



The Harbinger

*The Gathering at Northern Hills is a congregation
of free people*

*As such, we celebrate
diversity and welcome to our services all persons,
irrespective of race, ethnicity, disability, sexual orientation, or faith.
We invite and welcome to our membership those in agreement with our
purposes and principles.*

Website:

<http://www.gnhuu.org>

**Join GNH Sunday
Morning Services
at 10:45**

or Join GNH on Zoom

<https://zoom.us/j/95703829636>

**email gnhuu460@gmail.com
to receive additional
Church information**

Phone 513-931-6651

. JUNE

spring waltzed in
with measured beats
the song at crescendo
june lifts her head
dance card set
for the innuendo
~ p j gordon

JeannieChambers.com

- Can't you just see June standing with her dance partner, waiting for the music to start? Her head lifted,
- chin jutted upwards, feeling with all
- her senses, the dance.

. Sanctuary Services

Join GNH Zoom Sunday Morning Service Meeting

<https://zoom.us/j/91833287637>

GNH Website

Be sure to check out GNH's updated web site—gnhuu.org—

GNH currently offers hybrid services.

You may attend in our sanctuary or online via our Zoom Link:

All past service videos can be found on the church webpage: gnhuu.org

Click where it says "**View the latest service videos here**" and the most recent service video will appear. At the top right of the video you will see a three line icon, click this to access other service videos.

SUNDAY SERVICE MESSAGES

Masks Consideration

COVIDACTNOW.org states that our area is at a **MEDIUM** level of community risk for COVID,

Please consider your personal situation and make the choice that is right for you.

This Sunday, June 21, 2026 Topic this week is **Grandmother of Juneteenth – "In spite of it ALL"**. Guest speaker **Ramon Beck**, current president of the UU Council of Greater Cincinnati, will be at GNH to help us understand and observe Juneteenth.

Next Sunday, June 28, 2026 Frequent speakers and friends **Les** and **Steph Tacy** will provide a special service to "**Celebrate Summer in Song**".

Sunday, July 5, 2026, Join us on Fourth of July weekend to learn more about some of our Unitarian forbears' thoughts on democracy

Sunday, July 12, 2026, Our Topic is "**Joy of Pluralism—a UU Value**" and our speaker is member Vickie Villavicencio



School Supplies Needed for Found House

In the past as part of the Interfaith Hospitality Network (IHN), GNH volunteered meals for homeless families that stayed in neighboring churches during the week. IHN is now known as Found House Interfaith Housing Network, and homeless families are presently housed in a residence in Price Hill.

Our GNH Outreach Team has decided to help Found House on a quarterly basis in ways other than donating meals. For the May through July quarter, we are collecting school supplies (listed below) for them:

- Backpacks (new or gently used)
- Binders, paper, and dividers
- Spiral notebooks (1-subject and 3-subject)
- Pens, pencils, highlighters, crayons, and markers
- **Flashcards, Post-it notes, and index cards**
- **Planners and calendars for the 2026–2027 academic year**
- **Whiteout and erasers**
- Thumb drives (new and unopened)

Please put your donations in the large plastic tub (the basket is for VICRC donations) next to the stairs in the foyer outside the Quimby Room.

We will need school donations by Sunday, July 26, so we can make sure Found House receives them by the end of that month.

This is one way for us to carry out GNH Outreach Team's mission "to provide support for underserved children in the Greater Cincinnati Area." **Thank you for your generosity!**

Lighthouse Shelter for Youth:

Monday, June 22, 2026

Tom Lottman and Allen Jerome will serve lunch at the Lighthouse
on the
fourth Monday of each month.

Tom and Allen are supported by members of the former Women's
Action Network,
renames GNH Outreach Team (Go Team) chaired by Betsy
Anderson.

If you have any questions or would like to offer food donations for
a Lighthouse lunch, please contact Tom, Allen or Betsy.
Usually, a main dish is served as well as fruit and dessert.



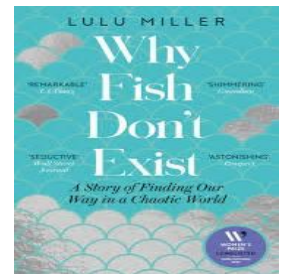
Book Club

Our next meeting is Friday, July 10, 2026

The GNH Book Club will meet on the 2nd Friday in July.
in the Quimby Room and also on Zoom at 1pm.

Contact [Susanne Bjourner at susanne.bjourner@gmail.com](mailto:susanne.bjourner@gmail.com) for the zoom link)

7/10 Why Fish Don't Exist by LuLu Miller



We welcome anyone who would like to join our discussions. We usually try to read a wide variety of topics and genres. The book selections are suggested by members, and the club is always interested in hearing book recommendations from anyone interested in joining our discussions.

8/7 How To Say Babylon by Safiya Sinclair

9/4 Icy Sparks by Gwyn Hyman Rubio

10/2 Trials Of Nina McCall by Scott Stern

11/6 The Correspondent by Virginia Evans

12/4 Empire Falls by Richard Russo

GNH BOOK CLUB

SECOND TUESDAY DISCUSSION GROUP

Every Second Tuesday
Discussion via Zoom

The next meeting will be on The Second Tuesday,
July 14, 2026, from 3:00 to 4:00 pm via Zoom.

This is an informal meeting of a casual group of GNH
members and friends. **ALL are welcome and
encouraged to join this session.**

If you are not already on the mailing list to receive the
Zoom link and preparation email, contact
Susanne Bjorner susanne.bjorner@gmail.com or
Sue Cline scline0149@gmail.com.





Gardening is Good for The Mind and Soul

Don't have a sunny space for a garden? The Gathering at Northern Hills has raised to meet your needs.

Grow vegetables and flowers, enjoy the outdoors and make new friends!

This year GNH has 4'x 8' raised beds available to rent for \$25.00 each.

Ready for planting by Mother's Day,

May 10, 2026.

Spaces are subject to availability and assigned on a first come first serve basis.

Contact Anita Jerome or Linda Gutowski for the application and rule forms.

Familiarize yourself with the garden and compost rules, then complete and sign the application and email back before May 3rd. When the completed application is approved the rent will be due in full.

"To plant is to believe in tomorrow."

Audrey Hepburn

GNH CARE TEAM

For Emergency Contact Information

We would like to keep basic emergency contact information for any member who lives alone or anyone who feels they would like the Care Team to have the information. This would include a family member or friend who could be contacted if there is some concern when someone has not been seen at services & has had no contact with anyone for a while.

Participation is purely voluntary.

If you are interested please contact your Care Team members through our designated email (gnhcareteam@gmail.com) or speak to one of us at services.

Anita, Becky, Betsy, Linda, Marti,
Sue Woodruff, Susanne Bjorner, Ruth

CARE TEAM BIRTH DATES REQUEST

The Care Team would like to get birthdates for as many members as we can who would like to receive greetings on their birthday. We ask that you email the Care Team with your birth date. Including the year would be optional. "The Care Team would like to celebrate you on your birthday.

Please send your birth date (year is optional) in an email to the Care Team at gnhcareteam@gmail.com if you would like to receive birthday greetings. If you have a birthday list you are willing to share we would surely appreciate it. "Please contact Ruth Kraus at ruth.kraus@yahoo.com if you have any questions.



There is a basket at the back of the sanctuary for anyone who would like to donate cards for the Care Team's use. All donations will be appreciated.

THOUGHTS AND PRAYERS

**Please offer prayers and good thoughts
For all our members' and friends' peace and wisdom
Please contact Adrienne at ghnuu460@gmail.com
If you know of any member or friend with care needs.**

Ways to give to GNH

GNH is grateful for all those who have kept up with their pledges during the pandemic and days of virtual services.

As you know, there are several ways to give of your financial resources to GNH:

- Mail a check to GNH.
- Ask your bank or credit union to mail a monthly check automatically. Many banks do not charge fees for this service. Check with your bank.
- Set up monthly or quarterly automatic payments from your investment accounts. Talk to your financial adviser.

Use our online giving app, Givelify. Set up your personal confidential account at <https://giv.li/phv85g>. Download the Givelify app to your smartphone using the Apple Store or Google Play. Once you have the app, donating to GNH is as easy as Tap. Give. Done.

(Note that Givelify charges GNH a transaction fee of 2.9% on each transaction, so you may want to increase your online donation by a small percentage to compensate.)

NEWSLETTER POLICY (September 2008)

All items that appear in the Harbinger should be of general interest to the members and friends of GNH and be consistent with GNH's mission, purposes, and policies.

Newsletter submission should be as brief as possible, with a 500 word maximum. The editor has the right and responsibility to edit as needed to ensure conciseness and readability. The editor also has the right to delay publishing non-time-critical articles as available space may require.

The newsletter editor may refuse publication if a submission is considered inappropriate.

The editor shall consult with the minister and the Trustee who holds the communication portfolio for guidance in what shall be published.

Members of GNH shall have the choice to receive the Harbinger electronically or via paper mail. The newsletter shall be posted on the website. Do not submit names or contact information without the consent of other persons.

The Harbinger mailing list shall not be used for business purposes or for any type of mailings other than those specifically relating to church events.

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NEXT HARBINGER



**Our Next Harbinger will be
Tuesday, July 7, 2026
Please have all articles to the
emailed by 12:00 pm.
deadline on Tuesday
July 7, 2026.
Before the
Harbinger is published.
Space can be reserved on the
rare occasion and
article needs to be late.**