



Hello Friends,

The board met on Saturday afternoon (March 14) to discuss next steps in the UCE plan to keep everyone healthy.

In addition to what we're already doing, here's what else we'll be doing:

- Continuing with the March 15 service, but making “low touching” adaptations (e.g., seating, candles and Carry the Flame will be done differently).
 - Please consider your own health and the health of others as you decide on whether to attend or not. As always, the service will be [podcast](#), so you can enjoy it at a later time from anywhere.
- Cancelling the remaining services at UCE in March. We are developing plans to stream services online and post them to sites such as [Facebook](#) and [YouTube](#). Don't forget that the [Church of the Larger Fellowship](#), a Unitarian Universalist Congregation Without Walls, has been offering weekly interactive services, small group ministry (Exploration Groups), support groups, talk shows, and other material to thousands of UUs around the world for many years. All are welcome to connect with them.
- Working on offering other church activities (e.g., Religion on Tap, coffee hour) in a variety of ways on different platforms.
- Looking at ways to stay connected. Many people are already self-isolating, and traditional social gathering places such as theatres and recreation centres are closing. Community is critical at times like this and we know we have a great one. We're considering online options like Facebook, Google Meets, and Zoom. We're also looking at reviving phone trees (and maybe “text trees”!). If you have other ideas, please let us know.
- Having our staff work from home. They are very important to us and we want them to stay healthy.
- Talking to our renters about their plans and working with them to ensure everyone stays healthy.
- Postponing the Congregational Dinner that was planned for April 4.
- Playing the Garage Sale, casino and AGM by ear. The situation is changing rapidly, and we have too little information right now to make informed decisions about these events.
- Meeting as a board as often as needed to ensure that UCE continues to run smoothly and safely.

We will keep you informed as things evolve. Please watch your email, or the church Facebook and Twitter accounts for updates. We will also reach out to those who don't use these channels.

If you have questions or suggestions, please email Karen Bilida Unitarian.Edmonton@yahoo.ca .

Your board,
Karen Mills, Karen Bilida, Doug Eastwell, Gloria Krenbrenk, Yvonne Mireau, Brandi Moller-Reid, Kathy Stanley, Robert Begg

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Conversations will not be cancelled.

Relationships will not be cancelled

Love will not be cancelled.

Music will not be cancelled.

Reading will not be cancelled.

Self-care will not be cancelled.

Hope will not be cancelled.

***May we lean into the
good stuff that remains.***

