

### Upcoming Sunday Programs (10:15 to 11:30 am)

All programs are via Zoom. The Zoom link for these programs will be sent to Pilgrim House members. If you do not receive a link, but would like to participate, please contact [pilgrimhouse@pilgrimhouseuua.org](mailto:pilgrimhouse@pilgrimhouseuua.org).

#### January 3 – What happened in the election?

Professor and commentator David Schultz of Hamline and Saint Thomas University returns to Pilgrim House to tell us “What Happened in the 2020 election?”



#### January 10 – Truman

Professor Robert Watson of Lynn University in Boca Raton, FL. tells us that President Truman was a far greater president than he has been given credit for and why. Professor Watson is a speaker of national fame. He is one of those Political Science Professors who rank the presidents every year.

#### January 17 – Faith and Science are not Exclusive of One Another

Professor Kenneth Miller of Brown University, Providence, RI Author of “Finding Darwin’s God”, “Only a Theory and The Human Instinct, How We Evolved To Have Reason”, and “Consciousness, and Free Will” will tell why Religion and Science are not mutually exclusive. He is another speaker of national fame.



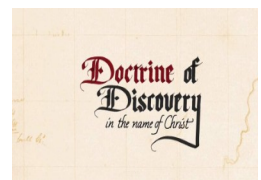
#### January 24 – The Proposed 8th Principle of Unitarian Universalism

*“Journeying toward spiritual wholeness by working to build a diverse multicultural Beloved Community by our actions that accountably dismantle racism and other oppressions in ourselves and our institutions.”*

We will have a discussion of UUA’s proposed 8th principle with Mya Wade-Harper, a Black Biracial young adult woman. She is a member of the Unitarian Universalist Church of Lexington KY.

#### January 31 – Doctrine of Discovery

Professor Velda Love, United Church of Christ and Ph.D. Claremont Graduate University, Claremont, CA. Pope Nicholas V gave European powers the right to take land, discovered and reduced non-Christian people to slavery. It still is being applied today. She is a speaker of national fame.



#### February 2 – Can Truth Save Democracy – Use of Science Courts

Professor Ellad (Brad) Tadmor of the University of Minnesota has developed Science Courts as a way to save Democracy – a thing only truth can do. He is a speaker of national fame.

## CALENDAR

**Monday, January 18, 2:00pm – A covenant group meets via Zoom.** Contact Nancy Olson.

**Tuesday, January 19, 2:00pm – Congregational Care meets via Zoom.** Contact Nancy Olson.

**Sunday, January 24 – Newsletter information is due.** Contact Fred Green.

**Wednesday, January 27, 1:30pm – Novel Exchange Book Club meets via Zoom.** The book is *H is for Hawk* by Helen Macdonald. Contact Sharon Borg.

**Thursday, January 28, 4:00pm – Book Club meets via Zoom.** The book is *Daughters of Yalta* by Catherine Katz. Contact Cynthia LeBlanc.

**Thursday, February 4, 7:00pm – Great Decisions meets via Zoom.** All are welcome. Contact Al Potter.

## THE ELECTORAL COLLEGE

Pilgrim House member Mel Aanerud was a member of the Minnesota Electoral College. The picture shows Mel voting.



If anyone is interested in the Electoral College voting in Minnesota – it can be watched on <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=UwjoJL2yaRA&t=7s>.

## MRS CLAUS VISITS PILGRIM HOUSE

Ms Claus, Elf Judy and Jolly Steve enjoyed greeting Pilgrim House folk for hot cider and yummy cookies from our great cookie bakers! So fun seeing and actually talking with each other (masked and social distancing) and OF COURSE the children and grandchildren were wonderful! A total of 40 family members including children visited PH! Thanks for visiting!



## MUSIC FROM THE HOLIDAY PROGRAM

Music from the Holiday Program via Zoom on December 20:

Carol Gross Hanerot Halalu Three Parts

<https://youtu.be/uvIuPGWnlA4>

Bleak Mid-Winter

<https://youtu.be/AAUv8SgW5L8>

Holiday Program Old Lang Syne

<https://youtu.be/79l4hBuPYh0>

## Pilgrim House

We seek to carry out the principles of the Unitarian Universalist Association of churches and fellowships, with which we are affiliated. These principles affirm the worth of everyone, freedom and the right of conscience in search of truth, encouragement of one another's spiritual growth, and the wonder and mystery of the web of all life. Membership in Pilgrim House is open to everyone who is in sympathy with our purposes and principles and wants to join.

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### Pilgrim's Progress (Pilgrim House Newsletter)

If you have any items for the newsletter, please contact:

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## COOKIE CART

Need some good cookies? Place an order with COOKIE CART. Cookie Cart provides leadership training and job experience to disadvantaged youth. You can order these delicious cookies directly from Cookie Cart for pick-up or a delivery charge or order through Nancy Olson for delivery to your door. Place your order by January 5th and your cookies will be delivered by Nancy on January 7<sup>th</sup>! You can write a check to Nancy when your treats are delivered to your porch.

Check out the choices on [www.cookiecart.org](http://www.cookiecart.org). These are big cookies and freeze well. Consider the individual wrapping of the cookies that's available.

Nancy Olson

## FROM KUT EROL IN TURKEY

Former Pilgrim House board chair and member Kut Erol sends his greetings from Turkey:

I have a faculty position at Izmir University of Economics, in Computer Engineering department, teaching AI [Artificial Intelligence] related classes and conducting research with my graduate students. I am also a founding partner in two startups, one on predictive maintenance of electric motors, another on logistics in share economy

I am enjoying spending whatever time is left with my mother and aunts. I could not make it to MN last Christmas; I hope to do so in the next one. Meanwhile, am waiting for Kaplan's summer visit here.

All the best to you and your friends at PH.