

# yUUper Newsletter

### Keweenaw Unitarian Universalist Fellowship

"We affirm the inherent worth and dignity of every person."



BHK Building (700 Park Ave., Houghton). Enter on North Side, off Waterworks Drive

**Sunday Mornings at 10:30** 



**August 4:** Paul's topic is on "Language and Experience." Language is always evolving, adapting to the needs of its users. Expressing our experience is at the core of language use and developments in language will move forward because our experiences are not adequately expressed with existing terms.

UUs across the nation are working to understand the experience of others, focusing on the marginalized voices of, among others, peoples of color, members of the LGBTQ community, and people with disabilities.

Language can obstruct understanding. This Sunday we're going to try and understand the language we're using so we might better understand another's experience. Amlan Mukherjee and Suzy Swanson will help lead this service.

**August 11: Forum.** Anne Newcombe will preside. No information is available at press time.

## **August 18:** Paul's topic is "**Seeking** Commonality--Finding Pain."

The compelling work of Unitarian Universalism today is to recognize the experiences of people and ideas that have been systemically marginalized.

This effort will eventually lead to a deeper understanding of our common humanity.

Navigating our path to that deeper understanding includes encountering pain, but pain may be the most powerful tool we have to

build that connection. *Potluck today*. Bring a dish to pass.

August 25: "Religion and Law in America," a short video from the Great Courses lecture series. This will be narrated by Prof. Mark Berkson, chair of the religion department at Hamline University of Minneapolis. Bill Fink presides.

#### Film Showing Set for August 8th

The KUUF Community Project organizers invite



everyone to a showing of the film *Babette's Feast* on Thursday, August 8<sup>th</sup>, at 6:30pm.

We'll gather at the KUUF Office, in the Trinity Episcopal Church Building, 203 E. Montezuma in Houghton.

After the film, we'll discuss themes from the

movie and see how they offer suggestions for our potential project. Also, the internet tells me this is Pope Francis' favorite movie! So, come see what the Pope has in his "watched list!"

### **KUUF Seeks Home Hospitality People**

Are you interested in providing home hospitality for a visiting minister? Occasionally, a visiting minister requests home hospitality rather than a night's stay in an area motel. If you are interested in the possibility, let Barry Fink know, and she will put you on our home host list. No commitment required.



Kuure Family Visits, Partakes of Koffee Klatch

Former KUUF members, Dave and Mary Kuure, visit with the Koffee Klatch members earlier this summer.



#### From Our Library,

Did you attend "Open Mic Sunday" on June 2, 2019? If you did not, and you want to know what happened on that day, we have an excellent

resource for you. Wil Shapton, who emceed on that day, compiled a written record of the proceedings, and created a binder of information.

Wil's binder contains information about more than a dozen individual readings by Tom Hoornstra, Linda Belote, Bill Leder, Miriam Pickens, Betzi Praeger, Shirley Galbraith, Linda Rulison, Wil, and I, along with others unidentified. Also, Chuck Young and Tom Hiltunen gave musical performances.



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#### From Our Library (Continued)

Some of the entries in the binder contain the complete text, while others contain just a short citation. Several speakers actually wrote their readings, usually of a biographical or autobiographical topic. The most popular topic for the day concerned the concept of "Yooper"—ranging from a newspaper article to recent scholarly research on the dialect.

We have one copy ready for check-out.
\_\_Bob Fiandt

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http://www.keweenawuu.org/

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https://www.facebook.com/keweenawuu/

**Koffee Klatsch:** Every 2nd and 4th Fridays at 10 AM. Roy's Bakery. For August, the group will meet on the 12<sup>th</sup> and 26<sup>th</sup>.