))

When love shows up, something changes.

What does love look like when it leaves the house? This service explores care as an embodied practice — in parenting, in community, and in moments of moral urgency. We'll reflect on what it means to risk love in a world that doesn't guarantee safety or fairness, and how care takes shape through ordinary acts: feeding, protecting, staying present, showing up anyway.

**Join us in person or online  
For online - please see the zoom link below.**

[Click Here for Online Zoom Link to Sunday Service](#)

## This Week's Events

### Hygge Day with Stemtastic

**Saturday, February 7 from 11 am - 3 pm at UUFH**

Discover Hygge, the Danish Secret to raising calm, confident and happy children. Join Stemtastic for Hygge day on Saturday, February 7th between 11 and 3pm. Drop in for some cozy crafts, creamy cocoa, fort building and sock skating.

Parent and teacher workshops will take place at 12 pm and 2 pm. Reserve your space by texting hygge to 646-283-4192.



### UUFH Potluck for February

**Sunday, February 8 after the service**

Happy Superbowl Potluck Sunday! It's a day to enjoy friends, family and a great game! Please bring your Superbowl favorites such as nachos, pigs-in-blankets, chili and the mandatory baked ziti casserole. In addition, all chocolate desserts are more than welcome to celebrate Valentine's Day! Please bring enough for 5 servings.

### Whistle Kit Assembly Party with UUFH Immigration Justice Team

**Sunday, February 8 from 12 - 1:30 pm in the UUFH Art Gallery**

The Immigration Justice team is hosting a whistle kit assembly party for Sunday, February 8, in the gallery from 12:00 - 1:30 pm, with some volunteers from the community. While we're working on the kits, we will be having a conversation about ways we can help our immigrant neighbors.

All are welcome!

Contact Steve Burby with any questions. 631-921-6479 and [steveburby@gmail.com](mailto:steveburby@gmail.com)

### Introducing Realm Connect!

- Look up members in UUFH directory
- Update your personal information
- Give online - one time & recurring gifts
- View giving history & print giving statements
- Make & keep track of pledges
- Keep in touch with Groups that matter to you



### Join the Realm Connect Online UUFH

Community

**Sunday, February 8 after service**

This Sunday, after service, stop by the Realm Connect table in the social hall to join the Realm Connect Online UUFH Community.

By joining Realm Connect you can:

- Look up members in UUFH directory - New online directory
- Update your personal information - You are in control of your own information
- Give online-one-time & recurring gifts - Easy and secure online pledges and giving
- Make and keep track of pledges - Clear statements available anytime

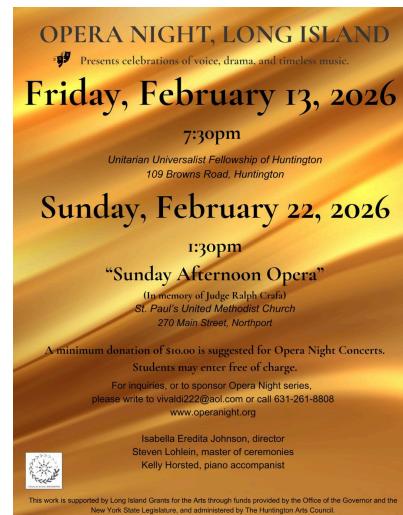
Visit [uufh.org/realm](http://uufh.org/realm) for more information. Stay tuned for your invitation!

# Upcoming Events

## Opera Night, Long Island (ONLI) Friday, February 13 at 7:30 pm at UUFH

Opera Night, Long Island (ONLI) is a nonprofit organization providing the Island's only live opera series. Our professional, classically trained singers perform excerpts from opera, operetta, art songs, and musical theater with piano accompaniment. ONLI presents monthly programs and is under the direction of Isabella Eredita Johnson.

A minimum donation of \$10.00 is suggested for all Opera Night, Long Island Concerts, (students enter for free). For more information, visit [www.operanight.org](http://www.operanight.org) or email [vivaldi222@aol.com](mailto:vivaldi222@aol.com).



## Democracy Forward Long Island Saturday, February 14 at 1 pm at UUFH

Join Democracy Forward Long Island at Unitarian Universalist Fellowship of Huntington on February 14, 2026 at 1:00 pm to get inspired and show how much you love democracy.

They'll share ideas, meet other pro-democracy volunteers, hear from candidates and learn about how each of us can best support them through volunteering roles that align with our interests and availability.

They'll also be screening the award-winning documentary "Join, or Die", based on the acclaimed book by Robert Putnam: "Bowling alone", about the critical importance of civic organizing.

Suggested donation collected at the door is \$10.00 minimum per person to cover space rental, insurance and film license.

## Open Meeting about Social Justice at UUFH Sunday, February 15 after the service

Please join us after the service on Sunday, February 15th in the Main Hall for an open meeting about social justice at UUFH. We will discuss what we are already working on as a community and explore ideas for new ways we can practice our values. This is a great opportunity to get involved for the first time or to deepen your existing commitment to social justice at UUFH!

## UUFH Board Meetings Open to All Tuesday, February 17 at 7 pm on Zoom

The Board of Trustees holds a monthly meeting to discuss Fellowship business, such as budgeting and policies. While only officers and trustees can vote, any interested members can attend as observers. We usually meet on Zoom. Our next meeting will be Tuesday, February 17,

at 7 pm. Please contact the president, Liza Burby, at [lizaburby@gmail.com](mailto:lizaburby@gmail.com) if you'd like to attend. She will then share the Zoom link.

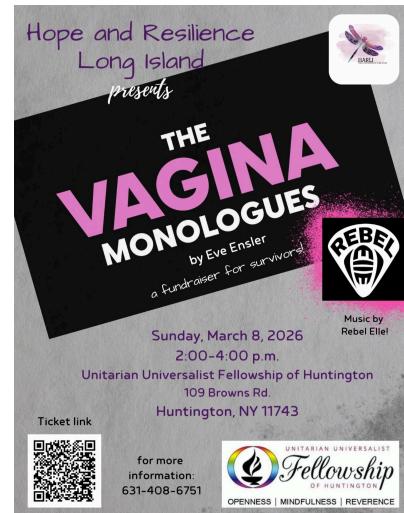
### SAVE THE DATE:

**The Vagina Monologues Benefit to Support Domestic Violence Survivors**

**Sunday, March 8 from 2 - 4 pm**

The UUFH Reproductive Justice Team is hosting Eve Ensler's acclaimed play *The Vagina Monologues* on Sunday, March 8 from 2 - 4 pm. All proceeds will benefit Hope and Resilience Long Island (HARLI). The event also introduces our Reproductive Justice Team, which works to protect reproductive rights in New York, support vulnerable populations in accessing healthcare, and collaborate on LGBTQ+ reproductive rights advocacy.

Ensler's play explores women's experiences through powerful monologues addressing love, sexuality, violence and empowerment. The afternoon performance will feature music by Rebel Elle. HARLI is a grassroots nonprofit providing legal advocacy, trauma counseling and emergency assistance to survivors of domestic abuse, sexual assault and human trafficking on Long Island. Click here to buy tickets: <https://www.zeffy.com/en-US/ticketing/the-vagina-monologues-at-uu-fellowship-of-huntington>



## UUA General Assembly

General Assembly 2026 will take place from Sunday, June 14, through Sunday, June 21.



- June 14–16: Business of the Association (all online)
- June 17–18: Connection, Travel, or Personal Time
- June 19–21: Worship, Learning, and Celebration (online and broadcast from the Studio Site in Louisville)

The 65th UUA General Assembly will be a virtual event with an optional in-person component. When you register for General Assembly 2026, you'll receive access to the Whova Event App, your central hub for interactive and on-demand video content, the EduCenter library, and networking opportunities with other participants.

- [Adult registration](#) is open now.
- You may register through February 28 with a down payment of \$50 by selecting the Early Bird Fee of \$350 Payment Plan at checkout. Make subsequent payments at your pace ([bit.ly/UUAGApay](https://bit.ly/UUAGApay)); all registration orders must be paid in full by May 15 or are subject to cancellation.
- Studio Site Admission (does not include lodging): \$300

Limited funds are available to help with cost of registration for delegates to GA and attendance at other denominational conferences. Requests for funds should go to Secretary, [Susan Peters](#). Check out the [UUA website](#) for further information.

## Announcements

### Pastoral Care Committee Update

Many of you may not know about our Fellowship's Pastoral Care Committee and what they do. They don't just collect written joys and concerns at Sunday morning services. They work together, along with Rev. Israel in supporting our members during times of emotional, spiritual, or physical difficulties. They offer connections so no person needs to struggle alone.

They also work closely with the Care/ Share committee, who works to provide needed rides, meals, etc. to our members.

Please know all shared communication is confidential. If you feel the need, please reach out to the Pastoral Care committee, [\*\*Martha Ketteridge - chair\*\*](#), Sue McGovern, Mary Bly, Lynda Morella, Doreatha Hirsch, Carol Granelli, Cyndi Vulcan-Neber, Prue Emery, and Nancy Wilkow. They are here to support you.

### **Check the UUFH Website!**

Be sure to check the [\*\*UUFH website\*\*](#) for the latest information, including the Board of Trustees' monthly minutes.

### **UUFH Office Hours for Next Week - February 9 - 13**

The UUFH Office will be open Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday next week. Please call 631-427-9547 or email [office@uufh.org](mailto:office@uufh.org) if you have any questions.

### **View Previous Services on YouTube**

You can always find the last four services [on our website](#), or, please subscribe to [our YouTube channel!](#)

[View the February 1, 2026 Service:](#)



### **February Split Plate**



The vision of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People (NAACP) is to ensure a society in which all individuals have equal rights without discrimination based on race. Founded in 1909, the NAACP is the nation's oldest and largest civil rights organization. From the ballot box to the classroom, the thousands of dedicated workers, organizers, leaders, and members who make up the NAACP continue to fight for social justice for all Americans. The Huntington Branch works with the state and national NAACP offices to strengthen their commitment to supporting equality and justice in the Huntington community. This is an annual contribution by UUFH to the Huntington NAACP for Black History Month.

To learn more about our Split Plate program, visit <https://www.uufh.org/faith-in-action/in-the-community/split-plate/>

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