



CAUUC Fall 2019 Conference



Engaging Our Neighbors: Building Relationships to Save Our Democracy



Location	Unity Temple Community Center 1019 South Blvd Oak Park, IL
Date	Saturday, Nov 16
Time	Registration – 9:00 am Event – 9:30am – 3:00pm
Cost	Recommended \$10 minimum donation to cover cost of conducting the event and fund participants that can't otherwise afford to attend

Our fall conference titled "Engaging Our Neighbors: Building Relationships to Save Our Democracy" continues the "saving democracy" theme that started with our 2018 fall conference. Given the election year ahead, most of us are apt to occasionally find ourselves in conversations with neighbors, co-workers, friends, or family where our sense of justice, equity, or compassion is affronted. Some of us might feel compelled to speak up and challenge while others may choose to avoid response for fear of conflict or hurting a relationship. How can we equip ourselves for living in these divisive times? This year, Rev. Scott Aaseng will lead a practical, interactive workshop that will provide participants with tools and opportunities to practice the **Listen-Share-Invite** model for engaging in conversations about things that matter in this world we live. We all can benefit from becoming more welcoming and able to live into UU values. I hope you will attend!

The conference will incorporate 3 elements leading to action and collaboration:

- 1) A **Gathering Service** to celebrate our togetherness and ground our work,
- 2) The **Interactive workshop** on the *Listen-Share-Invite* conversation, and
- 3) Lunch and **Networking session** with Chicago area UUs to build relationships and encourage collaboration because we can get more done as a collective of Chicago area UUs. The following AFFINITY GROUPS will meet up at the conference to share, plan, and collaborate: Social Justice, Board and Leadership Development, Lifespan Religious Education Buildings & Grounds, Membership, Stewardship and Social Media

Visit <https://uuchicagoarea.org/workshop> for additional details and registration. Contact your CAUUC Representative or Mike Gilley (uuchicagoarea@gmail.com) with questions.