

This 'n' That

Date	Service (11 a.m.)	Forum (9:45 – 10:30a.m.)
April 26	*“Wabi Sabi.” Service Leader: gg gordon	“Discussion and Revision of MqtUU’s Mission Statement.” Hosts: gg gordon and Nancy Sullivan

7 Principles of Unitarian Universalism
Affirm & Promote:

- The inherent worth and dignity of every person;
- Justice, equity and compassion in human relations;
- Acceptance of one another and encouragement to spiritual growth in our congregations;
- A free and responsible search for truth and meaning;
- The right of conscience and the use of the democratic process within our congregations and in society at large;
- The goal of world community with peace, liberty, and justice for all;
- Respect for the interdependent web of all existence of which we are a part.

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or



*“Wabi Sabi”

Wabi-sabi (侘寂?) represents a comprehensive [Japanese world view](#) or [aesthetic](#) centered on the acceptance of [transience](#) and imperfection. The aesthetic is sometimes described as one of beauty that is "imperfect, impermanent, and incomplete".^[2] It is a concept derived from the [Buddhist](#) teaching of the [three marks of existence](#) (三法印 *sanbōin?*), specifically [impermanence](#) (無常 *mujō?*), the other two being [suffering](#) (苦 *ku?*) and [emptiness or absence of self-nature](#) (空 *kū?*).



Characteristics of the wabi-sabi aesthetic include [asymmetry](#), [asperity](#) (roughness or irregularity), simplicity, economy, austerity, modesty, intimacy, and appreciation of the ingenuous integrity of natural objects and processes.

<http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Wabi-sabi>

MqtUU Hosts the Last Week of the Season for RATI

CHANGES IN DATE

The Marquette Unitarian Universalist Congregation will host Room at the Inn (RATI) during the week of **May 10th-May 17th**. Room at the Inn is rotating homeless shelter that operates October through May and we are hosting the final week of the 2015 season. We hosted RATI for the first time in January and it was incredibly successful. We, again, need all hands on deck to support this monumental and worthwhile project.

There is a volunteer opportunity for everyone from cooking and serving a meal, assisting with set up or break down, doing loads of laundry, covering a shift (MUST attend a training--see below), providing cleaning supplies and more.

Sign up will be available on Sundays with the goal of having all slots filled by Sunday, April 12th. You may also contact Sarah Johnson, 458-3915 or iamsarahjeanjohnson@gmail.com OR Michelle Halley, 361-0520 or michelle.halley@sbcglobal.net.

<p>FROM:</p> <p>Stewardship Committee Chair, Mike White</p> <p>And our treasurer, gg gordon</p>	<p>"A Big Thank You goes out to all who have already submitted their pledges, by mail or directly to g.g. gordon, our Treasurer."</p> <p>If you have yet to submit completed pledge forms, please do so either by mailing, giving to gg gordon or Mike White, or putting in the treasurer's folders at the meetinghouse on or before Sunday, April 19.</p> <p>THANK YOU!</p>
<p>April 2015 "Share the Plate"</p>	 <p>Bay Cliff Health Camp is a place apart... where children and adults with physical disabilities learn to believe in themselves, strive for fuller lives, and realize their dreams. We also are a place that offers a warm, friendly environment and excellent facilities for guest programs promoting health, wellness, education and youth development.</p> <p>www.baycliff.org</p>
<p>Tender Loving Care...</p>	<p>We all need it once in a while. If you or a fellow MqtUU member is in need of TLC, chicken soup, a ride to Sunday Service or an appointment, or other caring needs...PLEASE REACH OUT whether in person, phone call or email! The TLC Team has a new email just for this use! mqtuucare@gmail.com</p>
<p>Fleece Tie Blanket Project for Camp New Day</p> <p>Mark your calendars: Saturday, May 9 from 1-4 pm</p>	<p>We will again be making blankets for the campers at Camp New Day. This will be an intergenerational activity with children, teens and adults working together on making these blankets. So please save the date and time! More info to come.</p>  <p>Any questions? Give Nancy Sullivan a call.</p>
<p>Committees & Contacts</p> <p>An opportunity to give of your time and talents!</p>	<p>Adult Enrichment ~ gg gordon Green Team ~ Sarah Redmond Religious Exploration ~ Jill Mielcarek Sunday Services ~ Tom Sullivan Communication Team ~ Sarah Redmond Community Development ~ Tim VanderVeen</p> <p>Facility ~ Shaun Devlin Music ~ Jean Trost Social Action ~ Megan Foulks</p>
<p><i>Meet your MqtUU Representatives</i></p>	<p>Sarah Redmond, President; Chris Wagner, Vice President Teri Rockwood, Secretary; Mary Maki, Trustee Tim VanderVeen, Trustee; gg gordon, Treasurer Heidi Gould, Administrative Assistant Lisa McKenzie, Religious Exploration Coordinator</p>

The Mission Statement Committee

has drafted a mission statement for the Congregation's consideration. Ideally a mission statement is something a congregation can insert into its order of service, say in unison at services, and use to define our organization to outsiders.

Here is the Committee's draft Mission Statement:

We, the Marquette Unitarian Universalist Congregation, are

Bound Together By a Core Belief in the Power of Love; and are

Committed to Building Beloved Community.

We Care for, Nurture and Support the Spiritual Growth of One Another;

We Share Reverence for our Natural Environment and are Dedicated to the

Respectful Stewardship of the Earth; and

We Work Together to Bend the Moral Arc of the Universe toward Justice.

The congregation is invited to offer feedback, reactions, suggestions, proposed edits, etc. on this proposal. Comments may be submitted via email to [g.g. gordon](mailto:g.g.gordon), plumskiter@gmail.com, or to g.g. or Nancy Sullivan in person. An upcoming Adult Forum dedicated to a discussion of the proposal will be scheduled. Any and all input is invited and welcome. **THANK YOU!**



Hey, if you know someone who is not coming to the Meeting House cuz they need a ride, please call the Meeting House at (906) 249-9450 and we will help! If you regularly attend MqtUU and are willing and available to give a ride to a neighbor please call and we will add you to the rideshare list.

THANK YOU!

Marqtran Door-to-Door Service is available to schedule rides from anywhere in Marquette to our Meeting House!

Please call 225-1112 or Check out marqtran.com

“It ain’t easy being green...”

But we do try to make it easier for you.

If you have any of the following items that are used up or which you no longer need or want, please bring them to the meetinghouse and place them into the PlanetGreen recycling bins in the entryway. We send these items off for recycling and receive money in return. So, help out the planet and the congregation by letting us recycle these items for you:

Inkjet Cartridges	Cell Phones/Pagers & Accessories
GPS & Radar Detectors	Mobile Hot Spots
Calculators	eBook Readers
iPods/MP3 Players	Digital/Video Cameras
PDA's iPads/Tablets	Video Game Consoles & Handhelds
Video Games & Accessories	

MqtUU also collects Tadych's Econo slips to help funds for our congregation as well. Please collect your receipts and drop them in the box marked "Econo slips" in the entry way of the meeting house.

THANK YOU!!