



# CONNECTIONS

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## During the pandemic

We are meeting via Zoom for worship services, 2nd Hour classes, and social activities. Our Facebook page has information for all of our events, including Zoom ID.

## Our Mission

We transform ourselves, our community, and our world by intentionally living our Unitarian Universalist principles.

## Our Covenant

This sacred community is rooted in our search for meaning, guided by personal experience, diverse religious traditions, and scientific discovery. We are as varied as the blooms of the Sonoran Desert, yet draw strength from one another.

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## Committees and Groups Supporting Church Operations/Infrastructure

The **Care Team** provides emotional, social, and comforting services to those in need. Care Team members provide meals, visits, and cards to congregants and also referrals to the community. Aston Bloom, [abloom46@aol.com](mailto:abloom46@aol.com).

The **Facilities Team** recommends future building and maintenance projects. It also can help provide simple maintenance, such as landscaping, painting, repairs, and electrical services. Jody Bergedick, [jbergvt@hotmail.com](mailto:jbergvt@hotmail.com), and Margot Garcia, [mgarcia@vcu.edu](mailto:mgarcia@vcu.edu).

The **Finance Committee** studies and recommends plans for budgeting, savings, loans, and monitoring finances of UUCT. They develop a proposed budget before the Stewardship Campaign and make suggestions to the board for the final annual budget. Linda French, [ljf310154@yahoo.com](mailto:ljf310154@yahoo.com).

The **Kitchen Ministry** assists with special events, such as the annual auction. Margo Newhouse, [margonewhouse25@hotmail.com](mailto:margonewhouse25@hotmail.com).

The **Welcoming/Membership Team** provides a Welcome Center where newcomers can hear about the church and get literature about UU/UUCT and about how to get engaged in church life. The Team plans orientations for newcomers and welcoming strategies. Beth Britton: [britton2148@gmail.com](mailto:britton2148@gmail.com).

The **Worship Committee** meets every other month. Since UUCT began to offer online services with the other Baja 4 congregations, the members of the Worship Committee have contributed to several of the services but no longer plans services. We offer feedback and suggestions on how to further improve the online services. Chair: Bert Meek, [bmeek3@q.com](mailto:bmeek3@q.com).

The **Personnel Committee** assists the Board of Directors with policies, procedures, and employee-related services needed for a well-functioning congregation. They also ensure UUCT is a good employer. Becky Keyes, [scrapkeyes@yahoo.com](mailto:scrapkeyes@yahoo.com).

The **Social Justice Council** is working on various local social justice issues: buying coffee from Cafe Justo in Agua Prieta to sell to church members; providing hard-boiled eggs and clothing to Casa Maria Soup Kitchen; organizing our Share the Plate program, which supports many charitable organizations in Tucson; providing offerings for Second Hour programs around racial and social justice issues; and having a racial justice team. We are also working with UUJAZ to enroll members in the upcoming Beloved Conversations series, Aston Bloom, [abloom46@aol.com](mailto:abloom46@aol.com).

**Ways and Means:** Various subgroups operate fairly autonomously to generate funds for the church, such as the auction and yard sale. Beth Britton: [britton2148@gmail.com](mailto:britton2148@gmail.com).

## Find your community in social, support, and interest groups

**Book Club** meets once a month to discuss books the group has chosen to read. Janet Healey, 520-886-2201

**Conversations Among Friends** holds remote Zoom sessions Wednesdays at 2:30 p.m. for an hour. Ronna James facilitates. All welcome. More info, login instructions, Gilbert Moore, 520-790-7568, [gmoore579@aol.com](mailto:gmoore579@aol.com).

The **Grief Group** meets weekly on Zoom (Sundays at 9:00 am). It is available for anyone suffering from the death of a loved one, by divorce, or by other major life-changes. Facilitator: Lynn Bradley (520) 235-5812 (text only) or email to: [sundrenchedparadise@gmail.com](mailto:sundrenchedparadise@gmail.com).

**Men's Group:** Open to all adult men, this group meets on the second and fourth Wednesday evening of each month for two hours, to share friendship and support. Rick Meyer, Coordinator. [ricksethmeyer@centurylink.net](mailto:ricksethmeyer@centurylink.net).

**Choir and Music Ministry:** Choir meets weekly, every Wednesday from 5:30 to 6:45 pm with summer break. Open to anyone who sings or plays an instrument. Brian Moon, Director: [bmoon@uuctucson.org](mailto:bmoon@uuctucson.org)

**Quilters** meet every Wednesday for quilting and socializing. Jackie Barnes, (520) 792-8021.

**School Age Religious Education:** Volunteer as a Sunday Morning Role Model or Our Whole Lives (OWL)! Contact Jamili at [DRE.UUCT@gamil.com](mailto:DRE.UUCT@gamil.com).

**Southern AZ Covenant of UU Pagans** is an interfaith group connecting UUs and Pagans of many different traditions in an inclusive, welcoming space. The group celebrates Earth-based faiths in harmony with UU Principles. All events are on Zoom. Email us at [sazcuups@uuctucson.org](mailto:sazcuups@uuctucson.org) or see <https://www.facebook.com/SAZCUUPS> or <https://uuctucson.org/worship/sazcuups.html>

**T-BIRDS: Tucson Winter Members, Friends and Visitors.** Seasonal residents in flight from snow, rain and frigid temperatures meet from November to April. If the TBIRD postings at <https://groups.google.com/d/forum/tbirds-uuct> leaves questions unanswered, contact [howard.tolley@gmail.com](mailto:howard.tolley@gmail.com) for more information.

**Tucson UU Younger Adults:** If you are 18+ in generations x, y or z and self-identify as a younger adult, email [Janicesignin@gmail.com](mailto:Janicesignin@gmail.com) or join on Facebook, [www.facebook.com/groups/TUUYA](http://www.facebook.com/groups/TUUYA).

**UUCT Social Meetup on Facebook:** Social meetups are either spontaneous or well-planned excursions to educational presentations. Sandy Ongley, Coordinator: [sandyongley@hotmail.com](mailto:sandyongley@hotmail.com)

**Welcoming LBGTA Group** serves those in the LBGTA community and advocates. Jerry and Bob, [lgbtqai@uuctucson.org](mailto:lgbtqai@uuctucson.org).

