



TIMBERLAND UNITARIAN UNIVERSALIST FELLOWSHIP
A WELCOMING FELLOWSHIP
1510 North Timberland Drive, Lufkin, TX 75905 (tuuf.org)

June 2019 PROGRAM SCHEDULE

For those who
long for open
minds and open
hearts.

All Sunday services begin at 5:30PM & Refreshments at 5pm
Rev. Michael Thompson conducts monthly service on 2nd Sunday
Forum discussion on the 1st and 3rd Sunday of each month at 4 PM
Journaling group meets the 4th Friday at 10:30am unless posted

SUNDAY June 2, 2019

4PM Forum: “Exploring Prayer: Sacred Poems, & Personal Prayer.” By Anne McCrady (Poet & peace activist from Tyler) Reading sacred poems & writing personal prayers are thought of differently by UUs.

5:30PM Service: “Poem & Prayer, the language of our longing.”

The healing impulse to speak to and about the divine. by Anne McCrady.

SUNDAY June 9, 2019

5:30PM Service: “Deus ex Machina” by Rev. Michael Thompson. Science has invented a device that, by changing the electromagnetic activity of the brain, can induce altered, mystical states of consciousness at the flick of a switch. What might the implications be for the theology and religion?

6:30PM Potluck Dinner

SUNDAY June 16, 2019

4PM Forum: “HOW TO OVERCOME OUR BIASES? Walk boldly toward them.”

TED Talk by Vernā Myers TEDx Beacon Street, Nov 2014

Our biases can be dangerous, even deadly — as we've seen in the cases of Michael Brown in Ferguson, Missouri, and Eric Garner, in Staten Island, New York. Diversity advocate Vernā Myers looks closely at some of the subconscious attitudes we hold toward out-groups. She makes a plea to all people: Acknowledge your biases. Then move toward, not away from, the groups that make you uncomfortable. Myers encourages us to recognize our own biases in order

to actively combat them, emphasizing a "low guilt, high responsibility" philosophy. In her work she points to her own inner biases, because, as she says, "People relax when they know the diversity lady has her own issues." In a funny, impassioned, important talk, she shows us how.

Vernā Myers is a diversity consultant and self-described "recovering lawyer" with a degree from Harvard Law. She is dedicated to promoting meaningful, lasting diversity in the workplace and leads the [Vernā Myers Consulting Group](#), an organization that has helped break down barriers of race, gender, ethnicity and sexual orientation in thousand-member workplaces. She is also the author of [Moving Diversity Forward: How to Go from Well-Meaning to Well-Doing](#).

5:30PM Service: "WHAT WE CAN DO ABOUT THE CULTURE OF HATE"

TED Talk by Sally Kohn at TEDWomen 2017 Nov 2017

We're all against hate, right? We agree it's a problem -- their problem, not our problem, that is. But as Sally Kohn discovered, we all hate -- some of us in subtle ways, others in obvious ones. As she confronts a hard story from her own life, she shares ideas on how we can recognize, challenge and heal from hatred in our institutions and in ourselves.

[Sally Kohn](#) has a powerful vision for a more united, United States. She searches for common ground among political foes by focusing on the compassion and humanity in everyone. Kohn is a columnist and a political commentator for CNN, and has appeared on Fox, MSNBC and has written for [The Daily Beast](#), [Salon](#), [The Atlantic](#) and [TIME Magazine](#). She is working on a book about hate that will be published in the spring of 2018. As a former contributor to Fox News, this progressive lesbian sparred with some of the most conservative minds on television and has sifted through hundreds of letters of hate mail a day. But she deeply believes in finding our common humanity, political differences aside. Before we can achieve political correctness, we must first establish emotional correctness — and this will ignite conversations that lead to real change.

SUNDAY June 23, 2019

5:30 PM Service: "The Drive to have a Unified Worldview" by David Overland.

David is a Buddhist and retired NASA scientist from Houston

SUNDAY June 30, 2019

5:30Pm Annual Business Meeting. Election of new officers. All members are encouraged to attend. Open nominations for officers, then the members will vote.

TUUF Service Opportunities include:

Collection & Distribution of supplies for homeless (House of Compassion)

HOST Mentoring Program at Brandon Elementary (Begins in the fall).

Contact Sheila Skelton at 936-633-7629

CISC (Christian Information & Services) Food Bank 936-634-2857

Timberland Unitarian Universalist Fellowship

2017-2019 Officers

President:	Glenn Donnahoe
Vice President/Programs:	Susan Mendola
Treasurer:	Gloria Barnett
Secretary:	Layne Thompson
Past President:	Lois Clemens

Fellowship Responsibilities

Ground Maintenance:	Glenn Donnahoe
Sunday Bulletins & Custodial:	Gloria Barnett
Maintenance Coordinator:	Thomas Ward
Music:	Fisher
Refreshments Chair person	Mildred Love
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Program:	Richard Mendola
Website:	Thomas Ward