Many traditions contain a version of the Golden Rule. Variations already exist: sometimes it is expressed as an affirmation, other times - the wording is more cautionary. How effective is this “rule” as a moral and ethical guide? If we were to update the “rule,” what edits might we suggest?

*Change for Change, Birthday Song, Sung Milestones*

How Will We Do the Spiritual Work of Racial Justice?, Racial Justice Project
At the 2019 UUA General Assembly, 91% of attendees surveyed reported that antiracist, anti-oppressive, and multicultural work was the priority for UU congregations and their communities. ALUUC’s Racial Justice Project has joined in this work. Come hear how all of us can cooperate in this ennobling work to change our world. After service, take ten minutes to hear more about our participation in the UUA’s program, *Beloved Conversations*.

*December 15, 2019*

**Youth Pageant**, ALUUC Youth
Join us as the ALUUC youth will preform the play “From Here to Epiphany”, a Jackie Jackson original.

*Saturday, December 21, 2019*

**Blue Christmas Service at 6 PM**, Rev. Martin Woulfe
A Blue Christmas service is intended to provide solace for those who are experiencing grief or loss during the holiday season. If this will be your first Christmas after losing a loved one to death or estrangement, or if you are in pain while those around you are celebrating, this is a service for you. For more information, please contact Eric Stachera (program.com@aluuc.org) or Rev. Woulfe (minister@aluuc.org) no later than Dec 12.

*December 22, 2019*

**The Magi and Their Gifts**, Rev. Martin Woulfe
In this service, Rev. Woulfe will explore the tradition of the “Wise Men” who followed a star, bringing gifts. Who were those individuals, and what did those gifts symbolize? What gifts might modern day Wise Elders bring to those who are young and vulnerable?

*A Special Presentation about Kwanzaa by Shatriya Smith, Traditional Milestones*

*Tuesday, December 24, 2019*

**Christmas Eve: A Service of Candles & Carols at 6 PM**, Rev. Martin Woulfe
This festive service honors the convergence of several traditions, including Christmas, Hanukkah, Yule and Kwanzaa, and features poetry, readings, holiday songs, special music, and the ritual lighting of candles. Refreshments will follow.

*Special Collection for the Benevolence Fund*

*December 29, 2019*

**The Art of Hope as Created by Syrian Refugees**, Dr. Rihab Sawah
Dr. Sawah recently organized an art exhibition at Lincoln Land Community College that featured original art by Syrian artists who live in Refugee Camps. Their artwork is a testament of hope created by survivors of war and trauma.

*January 5, 2020*

**Greeting The New Year With The Arts**, Penny Wollan-Kriel
This service will be filled with the arts from music to poetry and prose to visual arts. Come and delight in the contributions of our UU congregants.
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* indicates event takes place off-site.  
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