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*Celebrating the sacred, we gather in loving community
to nourish souls and live justice into the world.*

AUGUST WORSHIP SERVICES, 10:30 A.M.

Sunday, August 5 **Here All Are Welcome**
First Sunday Potluck Following Worship!

Rev. Patrick McLaughlin, Worship Leader,
UU Manchester, NH
Amy Fiorilli, Student Sabbatical Minister,
Worship Associate

What does it mean to be friendly? What does it mean to be welcoming? What does it mean to be open-minded? What does it mean to be hospitable? What does it mean to say, "Here, all are welcome"?

Sunday, August 12 **The Care and Keeping of the
Inner Prophet**

Rev. Dr. Linda Barnes, Worship Leader,
Starr King UU Fellowship, Plymouth, NH

We can use beauty and love as a way to hide from the world or we can use them to provide inspiration and courage to be the change we want in the world. Join us as we explore how to keep on track as a people who *Side with Love*.

Sunday, August 19 **Doubt and Contradiction:
Can't Live With 'Em,
Can't Live Without 'Em**

Amy Fiorilli, Student Sabbatical Minister,
Worship Leader

A life of certainty and knowing is perhaps desired, but ultimately impossible. Let us explore the gifts of doubt, and the potential of contradiction as we strive toward lives worth living.

Sunday, August 26 **Wonder and Mystery**
Silent Joys & Sorrows

Rev. Sylvia Stocker, Worship Leader,
UU Church of Brunswick
Amy Fiorilli, Worship Associate

Cultivating a sense of awe is one of the best ways to connect with the holy. Is it enough?

Have an Announcement for the Sunday Service?

**Write it out clearly and briefly and get it to the podium by 10:15 a.m.
Announcements are read at 10:30.**

Ministry Matters

Kathleen Sikkema Memorial Service

There will be a memorial service for Kathleen Sikkema at UUCE on Saturday, August 4, at 11 a.m. Kathleen was our Music Director for many years, and she performed with the Maine folk group "Generations." Rev. Mark Worth will lead the celebration of Kathleen's life. Members of the Caring Committee will

Small Group Ministry at UUCE

Come join us!

Small Group Ministry creates a sacred time where the stories of our lives are heard. ~Thandeka

Small Group Ministry offers an opportunity for spiritual growth, mutual care, and meaningful connections among members and friends of our congregation, using a clear and predictable group structure. We explore various topics and questions, often following the monthly worship theme. Through sharing and reflecting, small groups provide an opportunity to know others and to be known.

We currently have six groups which meet on a monthly basis. The SGM committee is made up of representatives from each group, and it meets monthly as well.

The SGM committee has been discussing and developing a new enrollment process, which will begin soon. Our goal is to be able to find a group for all members and friends who are interested in being a part of Small Group Ministry.

Some details:

- Sign-ups for new members will begin in September. There will be a table at coffee hour where you can indicate your preference for day and location.
- Groups will begin in October and meet through June or August, as determined by the group. This ongoing connection creates a network of care for members of each group.
- Every fall you sign up again--either to join a new group or to continue with the same group.
- Group members practice deep listening. This is a way of focusing intently on what another person is saying without interruption or simultaneously formulating a response. Deep listening also gives members an opportunity to speak without interruption or comment.

For additional information please contact me via email or in church.

I hope you will consider joining us!

Christine Bowman

Small Group Ministry Chair

ccs9762@aol.com

NOTE: Both the *Caring Committee* and the *Collaborative Ministry Team* are looking for new members. Please contact any church officer for more information if you're interested in joining these or other UUCE teams!

Message from Your Student Minister



Hello Everyone,

I don't know about you, but I am shocked by how fast July has gone by. It has been a full and successful month and I can honestly say without reservation that I am more in love with UUCE than ever before. Honestly, do you all know how special you are? To me, the energy among us has felt vital and positive, loving and committed. I am humbled and so honored to be your student minister while Sara is away, and very excited to continue as your ministry intern when she returns.

How are you all feeling? I really want to know. We are past the half way mark of this sabbatical and I would love to hear what seems to be working and what has been difficult. I'm available by appointment throughout the week and do my best to have open office hours on Wednesday afternoons from 12 noon to 3 p.m. Of course, feel free to email me anytime: amyfiorilli@gmail.com. I love seeing how busy our church is between Sundays. So many of you are in and out, catching up, doing the work of the church and finding time to say hello and give a hug as you go. Are you all taking care of yourselves and enjoying this summer as best you can?

I was also reflecting that we often think of summer as a time of joy and fun. It can be; I hope it is. And, I also know that there are hurting, tender hearts out there working to move past grief and feeling acutely the pain of loss. I know there are health struggles and breaking relationships that also characterize this time. I just want you to know, there is room for it all. There is love and welcome for whatever is true for you. Summer does not have to be all beach days, hikes, and adventures. Summer can also be time for tears,

and rest, loneliness, and adjustment to change. Let it be and let it pass.

For me, I always get caught up in a little nostalgia this time of year. I remember the freedom and fun of my twenties and I think of people I never think about at other times of the year. I reconnect with the trees and the smell of moss and the peace of sitting outside at night. I focus on knowing that this too is precious and fleeting. Living these warm days with family and friends, and with you my chosen people, makes me grateful.

With Love,
Amy

Amy R. Fiorilli
Student Sabbatical Minister, UUCE
207-930-0007

In mid-June, Amy completed her Collaborative Internship serving the Belfast, Castine, and Ellsworth congregations. She is now UUCE's Sabbatical Student Minister until October 15, taking on many of the responsibilities that Rev. Sara would normally shoulder.

Should you have a pastoral emergency or need ministerial assistance while Rev. Sara is away, please contact Sabbatical Chair Bill Clark at snbclark@roadrunner.com or Amy at amyfiorilli@gmail.com. Our UUCE Ministers Emeriti Rev. Charles Stephens and Rev. Mark Worth are also available for ministerial support.

Message from the President



Thank you! Merci! Danke! Gracias! Grazie! Spasibo! You are a hardworking and generous congregation! WHAT a yard sale effort! Wasn't Commander Pepper magnificent? A zillion people helped and donated a million things. Nancy fed us and sold raffle tickets. Evelyn did everything everyone else forgot to do, and Sally Gervais was cheerful and on her feet all three days pulling the Community Room into order. Betty Massie, with Amy Thompson and Kathy Hall, worked a miracle on the masses of donated clothing so it was actually navigable! Anne Ossanna brought order to the chaos of toys and children's items. Marc Rich, Skip Berrien, and others schlepped stuff back and forth, making sure it got to the right room. I had an army of helpers sorting and pricing in the Sanctuary. And the clean-up crew was fantastic! Imagine how tired all of us were who had been working all three—or more—days! We were so pumped to see all of you with your trucks and smiles! You all know who you are. Boy, it was the proverbial village bringing it off!

Susan Opdycke did a bang-up job advertising it all over—such a good job that Channel 5 came and interviewed Pepper! Did you see the broadcast? It is on our FB page.

I hope all of you found wonderful treasures. I sure did! The yard sale is the proverbial Christmas in July for me. And our church coffers are almost \$4,500 richer for all of this hard work.

Thank you, too, to all who will be taking shifts at Loaves & Fishes this month. It is important work serving those who need the food.

Similarly, thank you in advance to all who are supporting the blueberry rakers. Do take the time to volunteer for a short stint at the remaining

resource fair and meet the hardworking rakers who have so little. We are fortunate to have a concrete way to help them. You will also see the Maine Mobile Health people offering superior health care to these workers in their own languages! Maine is unique in this effort!

This month we are invited to gather in Augusta with all other UU congregations in Maine to learn what we all are doing to address current issues. Registration is free! Please consider joining the PASA contingent that is going to Augusta.

We are nearly four months into our sabbatical and doing extremely well. A gigantic note of thank-you goes to the Sabbatical Committee, which has set things up so magnificently that we don't HAVE any problems! And an equally gigantic note of thanks to our own Amy Fiorilli, who is knocking herself out to make sure we have pastoral coverage and that things run smoothly on Sundays and in between. This is NOT a little task! Give her a hug and a thank-you when you see her!

The board has held its annual retreat. We are continuing to take steps to move the church more fully into policy-based governance. You will hear more about that this fall, but know that things are running smoothly and committees are more than fulfilling their responsibilities.

Summer is zipping by! Let's all hope for a good blueberry harvest and good weather for it. It is such a huge part of the economy of our counties here.

You are a wonderful, loving, generous, fun, attentive community of UUs! I am proud to be your president!

Robin Lovrien

President of the Board of Trustees

Ferry Beach Retreat

The ocean is calling you for a fall weekend of relaxation, spirituality, creativity, music, worship, s'mores, fire, swimming (if you dare), dancing and Halloween costume party (with professional DJ), workshops, and delicious food with members of the UU Belfast and Castine congregations.

Our October 26-28 retreat may seem to be a long time away, but planning is almost complete. Fifty-two people from UUCE have already put down their deposit. Most of them have attended before and know they don't want to miss out on the fun, relaxation, and inspiration. A number of our new people have also signed up. If you haven't yet registered and have questions, ask Anne Ossanna or Evelyn Foster. If you'd like to reserve your spot, see Anne at coffee hour on any Sunday up till September 9.

A \$25 NON-REFUNDABLE deposit is due at the time of registration. The balance is due by September 30. No refunds on the balance will be made on cancellations after September 30. Limited partial scholarships are available. Please see Anne Ossanna for a confidential request.

There are several housing options available. On-site camping, shared dorm rooms, and a few ADA rooms are available. For those seeking some privacy, a motel will be available that is approximately a seven-minute drive to Ferry Beach. All housing is oceanfront or a very short walk (ADA housing and camping). The fee includes housing for two nights, all programming, and six delicious all-you-can-eat meals.



Jessica Falconer of UU Belfast is a co-coordinator this year and will take over as coordinator next year. Evelyn Foster is passing the mantle of leadership after five years and is confident that Jessica will bring our retreat wonderful spirit and new ideas. The Collaborative Ministry Team—comprising representatives and ministers from Belfast, Castine, and Ellsworth—has now formally agreed to sponsor the retreat. This is the third year that the three churches have all participated.

Information about new events and workshops will be publicized in the September issue of the NUUS. This is truly a multigenerational gathering with programming for all ages. It is one of the many ways that the spirit of UUCE is nourished.



DIVE ON IN!

Social Action



ALL ARE CALLED!

SanctUUary Summit
Saturday, August 18
10-2 p.m. (brown bag lunch)

UU Community Church
of Augusta
69 Winthrop Street

Sponsored by Maine UU State
Advocacy Network's
Racial Justice Issue Group

WE RESPOND! At General Assembly 2018, our UUA President Rev. Susan Frederick-Gray issued a CALL TO ACTION, charging us to consider what is the most urgent issue facing our most marginalized communities right now, and how we UUs can step in to do the work that is most needed.

Revs. Carie Johnsen, Christina Sillari, and Drew Moeller, along with MUUSAN Co-Chairs Julia Fitz-Randolph, and Trudy Ferland, put their heads together on this challenge in Kansas City. They wanted to bring home the GA excitement about the critical refugee and immigrant work being done by UUs around

the country, and very importantly, how to include all our Maine UU congregations in this work, not just those in urban areas.

We challenge and invite ALL Maine UU congregations to consider how they can deepen their participation in efforts to support immigrants and refugees.

To learn more about needs in Maine and the variety of opportunities we may be able to identify to help, regardless of our location, MUUSAN's Racial Justice Group offers a SanctUUary Summit, an educational and planning event to which we invite all Maine congregations to send representatives.

*The Summit is FREE but registration is requested (<https://www.muusan.org/racial-justice.html>).



MoveOn Political Action

MoveOn leaders in Bar Harbor are hosting a Resist & Win Community Ice Cream Social. Join with fellow progressives at YWCA MDI to enjoy some desserts, spend time with friends old and new, build community, and put some plans in place for the crucial days between now and November 6.

WHERE: YWCA MDI (in Bar Harbor)

WHEN: Sunday, August 5, 3 p.m.

Social Action



RESIST BIGLY!



Talk to Your Representatives:

Sen. Susan M. Collins at (202) 224-2523

Augusta office: (207) 622-8414

Sen. Angus S. King Jr. at (202) 224-5344

Rep. Bruce Poliquin at (202) 225-6306

Rep. Chellie Pingree at (202) 225-6116

U.S. Capitol Switchboard:

(202) 224-3121

Maine House (800) 423-2900

Maine Senate (800) 423-6900



Green-ness



Recycling Updates: Ellsworth may soon quit taking plastics #3-7. Watch our bulletin board near the bins for news on what can and cannot be recycled at UUCE. If your local facility has cut back on items accepted for recycling, please do not bring your home recycling to the church: We do not have the space. Any materials used at UUCE and deposited in our bins or in the large cardboard recycling dumpster by Loaves and Fishes must be cleaned of food particles; remove any caps or foil tops and put in the trash.

Our marked bins can be used for:

Numbered Plastics (put those with no numbers into the trash)

Rinsed Deposit Bottles and Cans (or Anne Ossanna can provide stickers for your own CLYNK bags; returns with UUCE CLYNK stickers benefit our youth scholarships)

Rinsed Glass Jars and non-deposit bottles

Clean newspapers, magazines, printer paper, and wrapping paper

Small cardboard that fits in the marked bin **and brown paper bags** - flatten first.

Larger cardboard pieces (place in the Loaves and Fishes dumpster marked "Cardboard Only")



Composting: If anyone is interested in assisting in the recycling or in restarting the composting program, please contact Gary Shellehamer (gleeindc@gmail.com).

Meanwhile, the church grounds always need care. Contact Bill Fogle (williefogle@gmail.com or 667-0034) to volunteer some time or adopt an area to maintain this season.

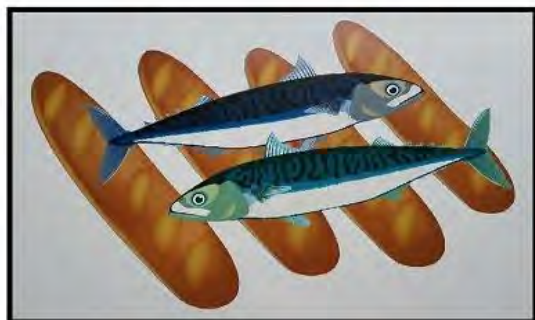
Community Involvement

LOAVES & FISHES NEEDS VOLUNTEERS

August is UUCE's month for staffing the Loaves & Fishes Food Pantry. Thanks go out to those of you who have agreed to serve. If you are interested in helping, there are a few open dates toward the end of the month. The sign-up poster is on the wall in the Community Room.

Questions? Nina Turner (537-2224) is back with us, and she and Sue Clark can answer questions about our UU turn at staffing Loaves & Fishes this month.

Loaves & Fishes Food Pantry



BLUEBERRY RAKERS' FAIRS

UUCE is proudly supporting the effort to help the immigrant blueberry rakers. Now I am asking if you can support the third resource fair with your presence, cooked food, and donations! Two fairs on July 31 and August 2 have already taken place.

The third fair is on Wednesday, August 8, at St. Joseph's Catholic Church on the corner of High and Main Streets. We are looking for helpers between 2 and 9 p.m.—any two-hour shift or even one-hour shift is welcome. Note that the busiest times are during set-up, starting around 2 p.m.; the first two hours of rakers' visits—roughly 4-6 p.m.; and then clean-up from 8 to 9 p.m. (possibly earlier if we run out of goods to give away).

Workers need CANNED foods (beans, tomatoes, vegetables, fruit in water, fish, meat), rice, pasta, peanut butter, fresh vegetables—onions, potatoes, beets, cucumbers—produce from your garden?

And toiletries: all kinds of drugstore items for men and women! Adult clothing suitable for working in the fields and in the blueberry freezers (jackets, hats, gloves, warm socks, warm pants, fleeces), large sizes welcome. And warm bedding—can you imagine how cold Maine nights seem to people from Haiti who usually live in Florida? Please bring your donations to the church or give them to Susan Opdycke, who is storing them for us!

Contact Robin Lovrien to volunteer (598-0468 or robin.uuce@gmail.com). Join others from local churches in this important, meaningful work!



PLATE SPLIT SUNDAY

This month's plate split collection is for Healing the Wounds of Turtle Island—a gathering of elders and visitors from across the world, with the goal of healing the division and trauma within our world. The funds will go to the nonprofit Spiret Foundation for the gathering.



WORLD WIDE DINNER Raffle

The winner of this raffle—drawn October 21, 2018—wins dinner at the restaurant of their choice anywhere in the world!! The prize includes round-trip airfare for two, dinner for two, and hotel accommodations for two nights (total cost not to exceed \$5,000). Raffle tickets are \$20 apiece and only 1,000 were printed. SO, the chance of winning is WAY better than the lottery! Want to buy a ticket? Contact Lisa at (207) 274-0177.

CONTEST

The seller of the most raffle tickets AND the seller of the winning raffle ticket will each get free registration (includes meals, lodging, events) for our 2019 UU retreat at Ferry Beach, a \$200 value!

TICKET SALES UPDATE

UUCE is doing great work!! In our first three weeks, we've distributed about half our tickets to members and received back about 200 sold tickets. Only 800 more to go! Nancy Avila sold 26 tickets at the yard sale!

GET THE WORD OUT: You can post a copy of the poster (right-click on website poster image: www.uuellsworth.org/raffle to save it to your phone or computer) and attach with a short note on your Facebook page. Friends can then let you know if they want to purchase a ticket, and all they have to do is mail you a check made out to UUCE (or use Venmo or Paypal to send you the \$) and you can fill out a raffle ticket for them. Pepper sold 20 tickets this way!

SELL TICKETS AT EVENTS IN THE AREA: Perhaps you are willing sell tickets at the Thursday movies at Knowlton Park or Friday concerts at Ellsworth Harbor Park? Maybe you know of an event in the area and think you can sell tickets there. Whatever it might be, please see Lisa for a poster and ticket packets.



The Aesthetics Committee is now offering Shaw's as well as Hannaford cards for sale. These cards make good gifts for friends, neighbors, and family, as well as being handy for your own grocery shopping! We currently have Shaw's \$100 cards available and Hannaford cards in \$50, \$100, and \$250 denominations. Our church receives 5% back from every card sale—free cash that goes toward UUCE improvement projects. Help us out at no extra cost to you—just the same grocery money you would spend anyway!





Rob Shetterly July 1



Lamoine Beach Picnic July 29



Hordes Descend on Our Giant Yard Sale!



Happy, Hearty Eaters at the Southern Picnic!

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Amy at the Pulpit July 29



Good To Know: Firemen Can Make It to UUCE in Under 3 Minutes When a Dishwasher's on Fire!

Getting Things Done!

Please thank Bob Dickens for his hard work to get us a shiny new dishwasher (after the dramatic demise of our old last month)! This model is very easy to use, and it goes through a cycle at least as quickly as the old one. We no longer have to add detergent, as both that and a rinse solution are connected right into the dishwasher. The container for those is under the first sink, and the bottles are easy to replace when needed, which will probably be no more than a couple of times a year. The racks from the old dishwasher fit in the new one, so we now have four racks—no waiting to get one emptied!

Instructions for use are posted on the wall above the dishwasher. Let Bob or Mary Haynes know if you have any questions.

Worthy of note: The health of our church building is overseen by three very dedicated volunteers. The team of **Gerry Mehl, Bob Dickens, and Mary Haynes** work magic behind the scenes to keep our church functioning properly. As you might imagine, the moment they check one thing off their list, another two scream for their attention! Kudos to this amazing team!

Yard Sale



Bravo Zulu!* to all who joined in our annual yard sale “festivities” —it was a rousing success! Besides more room in our closets, drawers, garages and spare bedrooms, we supported our local community AND earned over \$4400 for UUCE! Congratulations!

*The combination of the Bravo and Zulu nautical signal flags, e.g., **Bravo Zulu**, also referred to as “BZ,” is a naval signal, typically conveyed by flaghoist or voice radio, meaning “Well Done” with regard to actions, operations, or performance.

Beth Pepper

Yard Sale Coordinator

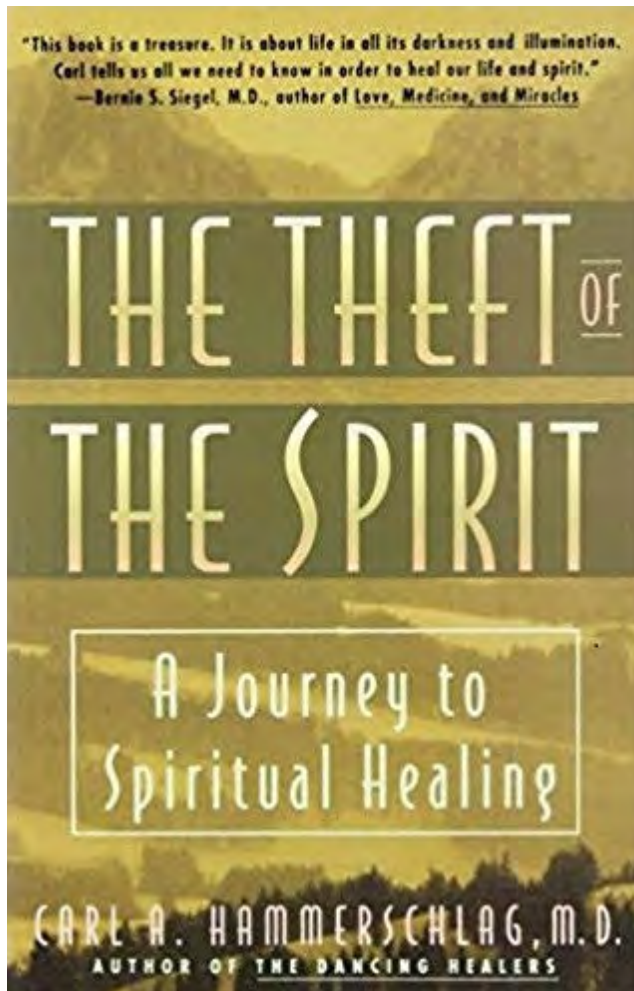
...Now Bring On the Eggrolls!

It's time to start signing up to help at the UUCE eggroll booth at this year's Common Ground Fair. The dates are Friday, September 21, through Sunday, September 23. We have both 4- and 6-hour shifts available on all three days—get your name in early to get your preferred shift(s). Jobs include veggie prep/kitchen work, chopping veggies, rolling eggrolls, frying, boating, managing the condiments, and cashier/serving. This event is great fun and is our biggest annual fundraiser. You will get a free pass to the fair for each day you work, and you will also have time to visit the fair. We provide you with training on your position; and we serve you great breakfasts and lunches right in the booth, or you can purchase food at any of the many booths at the fair. Some lodging is available for those working back-to-back days.

Please contact Susan Opdycke at 412-0699 for more information about the fair and our eggroll booth, and contact Mary Haynes (mhaynes@roadrunner.com) to volunteer.

Discussion Groups

ADULT RE (Mondays)



The August selection for the Adult RE Book Discussion Group is *The Theft of the Spirit: A Journey to Spiritual Healing* by Carl Hammerschlag, MD.

This book is about how Dr. Hammerschlag learned from Native Americans how to make use of our spirit, or the energy source within ourselves, for healing emotionally and physically. It is filled with remarkable stories about spiritual connections and shows us how to journey past fear to a new strength of spirit and self.

The Adult RE Book Discussion Group's focus is books on religious and spiritual topics. The group meets weekly on Mondays from 6 to 7:30 p.m., except for major holidays. Books are read over the period of a month. Readers are welcome to join in reading all the books selected, or just a few. Books are not provided but are available new and used online and perhaps may be found in local libraries. Join us for all of the books or just a few.

See Bob Dickens or Mary Haynes for the August reading schedule or for general information about the Book Discussion Group.

SPIRITUAL DISCUSSION GROUP

Watch this space! This group is on hold at the moment, but be thinking about whether you'd be interested when it does start up. It will be facilitated by Amy Fiorilli and will run twice a month, for about six meetings, in the evenings at UUCE.

The plan is for group members to choose two questions to address each session. These questions would focus on areas of curiosity, struggle, or wonder in the realm of theology, personal belief, philosophy, and/or personal growth. Our goal will be to listen deeply to each other and to share our own thoughts and experiences in a way that is open and honest.

There is no end to the questions we might explore together. I look forward to sharing with you all and getting to know you all better.



Food for Thought

New Class!

The Adult RE Committee is offering a class titled, "The Bible As They Never Taught It in Sunday School," which will be led by Rev. Mark Worth (Minister Emeritus). The class will run for five sessions starting on Sunday, September 16 and ending on Sunday, October 14. All sessions will be held following church services from 12 noon to 1:30 p.m.

This class will take a quick look at the Hebrew Bible, what Christians commonly call "the Old Testament." Mainline Protestant and Roman Catholic seminaries teach a lot of information that pastors and priests are generally afraid to share with their congregations because it would cause consternation and conflict and raise doubts. Unitarian Universalist ministers generally don't share such information with the congregations because they believe UUs aren't very interested in the Bible. Here's a class for those, whether UU or not, who *are* interested.

Some of the topics to be covered: Is the Bible truly monotheistic? Who wrote the Bible? What do we mean by "myth"? Why are there two different creation stories? Why are there two versions of Noah's Flood? What is the story of Sodom really about? Women: property or prophets? Why did Israel break apart? The prophets and the Wisdom books. Biblical books without God—and more.

Please sign up for the class through Eileen in the office, or contact Bob Dickens or Mary Haynes. Feel free to invite friends who are not UUs—the class is open to anyone who is interested.

Please let Amy Fiorilli know if you are interested in joining a class on general theology that she is putting together. This will be offered in two sessions. The days and times for this class are yet to be decided, so you can have a say in the scheduling.

Activist Chris Hedges Presentation in Blue Hill



On the eve of the release of his newest book, *America: The Farewell Tour*, Chris Hedges will speak at the Bagaduce Music Lending Library in Blue Hill at 7 p.m. on Saturday, August 11. The Library auditorium is at 49 South Street, Blue Hill.

The *Americans Who Tell the Truth* project is bringing Mr. Hedges to Blue Hill. Robert Shetterly, who painted Hedges' portrait in 2009, will interview him about his new book and his past writing.

Chris Hedges is an outspoken critic of corporate, media, and military power and how they have diminished both the reality and possibility of democracy. In his writing, he has tried to alert Americans to the urgency of the damage being done to our political and environmental future by the elites.

Chris Hedges' appearance is co-sponsored by Blue Hill Books (books will be available for signing), with WERU, Peninsula Peace and Justice, Veterans for Peace, Peninsula Indivisible, and more.

The event is free and open to the public. Donations to *Americans Who Tell the Truth* will be accepted.

Andrew McKnight Comes to UUCE!



Musician Andrew McKnight will perform at UUCE on Saturday, August 11, from 7 to 9:30 p.m.

Award-winning folk/Americana artist McKnight's musical journey has traced nearly a million miles of blue highways and earned him a wealth of critical acclaim and enthusiastic fans for his captivating performances. McKnight's powerful show is like one-man theatre, delivered with warmth and down-home comfort. His finely crafted songs are woven together with humorous stories and poetic drama, while the musical soundscape traverses Appalachia, slide and jazzy blues, feisty anthems, rustic folk. You may also hear a Native American cedar flute and an African djembe hand drum.

Since 2014 McKnight has been the featured guest musician for **Friends and Family Week** at the Ferry Beach Conference Center in Saco, Maine, where he leads a pickup choir in a short interfaith service each morning and teaches workshops for kids and adults.

There will be time to mingle and purchase CDs following the performance. Refreshments will be available. A \$10-\$20 donation is expected.

The Collaborative Ministry Team (Belfast, Castine, and Ellsworth) is sponsoring this event. For more information, contact Rev. Margaret at mabme@aol.com or Robin at robin.uuce@gmail.com.

Masanobu Ikemiya Does, Too!

On Sunday, August 19, from 3 to 4:30 p.m., UUCE welcomes back Masanobu Ikemiya, a concert pianist who is playing a benefit for The Helen and Scott Nearing Good Life Center.

Classical pianist, ragtime aficionado, peace activist, organic farmer Ikemiya has received critical acclaim for "inspiring audiences with his joyous and expressive tone" (Friends of Music, Japan). An enthusiastic advocate for ragtime music, Ikemiya weaves European classical music and American ragtime together in wildly popular programs that bring diverse international audiences to their feet.



During his 24 years as Artistic Director of the Arcady Music Festival (which he founded in 1980), Ikemiya had the opportunity to bring artists of incredible diversity and talent from around the world to the scenic coastal towns of Northern Maine.

He and his wife live on Mount Desert Island in a passive solar house where they enjoy organic farming on their permaculture homestead, volunteer work, and music. Read more about their self-sustaining lifestyle at: www.profilesmaine.com.

Suggested donation: \$20.

Religious Education

Summer Greetings! While attendance was light in July, the children who did attend enjoyed their activities after Time for All Ages with Amy Fiorilli, Jenni Morgan-Binns, Liz True, Michael Arruda, and Cecily Judd. I have enjoyed being in the Sanctuary for worship this month and am very thankful our congregation understands the value of and supports respite for your RE Coordinator.

Preparations are under way for our offerings beginning in September. Two classrooms are set up with comfortable chairs and supplies readily accessible for the children and their guides. The nursery is nurturing with toys made from nature. Our two closets are organized and storing props for our All Ages worship services. Our children are so respectful of their space and have done an excellent job in picking up after themselves. Please do the same. While we appreciate donations of supplies, please do not just leave them in my office. If you are using the classrooms, nursery, or my office space, PLEASE leave the space as you found it. Merci!

Woyaya,

Anne

Religious Education Calendar



- August 5** *Understanding Our Solar Panels* with Cecily Judd, Liz True, and guests Rev. Charles Stephens and Martha Dickinson; Nursery with Marta Rieman; Potluck Sunday; Ferry Beach fall retreat registration
- August 12** Activity with Jenn Ryan; Ferry Beach registration
- August 19** Field Trip to Black House - Volunteers needed
- August 26** Field Trip to Birdsacre - Volunteers needed



If you have a car and are willing and able to volunteer rides for others who are in need of transportation, please sign the clipboard next time you're in the Community Room. Cecily Judd is compiling a list, by region, of people who might be available to drive others on occasion.

Sankofa Corner



More Bios of Ellsworth Unitarian Church Members Taken from Albert Davis's *History of Ellsworth, Maine, 1927*

William H. Titus

William H. Titus, born at Babylon, New York, December 26, 1867. Mr. Titus came to Ellsworth in 1894 to fill the position of associate editor of the *Ellsworth American*. In 1902, he returned to New York State where he remained until 1905. He came back to Ellsworth in 1905 to fill his former position on the *American*, which he purchased after the death of Mr. Rollins.



William H. Titus

Estelle M. King

Estelle M. King, born here February 16, 1863. Mrs. King opened a dry and fancy goods store in 1920.

Grace M. Royal

Grace M. Royal, born here January 9, 1880. In 1920, Mrs. Royal engaged in the dry and fancy goods business, later purchasing the building.

Martin L. Adams

Martin L. Adams, born here June 19, 1883. He graduated from E. H. S. in 1901. Mr. Adams was away from Ellsworth for 12 years, traveling for Boston and New York Dry Goods Houses. Returning in 1913, he soon engaged in the Dry Goods business. He served three years as tax collector.

Dr. George S. Hagerthy

Dr. George S. Hagerthy, born at Surry, August 2, 1870. He came to Ellsworth in 1886. Graduated from Philadelphia Dental College in 1895. Returning to Ellsworth, he commenced practice in the Granite Block, where he continued until 1919. In 1919, he moved his office to the Moore Block.

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Elmer E. Rowe

Elmer E. Rowe was born at Dover, December 21, 1850. Mr. Rowe was engaged in the carriage business at Dover for ten years. He came to Ellsworth in 1873 and entered the employ of the late H. E. Davis. He went into the carriage business for himself in South Street in 1890, later moving to his present location in School Street. In 1916, he accepted the agency of the Chevrolet car and continues in that business.

Hollis B. Estey

Hollis B. Estey was born at Trescott, Maine, April 25, 1872. Mr. Estey came to Ellsworth in 1895 and entered the employ of C. L. Morang. The following year he went into the laundry business in the building now used as an office by Morang, Robinson, & Company, moving to his present location in 1913. He has served on the Board of Registration several years, and two terms as alderman.



Hollis B. Estey

Louis F. Higgins

Louis F. Higgins was born at Ellsworth, November 26, 1866. Mr. Higgins' first employment was at the Isaac Grant shipyards where he worked for eight years. He then engaged as a ship carpenter for seven years. After an absence from Ellsworth of five years, he returned in 1908 and entered the post office as assistant postmaster. He was appointed postmaster by President Coolidge, July 1, 1924.

Harriet K. Giles

Harriet K. Giles was born at Waltham, October 21, 1867. Mrs. Giles came to Ellsworth in 1890. Mrs. Giles is a graduate nurse, a past president of the Woman's Club and has been an active member of the Festival Chorus since its organization thirty years ago. In 1915, Mrs. Giles opened the Kopper Kettle Tea Rooms and Gift Shop, which she now continues.

Wayne Smith

UUCE Historian





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Adult RE Book Discussion	Mondays 6-7:30 p.m.	UUCE
Surviving Your Brain	Fridays 4-6 p.m.	UUCE Tidewater Room
Kathleen Sikkema Memorial	Sat, Aug 4 11 a.m.	UUCE
MoveOn Ice Cream Social	Sun, Aug 5 3 p.m.	MDI YWCA
Rakers' Resource Fair	Wed, Aug 8 2-9 p.m.	St. Joseph's Church
Andrew McKnight Concert	Sat, Aug 11 7-9:30 p.m.	UUCE
Chris Hedges Talk	Sat, Aug 11 7 p.m.	Blue Hill
SanctUUary Summit	Sat, Aug 18 10-2 p.m.	UU Augusta
Masanobu Ikemiya Concert	Sun, Aug 19 3-4:30 p.m.	UUCE
Common Ground Fair	Fri-Sun, Sept 21-23	Unity
Ferry Beach Retreat	Fri-Sun, Oct 26-28	Ferry Beach, Saco

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The inherent worth and dignity of every human being;
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Acceptance of one another and encouragement to spiritual growth in our congregations;
A free and responsible search for truth and meaning;
The right of conscience and the use of the democratic process
within our congregation and in society at large;
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Respect for the interdependent web of all existence of which we are a part.