
October 2024: Outlaw's Bridge Universalist Church

Welcoming Congregation

The Bridge

You are encouraged to join us for 11:00 a.m. church services.

No Sunday School programs and no childcare.

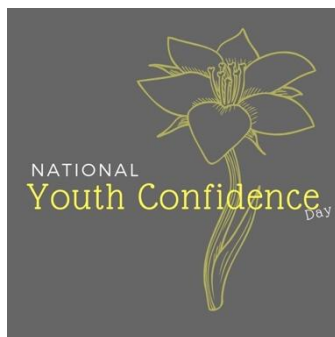
The playroom is clean and open for parents who wish to use it.

October 6: "Patterns" – Jimmy Merritt – Music is life in miniature. Scales, chords, melodies and rhythms are mere patterns. From the time we are born we start a life of widening patterns both physically, philosophically and spiritually. A trinity of patterns so to speak! Let us weigh the implications of these connections that bind.

October 13: "National Youth Confidence Day" – Lisa Stolar – October 20 is National Youth Confidence Day. Let's learn ways to observe and participate.

October 20: "Spirit of Life" – Reverend Brian Clougherty – "Spirit of Life" is the title of a popular hymn in the gray hymnal. What does this mean? Let's explore.

October 27: "Highlights of Universalist Convocation" – Reverend Justin Lapoint – Justin will point out the highlights of this year's Convocation that was entitled "Preserving the Spiritual Roots of American Universalism".



Dates to Remember

October 10: AUW Meeting

October 13: Board Meeting following services and covered-dish lunch.

**HARVEST SALE, SATURDAY
OCTOBER 5**



Sale at 3:00 p.m.

Dinner at 6:00 p.m.



“The Optimist Creed”

Christian D. Larson

The poem is about inner strength and starts with a motivational suggestion: to “Promise Yourself: To be so strong that nothing can disturb your peace of mind.” The rest of the poem gives more examples of exactly what you should do to proclaim your confidence with actions. Here’s the full poem:

Promise yourself:

To be so strong that nothing can disturb your peace of mind.

To talk health, happiness and prosperity to every person you meet.

To make all your friends feel that there is something worthwhile in them.

To look at the sunny side of everything and make your optimism come true.

To think only of the best, to work only for the best and to expect only the best.

To be just as enthusiastic about the success of others as you are about your own.

To forget the mistakes of the past and press on to the greater achievements of the future.

To wear a cheerful countenance at all times and give every living creature you meet a smile.

To give so much time to the improvement of yourself that you have no time to criticize others.

**To be too large for worry, too noble for anger, too strong for fear and
too happy to permit the presence of trouble.**

**To think well of yourself and to proclaim this fact to the world, not in loud words
but in great deeds.**

**To live in the faith that the whole world is on your side,
so long as you are true to the best that is in you.**

Dare to think highly of yourself.

Sunday, October 20 is National Youth Confidence Day. It celebrates the energy, spirit and potential of young people. The day is an acknowledgement of all they will accomplish, respectively. Guidance, leadership and mentors will help light the path, indeed. In addition, today’s youth will navigate the obstacles that will inevitably lay before them. Let us strive to encourage our youth to be confident in themselves and become the leaders the future will need.