



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

FEBRUARY WORSHIP SERVICES, 10:30 a.m.

This month's worship theme is **RESILIENCE**.

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 2 **Defiant as the Snowdrop**

First Sunday Potluck!

Rev. Sara Hayman, Worship Leader

Charles Betancourt, Worship Associate

Today is Imbolc, also called Brigid's Day, a Gaelic traditional festival marking the beginning of spring. For Celtic pagans, Brigid is a goddess or saint, and keeper of midwives and fire and purity. In this service, we'll tell the ancient story of Brigid and reflect on some of the wisdom it shares.

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 9 **Growth Despite the Fire – Resilience Is a Silent Revolution**

Vanessa Williams, Worship Leader

This service will explore a view of resiliency from multiple angles, from even the perspective of the tiniest of seeds. How does giving recognition to the many sources from which one may take their strength to face the most impossible of circumstances enhance our lives? How might resilience give us the hope to nourish growth anew despite our challenges? Vanessa Williams is a member of our Worship Arts Team and a first year seminarian at Meadville Lombard Theological School. We are excited to support and be a part of her formation and journey into UU ministry.

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 16 **Truth Telling about the Past**

Rev. Sara Hayman, Worship Leader

What responsibility do we, as people of faith and conscience, have to wrestle with hard truths about our country's history as part of working to create more justice? This service and sermon will explore this question as we reflect on the ways that liberating our history from lies helps us create the possibility of healing, just as experiencing more integrity allows for a more resilient future.

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 23 **You Start with a Hill...**

MidMaine YoUUth Meeting

3:30pm at Belfast UU!

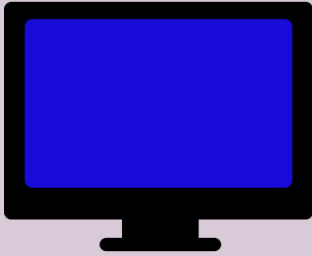
Rev. Sara Hayman

& Ariel Aaronson-Eves, Worship Leaders

Penel Houghton, Worship Associate

Building beloved community and consciously choosing to be a part of such communities are critical ways we can strengthen resilience in our lives and the world. Given the current realities of our climate crisis and the phenomenon of loneliness and isolation in so many people's lives, how do we do this? How do we build community with joy and imagination, community that brings people together in life-sustaining and soul-nourishing ways?

OUR PLATE SPLIT for February is with the Beth C. Wright Cancer Resource Center. This organization is committed to providing respectful, hands-on, and timely support for citizens of Hancock and Washington Counties, offering hope, knowledge, and support for everyone affected by the disease.



TECH TEAM VOLUNTEERS NEEDED. We are short of volunteers to help out with sound system operation as well as PowerPoint preparation and projection for weekly Sunday services. The core group has dwindled recently and these positions are critical to our weekly services. Operating the sound system is not at all technical: training can happen in 15-20 minutes. PowerPoint prep and projection takes a bit more skill and knowledge, so if you are computer- and PowerPoint-savvy and want to join the tech team, we would love to have you! For more information or to express your interest in either of these positions, please see Lori Johnson or email her at Bogey41999@gmail.com or call her at (614) 404-6886.

IMPORTANT SAFETY NOTICE: The Ellsworth Police Department has informed us that it is illegal to park on the shoulders of Route 1 outside UUCE. We understand our small parking lot is often overwhelmed, and a team is forming to study how best to expand our spaces. Until then, we will have to encourage carpooling, possibly using the City Hall lot as a meeting place, and use of the offered Seventh Day Adventist Church lot about 500 steps down the hill from UUCE for those who are up to a short hike. Many thanks for your patience!



HOSPITALITY MINISTRY

Our FEBRUARY HOSPITALITY TEAM is braced for whatever weather challenges come their way! Led by **Tobias and Chuck Betancourt**, and supported by teammates **Liz True, Vanessa Williams, Betty Massie, Barb Acosta, and Jana Robinson**, this team will LEAP into service this YEAR! And of course, we always appreciate the tireless service of **Susan Opdycke**, coffee and tea hostess extraordinaire!

Jeff is working on teams for March, and is especially in **NEED OF A COORDINATOR FOR MARCH!** If you haven't served for a while, or if you are new to UUCE, please send Jeff an email office@uellsworth.org or call 667-4393 with your choice of months to serve. Many hands make light work!

MESSAGE FROM OUR MINISTER

“Where is joy taking root in your life in this moment?” she asked.

And a poem poured out of me onto the blank page:

There is joy in the pot of soup on the stove,
in the early morning walk in silence
alongside Silver Lake.
Joy in the candle light shining
in the yard sale chalice
on the table
in the center of our circle.
There is joy in the warming
and softening of my own heart,
a heart still arriving,
and singing,
and touching joy.



My three-week winter break of study leave and vacation was soul nurturing and full of joy. I traveled with family, and walked and snow-shoed and skied outside before the rain came. I found and read books that inspire me: *Becoming* by Michelle Obama; *The Water Dancer* and *We Were Eight Years in Power* by Ta-Nehisi Coates; and *The Underland* by Robert McFarlane. I made delicious meals from scratch and shared them with friends. I shaped my days with activities that made me more readily in touch with the felt-sense experience of spaciousness and joy.

Returning to my work and this community I love, I name my gratitude for you.

Yours, in deepening faith,
Rev. Sara



Dead River Trail at Great Pond Mountain



BOUNTY FOR BABIES JUSTICE PROJECT

Thanks to your generosity, we have been able to give Loaves and Fishes food pantry a fantastic start on our goal of having all families with infants who are served by the pantry get the baby

food and supplies they need. To quote Andy Matthews, the President of the Board of Trustees of Loaves and Fishes, the baby items we supply “have been going like hotcakes!”.

The word is definitely getting out that Loaves and Fishes is now able to provide families with baby food and supplies, and the number of requests is growing weekly. Unlike the other food pantries in the area that serve only people from their town, Loaves and Fishes serves families from anywhere in Hancock County. Every one of the parents and grandparents of infants were brought to tears last month when they found out that they would be able to receive the necessary formula, diapers and other baby supplies at the pantry. Knowing how important and successful our church-wide social justice project is already, after only one month of operation, brings tremendous joy to my heart, as I know is true for each of you as well.

The items that we have donated provided much-needed baby supplies and food to 27 Hancock County babies ranging in age from Newborn to 18 months in January.

The pantry has recently let us know that there have been many requests for toddler-size pull-ups, which we have not been supplying so far, and they are

running low on larger-size diapers and baby wipes. We will be concentrating on collecting those items throughout February, so any help you can offer would be most welcome.

Your donations can be providing the items that are identified, or volunteers will do the shopping if you donate Hannaford cards or cash to the project. Your donation may also take the form of your gift of your time and talent to the project. We will also gratefully accept donations of baby items that are not specifically listed for this month.

However you choose to give to Bounty for Babies, please know that you are helping the youngest children of our communities to be healthy and well-fed, and you are helping parents and grandparents ease their fears of not being able to feed their infants adequately. Your donations are immediately put to use right here in our community, and they make a tremendous difference in the lives of families served by Loaves and Fishes.

Thank you so much for continuing to hold this UUCE justice project in your heart! Our needed items for February are:

- **Toddler pull-ups, Size 2T – 3T**
- **Toddler pull-ups Size 3T – 4T**
- **Toddler pull-ups Size 4T – 5T**
- **Toddler food and healthy snacks**
- **Diapers Sizes 4, 5 and 6**
- **Baby wipes**

Please see Mary Haynes, Anne Ossanna, Margaret Thurston, Nancy Avila, Robin Lovrien, Doug Bird or Beth Pepper if you have any questions or would like to help with the project.

2020 UUCE GOODS & SERVICES AUCTION!



5 p.m. on Saturday, February 22

Admission and Superb Snacks are Free!

We are organizing for set-up and clean-up, soliciting businesses, publicity, serving food and drink, accounting, cashiering, and various other jobs.

Forms are on the UUCE hallway wall to describe items that you might be inspired to offer up for friends and neighbors to bid on. In the past, members have donated all manner of things: **antique furniture, sporting gear, canoes, gift certificates, homemade dinners, parties, hikes, ATV outings, picnics, massages, gardening services, chainsaw labor, snow tires, tutoring, music lessons, jewelry, fine crafts, photography, and art!** If you have an idea, but aren't sure about it, just ask Margaret. A catalog will be created listing all the items available for bid.

Our biggest item will again be a **photo safari for two to South Africa**, sponsored by Zulu Nyala, a well-run charitable organization that operates a private reserve and promotes education about and conservation of South Africa's stupendous wildlife.

This event will include live and silent bidding and is open to the public. Proceeds will benefit UUCE and our work, as well as Loaves & Fishes and several local charities.



UUCE GOODS & SERVICES AUCTION!



5 p.m. on Saturday, February 22
Unitarian Universalist Church of Ellsworth
121 Bucksport Road

Live & Silent Bidding
on art, crafts, furnishings, dinners,
all manner of goods, services, and events.
Win a photo safari for two to South Africa!

Free admission!
Free walk-around dining!

Proceeds will benefit UUCE, Loaves & Fishes Food Pantry,
and other local charities.

2020 UUCE BENEFIT AUCTION

Saturday, February 22, 2020, 5:00 pm

-- DONATION FORM --

Description of Your Item, Service, or Event: *(please use one form per item)*

Date/Timeframe if an Event: _____ Minimum Bid: _____

Your Name: _____ Phone or Email: _____

If offering a service, indicate how many hours of work. If an event, for how many guests?
Specify a date, if possible. Contact [Margaret Thurston](#) (271-7974) to arrange for
pick-up and/or storage if you have an item that you need to get out of your house.

****LEAVE THIS SLIP IN THE BAG ON THE HALLWAY BULLETIN BOARD
OR GIVE IT TO MARGARETT. THANK YOU!**

DO YOU HAVE A DONATION FOR THIS YEAR'S AUCTION?

Write down the specific information requested and place slip in the bag on the UUCE hallway bulletin board. THANK YOU!

BIRTHDAY BAGS

We have also kicked off a companion justice project called "Birthday Bags" to supply the pantry with the provisions families need to make a birthday cake for a child. Too often families who are served by the pantry cannot stretch their food dollars to cover cake mix or icing, and pantries don't usually carry these. We don't want any children served by the pantry to go without a celebration on their birthday! We're seeking regular donations of the items that will go into the bags, like cake mix, frosting, sprinkles, birthday candles, writing gel, party hats, small toys (little cans of Play-Doh, Silly Putty, bubbles, etc.), and birthday cards that families can sign.

Please see Mary Haynes, Anne Ossanna, Margaret Thurston, Nancy Avila, Robin Lovrien, Doug Bird, or Beth Pepper if you have any questions or would like to help with the project.



**** PLEASE BE VIGILANT FOR EMAIL AND PHONE SCAMS ****

UUCE has been targeted twice now. If you receive an unusual message that appears to be from Rev. Sara or a church member requesting money, carefully check the actual address that it came from to see if it matches that person's real email address. If it doesn't, do **NOT** respond! Be suspicious especially of requests that you purchase gift cards or "coins" for somebody and forward them the serial numbers. **THIS IS A SCAM.** If you receive such a message, please tell the person whose name was used so they can warn others in their contacts lists, and let the office know, too.

Know that the UUCE minister, church staff, or church leaders will **NEVER** ever send you any request for donations in this manner, nor would any reputable entity. Also be aware that the IRS or police or other government organizations do not call people by phone and threaten over payment of tax bills, fines, or bail money.

Never, ever give out your personal information or pin codes or credit card numbers over the phone unless you yourself have initiated the call using a known number or one you have verified from a reliable source. Scammers are getting trickier daily!

Stay safe! Read more at: <https://www.Uuworld.Org/articles/church-gift-card-scam>

AESTHETICS COMMITTEE

Our UUCE Aesthetics Committee offers Hannaford and Shaw's gift cards for sale on Sundays. Get some for your own grocery shopping and for friends, neighbors, and family! We stock \$50, \$100, and \$250 Hannaford cards and \$100 Shaw's cards. When we buy these in large quantities, we earn 5% back from every card sale, and as soon as we have accumulated enough funds beyond what's needed to maintain our stock, the profits go right into UUCE improvement projects. Steered by our hardworking chair, Linda Laing, we have contributed new carpet, chairs, lamps, tables, curtains, name tag racks, and bulletin boards, to name a few!



*LOOK FOR OUR TABLE IN THE
COMMUNITY ROOM ALCOVE
AFTER SUNDAY SERVICES!*

MESSAGE FROM OUR PRESIDENT

First, let me remind you to whet your appetites for fine food, interesting conversation with good companions as a guest for dinner, a barbeque, or tea; clean off your camera lenses for photos of lions and elephants in their natural habitat; visit stores with gift certificates you have won; or maybe have your taxes done or desserts delivered throughout the year; and don't forget to make room for the treasures you will find at this year's UUCE Goods and Services Auction, February 22. The silent auction starts at 5:30 p.m. (with delicious savory and sweet finger foods), followed by the live auction. You can also donate goods and services to the auction, contact Margaret Thurston for more information.

And now, for something completely different, I want to thank those who participated in our January 5th *Congregational Conversation: Becoming Our Best*. This second *Becoming Our Best* conversation is our ongoing discussion to determine our church's core values, address how these values affect our mission, and create end statements--actions to live our UU faith individually, within our beloved community, and into the world.

We have seven principles and a variety of sources as our standards and guides. We live our principles using sources as diverse as science, poetry, scripture, and personal experience. At the first conversation, the workshop, you had discussions in small groups about your spiritual experiences at UUCE. These led to your group's consensus on what core values we hold, and you began to put these values into your own words, to ultimately create congregationally-derived statements of our values and living them into the world. You also worked as a group, envisioning UUCE five years down the road and presented your vision to the group of over 70 people who participated.

The day after the November 15th workshop, your board spent the day with the facilitator of the workshop, Laura Park of Unity Consulting, Rev. Sara, and our advisor Mary Haynes. We used your conversations, your notes and your visions, drafting values and articulating ways we can live those values, which make up our mission.

The second conversation presented our drafts and developed more discussion, as you reacted to the drafts. Again, your board was listening to your thoughts. Susan Opdycke took notes and we will revisit the drafts we prepared to better reflect your refinement of our values.

This is an exciting step that ties our values into our governance. Under policy-based governance, our committees are empowered to act on their areas of interest (and within their

budgets). The guidelines for their actions are the approved policies they have written, addressing their focus area and serving our mission statement, which is based on our values and creates end statements. The workshop overlapped these two areas--not only looking at spiritual values, but in a number of comments, highlighting our need to act on our use of space inside our building and for parking. Taking action on this, your board has created a UUCE Expansion Task Force, headed by Gerry Mehl, to address these two issues. Check the monthly NUUS, the weekly email newsletters, and announcements for task force information and how to submit your comments and suggestions for their work.

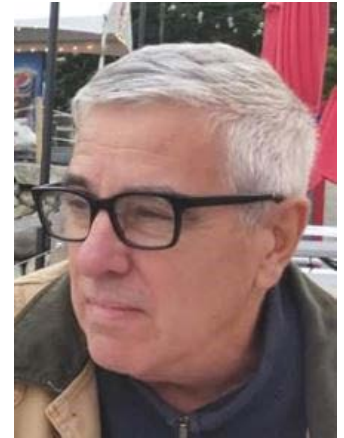
And so, the workshop and second conversation unite with our move into policy-based governance: the focus of our committees and the spiritual values of the church combine to work together as we serve our mission:

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

The conversation on *Becoming Our Best* is continuing. Information is being sent to members who winter away, asking for their input. Your board, Rev. Sara, Mary Haynes and our consultant will take your continued input and refine Core Values and End Statements to envision the development and growth of UUCE over the next five years. Please feel free to contact a board member if you have additional thoughts.

Thank you for your participation and thoughtful input.

Your Board President,
Gary Shellehamer
president@uellsworth.org



PLANT SCIENCE SCHOLARSHIP

The Nell Groff Memorial Scholarship is an opportunity for college students studying plant science to receive funds toward their studies. Please contact the Ellsworth Garden Club's president Monica Moeller for information at ellsworthgardenclub@gmail.com.

NEW TO UU CLASS

Offered at UUCE in March

Four Sunday Sessions, March 1, 8, 15 & 22 from 12:30 - 2:30 p.m.

Facilitated by Rev. Sara Hayman & Other Guests Facilitators

Registration requested: Email or call the UUCE Office at office@uellsworth.org or (207) 667-4393

Are you interested in learning more about Unitarian Universalism? Are you curious about UU history and theology? Do you wonder where your spiritual journey or personal theology fit into the framework of our liberal religious faith tradition? Would you like to know more about membership and how our congregation works? If you answered yes to any (or all!) of these questions, please consider participating in this class. See Rev. Sara for more information.



MARK YOUR CALENDARS NOW!



UU ASSOCIATION **2020 GENERAL ASSEMBLY**

Early bird registration is now open for the UU Association's 2020 General Assembly to be held in Providence on June 24-28. You can save \$100 by putting down a \$50 deposit and paying the balance by February 29 (Leap Day!). This year's GA coincides with the 400th anniversary of the Mayflower's arrival.

Come to an informational meeting on **February 23 at noon** in the RE Wing for anyone interested in learning more about the UUA General Assembly. Many of us at UUCE attended GA when Providence last hosted the event in 2014 and can pass along our experience and discuss how to get to GA.

ONLINE LINK TO FEBRUARY
SOUL MATTERS PACKET
RESILIENCE





UU
WINTER

Rest & Renewal

RETREAT

13 - 15 MARCH 2020

at Schoodic Institute
Winter Harbor, ME

Do you long for space and support to reflect on your life? Would you like to renew your spirit this season in a beautiful, peaceful setting with fellow UUs?

All are welcome to this Rest and Renewal Retreat where we will make space to worship, write, create art and experience nourishing silence together. Bring a good book, your instruments, journals, favorite art supplies and clothes warm enough for outside walks or snowshoeing.

\$240 per person for private room w/ shared bath & 5 meals
\$200 per person for shared room w/ shared bath & 5 meals

Registration is required with a strict deadline of Thursday, February 27, 2020.
Register through UUCE at office@uellsworth.org or 207-667-4393.



UU 2020 WINTER REST & RENEWAL RETREAT

at Schoodic Institute, Winter Harbor, ME

Friday, March 13, 1 p.m. – Sunday, March 15, 9 a.m.

(Retreat ends after breakfast with time enough to make it to worship at UUCE for 10:30am)

\$240 per person for private room w/shared bath & 5 meals

\$200 per person for shared room w/shared bath & 5 meals

Do you long for space and support to reflect on your life? Would you like to renew your spirit in this season in a beautiful, peaceful setting with fellow UU seekers? Rev. Sara and Evelyn Foster have dreamed of offering a UU Winter Rest & Renewal Retreat for several years and this year they're excited to be able to make it happen!

All are welcome to join us for this rest and renewal retreat at the Schoodic Institute. Over the course of two days, we will make space to worship, write, do art and experience nourishing silence together. Bring a good book, your instruments, journals, favorite art supplies and clothes warm enough to go outside for walks or snow-shoeing if the weather permits.

Registration through UUCE Office Administrator, Jeff Jeude is required at office@uuellsworth.org or 207-667-4393. Strict **Registration Deadline is Thursday, February 27th, 2020**. We will need a minimum of 10 people to register for this retreat to happen.

We realize the expense of this retreat may be beyond the financial means of some who would otherwise have wanted to participate. Please make Rev. Sara and/or Evelyn aware of this so we can respond and work to build more of a capacity for financial assistance in the future as we work to be as inclusive as possible.

Also, this retreat is for adults and mature teens (who attend with parents or designated guardians) and does not include programming for children this year. Again, please be in touch with Rev. Sara and/or Evelyn Foster if this impacted your interest or capacity to participate.

With love and gratitude for the searching and soul-nourishing community we seek to create together,

Rev. Sara Hayman & Evelyn Foster

WINTER GREETINGS FROM THE RE WING!

We spent January exploring Integrity through song, story, meditation, and movement. Thank you, Linda and Eric Uberseder, for helping guide our children. February is going to be a very full month as we explore Resilience, hold OWL parent information meetings, and have our annual sledding party and game Sunday. I will be with my Mid-Maine DRE [Directors of Religious Education] colleagues February 15-17 for our second annual planning retreat. Penel, Robert, and James are coordinating the sledding party and will need parents to drive. Right after Time For All Ages, the party will head over to the Black House for sledding; they'll be back to UUCE by 12:15 p.m. I am also looking for parent volunteers to help with our annual game day on February 23.

FEBRUARY RE CALENDAR

FEBRUARY 2 Children's Chapel with Anne (a collection will be taken to add to our plate, and children will return to the Sanctuary for the final hymn); Potluck Sunday; OWL K-1 parent information meeting 12:30-2:00 p.m.

FEBRUARY 9 Exploring Resilience with Anne after Time For All Ages; OWL 7th-9th grade parent information meeting 12:30-2:00 p.m.

FEBRUARY 15-17 Mid-Maine DRE Cluster Planning Retreat

FEBRUARY 16 Sledding party after Time For All Ages with Penel, Robert, and James; Deadline to register for OWL K-1

FEBRUARY 23 Game Day after Time For All Ages with Anne and parent volunteers; Deadline to register for OWL 7th-9th; Registration for Ferry Beach begins.



PRE-TEEN UU OVERNIGHT RETREAT

Join us as we celebrate the Spring Equinox with food, fun, and wonderment!

WHEN: Saturday-Sunday, March 21-22, 2020

WHERE: First Universalist Church in Rockland

WHAT: A sleepover retreat for children ages 9-12

COST: \$25.00 (cost includes dinner, dessert, breakfast, and any speaker fees)

RSVP: Registration forms due to your DRE by March 9

MESSAGE FROM OUR INTERN

My, how the time flies. It’s hard to believe I’m more than half way done with my internship. March is still a month away, but June will be here in a blink! I’ve just done my mid-term evaluation with my intern committee and now I’m consciously thinking about how I want to spend the next few months with you all. As you probably know by now, I’m a planter of seeds; I’m also a preparer of soil. Now what exactly does that mean in our congregational contexts?

I’m sure there are multiple fronts with this. One is around my climate organizing guided by my EcoFaith Recovery practicum. I’ve been having lots of one-on-one meetings with people to get to know them, hear about their interests, and encourage their creativity around local climate response. If I haven’t spoken with you and this is something you are in the slightest bit interested in, please reach out to me! I know that between the three congregations there are hundreds of you that fall into this category!

My social justice workshops at Ferry Beach also played a big role in soil preparation, I believe, and really got folks imagining what our regenerative future might look like. At least one idea has arisen for an active response to climate change that has the power to transform our lives. I’ve been talking with Penel Houghton in Ellsworth about Makers’ Spaces and skillshares and how we might use our available space to build community and support sustainable living in ways that are resourceful, meaningful, and pleasurable. I’d love to talk with folks in all three of our church communities about ideas, resources, and experiences you might have. Those of you in Ellsworth who are interested in joining our nascent team should get in touch with me or Penel.

In other news, as part of my final class at Starr King School for the Ministry, “Reviving Pilgrimage: Decolonizing Holy Land Tourism,” I will be joining an interfaith pilgrimage to Israel and Palestine at the end of March. For more information and to support that trip, check out our Faithify campaign (Faithify is a crowd-funding platform specifically for Unitarian Universalist projects). There’s a short little video that I’m in that talks about the trip. I look forward to sharing my experience with you all when I return.

Finally, after a successful first run of “Tea with the Intern” in January, I will be continuing the event in February. Please join me for unstructured conversation with myself and others, tea, and perhaps even treats. I’ll be in my office in Ellsworth on **Thursday, February 20, from 2 to 3.**

Ariel Aaronson-Eves
Collaborative Intern,
UUC, UUCB, UUCE



UUCE CONGREGATIONAL COVENANT

We covenant as a loving community to:

- Be kind in word, tone, and deed;
- Communicate directly, and with honesty and thoughtfulness;
- Value a diversity of perspectives;
- Assume the best intentions in one another;
- Respectfully speak up when we are hurt and listen when we cause hurt; and
- When conflict arises, work constructively toward healing and forgiveness.



GROVE GATHERINGS!

Our 6th UU source is the spiritual teachings of earth-centered traditions which celebrate the sacred circle of life and instruct us to live in harmony with the rhythms of nature.

Have you always felt drawn to the cycles of the earth? If you are interested in ritual practice, come join with like-minded individuals in communal sacred space as we explore the divine connection between ourselves and nature.

We will meet on **February 1** to honor Imbolc and again on **February 29** for our “regular” session. Following that we propose this schedule:

Saturday, March 21, to honor the Equinox

Saturday, April 11, our regular meeting

Saturday, May 2, Beltaine

Saturday, June 20, Summer Solstice

Saturday, July 18

Saturday, August 29, Lughnasadh

Saturday, September 19, Mabon

Brightest Blessings,
Charles & Tobias Betancourt

UNITARIAN UNIVERSALISM'S 6 SOURCES

The living tradition which we share draws from many sources:

1. Direct experience of that transcending mystery and wonder, affirmed in all cultures, which moves us to a renewal of the spirit and an openness to the forces which create and uphold life;
2. Words and deeds of prophetic people which challenge us to confront powers and structures of evil with justice, compassion, and the transforming power of love;
3. Wisdom from the world's religions which inspires us in our ethical and spiritual life;
4. Jewish and Christian teachings which call us to respond to God's love by loving our neighbors as ourselves;
5. Humanist teachings which counsel us to heed the guidance of reason and the results of science, and warn us against idolatries of the mind and spirit.
6. Spiritual teachings of earth-centered traditions which celebrate the sacred circle of life and instruct us to live in harmony with the rhythms of nature.



UNITARIAN UNIVERSALISM'S 7 PRINCIPLES

We, the member congregations of the Unitarian Universalist Association, covenant to affirm and promote:

1. The inherent worth and dignity of every person
2. Justice, equity and compassion in human relations
3. Acceptance of one another and encouragement to spiritual growth in our congregations
4. A free and responsible search for truth and meaning
5. The right of conscience and the use of the democratic process within our congregations and in society at large
6. The goal of world community with peace, liberty, and justice for all
7. Respect for the interdependent web of all existence of which we are a part



“All for the Birds”

The life and times of
Cordelia Stanwood



Jude Lamb

portrays

Cordelia Stanwood

At UUCE

Sunday

February 2, 2020

@ 2:30 pm

www.judelamb.com

(This program is aimed at grownups.)



**Your e-mails and phone calls matter!
Contact your representatives:**

Senator Susan Collins
DC (202) 224-2523,
Bangor (207) 945-0417
<https://www.collins.senate.gov/contact>

Senator Angus King
DC (202) 224-5344,
Bangor (207) 945-8000
<https://www.king.senate.gov/contact>

Rep. Jared Golden
DC (202) 225-6306,
Bangor (207) 249-7400
<https://www.golden.house.gov/contact>

Chellie Pingree
DC (202) 225-6116
<https://www.pingree.house.gov/contact>

Gov. Janet Mills
(207)-287-3531, <https://www.maine.gov/governor/mills/contact>

PEACE & SOCIAL ACTION MINISTRY

UUCE’s Peace and Social Action Ministry believes in the need for us each to actively participate in our government. PASA wants to know: What concerns you? And what are you doing to register those concerns with your representatives?

We are currently following the Maine UU State Advocacy Network’s suggestion to donate via United Way at: <https://www.unitedwaygp.org/2019/06/14/expo-shelter/>

This link has additional information about volunteering and a calendar of activities.

Faithify is a UU crowdfunding website for donating to specified causes.

Stop and pick up a postcard when you see this sign in the Community Room!



Don't forget RESISTBOT
Text "resist" to 50409 or <https://resist.bot>



DECOLONIZATION AND US

An Indigenous Peoples’ History of the United States by Roxanne Dunbar will be the subject of a Book Discussion Group for three sessions on **February 13 and 27, and March 12, from 1-2:30 p.m.** at UUCE. This is the UUA common read for 2019-2020.

Because this book does not address the Wabanaki sufficiently, the “Decolonization and Us” Task Force has assembled supplemental materials to draw from:

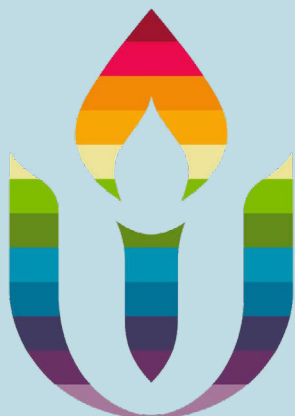
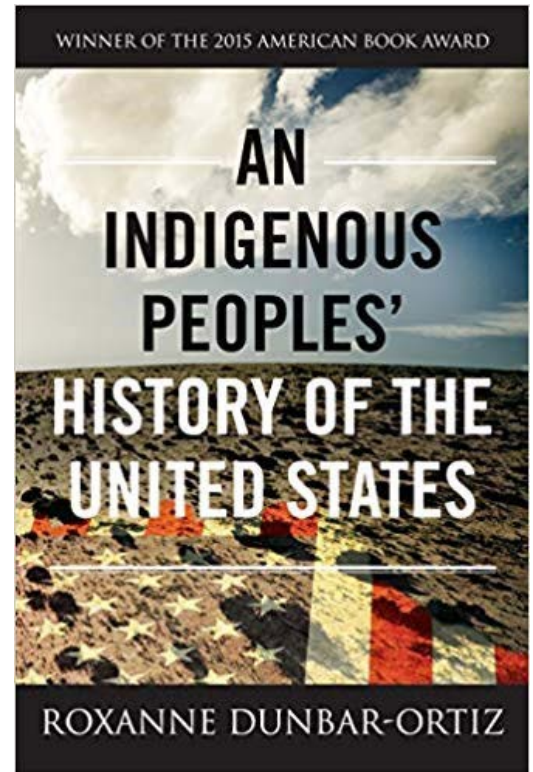
This Land Is Their Land: The Wampanoag Indians, Plymouth Colony, and the Troubled History of Thanksgiving - David Silverman

Dawnland Voices: An Anthology of Indigenous Writing from New England - Siobhan Senier

American Indians: Stereotypes and Realities - Devon Mihesuah
The Truth about Stories - Thomas King. This book provides an understanding of how our stories have been formed.

The Wabanaki of Maine and the Maritimes - Wabanaki Program of the American Friends Service Committee.

We would like as many members of the congregation to join us as possible. To sign up, please register with the office at office@uellsworth.org



UUCE'S AFFIRMATION OF COVENANT

Love is the spirit of this church,
and service its law;
this is our great covenant:
to dwell together in peace,
to seek the truth in love,
and to help one another.

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Starting January 13, there will be meetings at 5:30 p.m. at Haydée Foreman's home in Blue Hill on 2nd and 4th Mondays, AND at UUCE on 1st and 3rd Mondays.

For info: haydeeforeman@gmail.com
(207) 266-3872

A FAMILY FOR ME

We can stand up for the children of Maine. We can pray for individual children. We can support existing foster/adoptive families in our congregation or community. We can help keep the need for foster/adoptive families in the public eye. And if you think you could even be a foster parent, contact:

Rebecca Beal, LSW
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rbeal@spurwink.org

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A Family for ME: We would like a person or persons to coordinate with this charity on:

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- A Heart Gallery photo display at UUCE.
- Family movie night in coordination with Religious Education.

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A Family for **ME**

Call: 1-844-893-6311

Or Visit: AFamilyForMeMaine.org



JOIN US FOR **EcoSATTVA TRAINING:** [TOGETHER AT AN EDGE](https://oneearthsangha.org/ecosattva)

Are you concerned about climate change but feel you would like more guidance to know how to move forward? Please join PASA to take part in One Earth Sangha's EcoSattva Training. Drawing on insights from Buddhism and the growing field of climate psychology, we will explore our thoughts and feelings about the climate crisis so we can respond to it authentically, positively, and whole-heartedly.

Group meeting time has been updated to every other **Thursday at UUCE at 2 p.m.** The next meeting dates will be **2/6, 2/20, 3/5 and 3/19.** The individual registration fee is \$135 with the group discount. Scholarships are available from One Earth Sangha and no one will be turned away.

You can find out more about the course at <https://oneearthsangha.org/ecosattva>.

Our EcoSattva Training group "UUCE_PASA" has been created. To receive the group member discount, be sure to use: https://oneearthsangha.org/programs/2019-ecosattva-training/registration/?code=EST19GRP87&groupname=UUCE_PASA to register.

Contact Barbara Acosta at drabarb@gmail.com or Doug Bird at birddoug137@gmail.com before registering so you can get the group discount.



Check Out the **UU MINISTRY FOR EARTH**

Website: <https://www.uumfe.org/get-involved/climate-action-network/>

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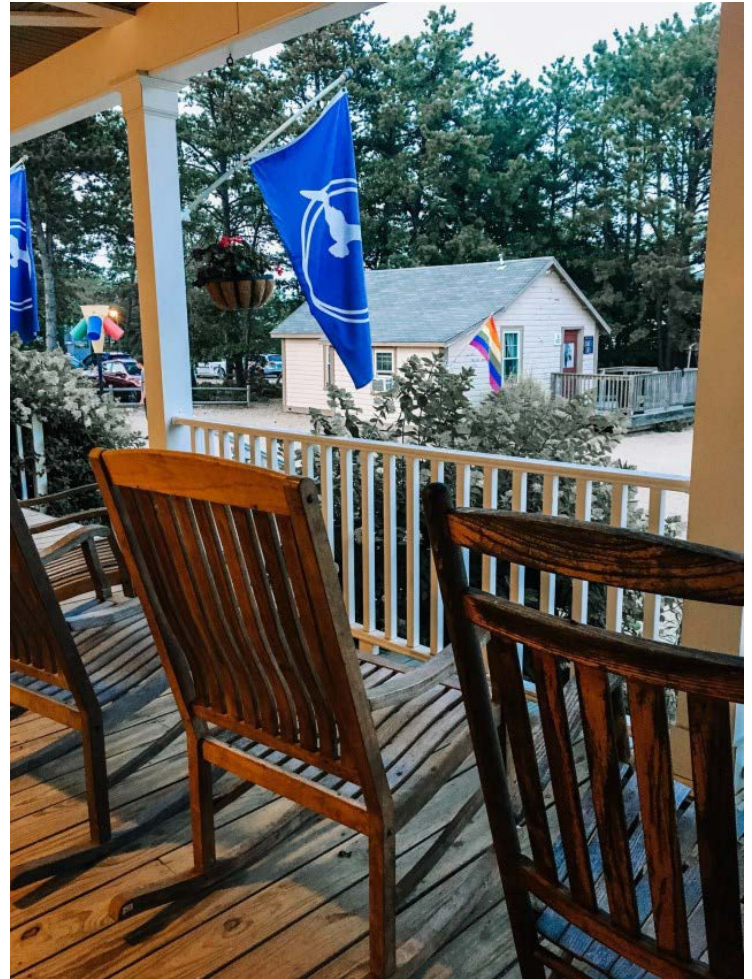
to **Margaret Thurston**
for her YEARS of
dedication, late nights,
and hardwork in putting
together the month NUUS!

MULTI-CHURCH SUMMER RETREAT AUGUST 21-24, 2020

The ocean is calling you for a long weekend (August 21-24, 2020) of relaxation, spirituality, creativity, music, worship, s'mores, bonfires, swimming, dancing, workshops, and delicious food with members of the UU Belfast and Castine congregations.

Registration for our multi-church summer retreat begins Sunday, February 23, and continues each Sunday after worship until Sunday, May 10. A \$25 NON-REFUNDABLE deposit is due for each attendee when you register. The balance is due by May 10. The fee for adults sharing a dorm room, with meals, is \$325. Ferry Beach has changed its deadlines and no refunds will be made for cancellations after May 17. Some partial scholarships are available. Please see Anne Ossanna for a confidential request.

There are no hotel options this year. On-site shared dorm rooms are just steps away from the ocean. The ADA rooms and campground are a short walk to the ocean. The fee includes housing for three nights, housekeeping, all programming and nine delicious all-you-can-eat meals. There is a lobster option for Sunday dinner at a cost of \$13 per lobster; this must be ordered and paid for by May 10.



T-shirt design from past UUCE Ferry Beach Fall retreat.



MARCH NUUS SUBMISSIONS - DEADLINE: FEBRUARY 21, 2020

If you have something to submit to our UUCE monthly NUUS, please be sure to email to Lisa@IndigoArtDesign.com no later than the 21st of the month before the next issue.

DON'T FORGET THE UUCE YARD SALE!

You thought you could use those holiday gifts. But let's face it ... the joy didn't survive January. Summer may seem impossibly remote right now, but remember the UUCE yard sale is **June 20** this year!

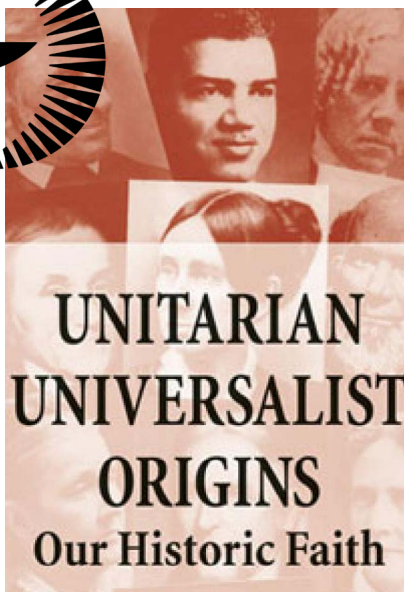
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Is it in GOOD WORKING ORDER?

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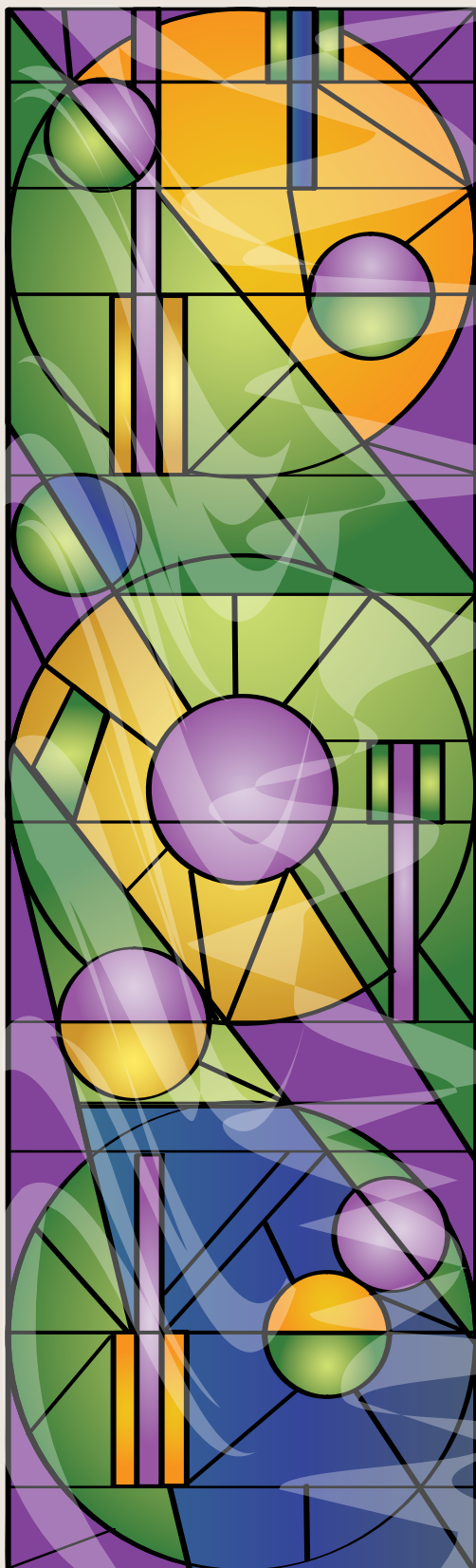
Then put it in a box and save it for the YARD SALE!

Email Pepper (eapepper1@aol.com) or Bill Fogle (williefogle@gmail.com) with questions. Thanks!!!



UU HISTORY CLASS

A Unitarian Universalist History class will be offered on Sundays after church, **12 noon to 1:30 p.m., February 16 - March 22**. While Unitarian Universalists today have a diversity of beliefs, we share a common history. Not knowing your history is a form of amnesia, so shake off that amnesia and learn more about our Biblical roots, our European roots, our theological debates, and our struggles with sexism and racism. Five sessions will be led by Mark Worth; the sixth and last session, about our local congregation, will be led by Wayne Smith. All sessions are free, and everyone is welcome.



The Unitarian Universalist Church of Belfast

Invites You to Join in Celebrating the Ordination of

Lane Fisher

to the Unitarian Universalist Ministry

Sunday, March 29, 2020

(snow date: April 19)

4:00 p.m.

Unitarian Universalist Church of Belfast

37 Miller Street
Belfast, Maine 04915

Reception to Follow

Ministerial Colleagues and Seminarians are invited to robe at 3:30 and process.

Lane's Contact Information:

49 Herrick Rd.
Belfast, ME 04915
lanefisher@myfairpoint.net
207-930-5573

Home hospitality is available for out-of-town guests. For information please contact Amy Fiorilli at amyfiorilli@gmail.com or 207-930-0007.

SANKOFA CORNER



REV. PETER NOURSE (1774-1840)

Wayne Smith
UUCE Historian

Peter Nourse was born on Oct. 10, 1774 in Bolton, Massachusetts, the eldest of the eight children of Jonathan and Ruth (Barrett) Nourse, both of Bolton. Although young Peter early on expressed a desire to obtain a liberal education, his father, who was a farmer and of limited resources, forced him to repress this desire until he reached the age of majority. At this point he pursued studies on his own while also working and at the age of 24 was able to enter into Harvard College.

He entered Harvard and almost immediately became involved in a number of organizations, including the well-known Hasty Pudding Club, of which he was among the four presidents in 1800, 1801, and 1802. In the spring of 1802, he was awarded the Hopkins Prize (now called the Detur Prize) consisting of two books of his choice: Emer de Vattel's *The Law of Nations* and William King's *An Essay on the Origin of Evil*. He was 'voted' his A.B. (Bachelor's) degree in 1802.

About this time, Nourse became involved with a missionary society with the unwieldy name of The Massachusetts Society for the Propagation of the Gospel among the Indians and the Others in North America. The Society sponsored his first trip to Ellsworth, in what was then known as the District of Maine, in the summer of 1803 and it is probable that he spent several other summers in Ellsworth in the years following. Nonetheless, he returned to Harvard during the school year to pursue an A.M. (Master's) degree which was 'voted' to him on Aug. 28, 1805.

Five days later, on Sept. 2, he was chosen librarian for the college. He remained in this position for three years, from 1805 to 1808. By 1807 he had become a member of the fraternity Phi Beta Kappa where he served as Corresponding/Recording Secretary. According to Rev. John K. Findly in his 1944

thesis from Tufts University, Nourse resigned from his librarian position in 1808 "in order to devote himself, as had always been his purpose, to the duties of the ministry."

In 1810, Nourse was sent back to Ellsworth, this time as a missionary under the auspices of a new organization, the Massachusetts Evangelical Missionary Society, which had been formed in 1807 by the churches in Worcester and Middlesex counties in Massachusetts "to send out missionaries, to employ schoolmasters, and to distribute books and pamphlets." Upon his arrival in 1810, the selectmen of Ellsworth hired him to work three-quarter time as the superintendent of Ellsworth's "common" or elementary schools, and one-quarter time as a preacher. In his educational work he was extremely successful, and he



Believed to be a photo of Rev. Peter Nourse and the original Congregational Church building on State Street.

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remained devoted to teaching throughout the rest of his life. On Sundays, he did regular preaching and by 1812 he was ready to formally establish a church.

At an Ellsworth town meeting on May 2, 1812, it was moved to “invite Mr. Peter Nourse, candidate preacher of the gospel, now missionary in this town, to be settled and ordained as our Gospel minister.” His salary was set at “one hundred dollars per annum as a partial salary for his ministerial labors and the further sum of three hundred dollars per annum for superintending and instructing our schools.” This motion passed 53-7, and he accepted it two weeks later on May 17, 1812.

On Sept. 8, 1812, thirteen people met to organize a church. Among the organizers were Melatiah Jordan, Daniel and Elizabeth Adams, Mary Adams (wife of Dr. Moses Adams), Jesse and Phebe Dutton, Benjamin Joy, Samuel Joy, Abigail (Green) Joy, wife of Benjamin Joy, Jr., Benjamin Eppes, Sarah Davis, and Samuel Silsby. The organizational meeting and the ordination the next day were probably held at the home of Melatiah Jordan. According to Ellsworth historian Herbert Silsby, “Col. Jordan was Ellsworth’s most prominent and wealthy citizen. Befitting his social status, his home was the finest in the town. It was located on State Street, just above where the court house stands now.”

Rev. Nourse’s ordination on Sept. 9, 1812 was marked by a discourse by Rev. Samuel Kendal, D.D., the minister of Weston, Massachusetts. The Charge to the new minister was given by Rev. Ezra Ripley of Concord, and the Right Hand of Fellowship was delivered by Rev. Mighill Blood of Buckstown [now Bucksport]. Ellsworth diarist Daniel Adams wrote of this event: “A church has been gathered, a worthy minister settled (Peter Nourse), and the cause of Christ appears to be in a prosperous way. The first event of

the kind ever in this town before. May God add His blessing.”

From 1812 to 1818, “[t]he church services and school were conducted in a room over a store at the east end of the bridge, belonging to Benjamin Jordan.” The church building was constructed in 1818 and was dedicated on Jan. 12, 1819. The church, a large white building erected on land donated by Col. Melatiah Jordan, who also bore the total expense of this first church building. The church, which faced State Street as Church Street had not been established at that time, was built under the direction of John Black and Melatiah’s son Benjamin. It was incorporated by the General Court of Massachusetts on June 17, 1819 as “the Congregational Church and Society in Ellsworth”. The act of incorporation was probably introduced by Charles Jarvis, “member of the General Court from Ellsworth, and treasurer of the church for some years.” Melatiah Jordan died just before the church building was done. He had been Mr. Nourse’s staunchest friend and supporter.

Not long after becoming the settled minister of the Congregational Church of Ellsworth, Rev. Nourse returned to Massachusetts to marry one Mary Barnum, born on Oct. 11, 1775 in Danbury, Connecticut to Rev. Caleb Barnum of Danbury and his wife, the former Priscilla Rice of Sturbridge, Massachusetts. Mary, known as “Polly,” was, at the time of her marriage, living in the Wellington neighborhood of Medford, MA, and she and Peter were married on Sept. 21, 1814 in Taunton, Massachusetts. Upon returning to Ellsworth, the couple settled into the former Daniel Treworgy home on the Surry Road.

The early 1800s was a time of contention among different factions of Congregationalism. The orthodox trinitarian faction [read: Congregational] stressed the divinity of Jesus (“God the Son”), whereas

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the more liberal faction [read: Unitarian] stressed his humanity (“The Son of God”). Although Nourse wasn’t called a Unitarian, he was definitely of the liberal persuasion. One Ellsworth minister, Samuel Adams Devens, described him in 1837 as “a man of liberal mind and genuine Christian feelings and not regarded by the Orthodox clergy as perfectly sound in the faith.” Others said that he “preached the love of God rather than the terrors of the law.” It is interesting to note that the pulpit Bible that he used at the Congregational church had been given to him by Rev. William Ellery Channing, the leader of the Unitarian movement. They had been classmates and friends at Harvard.

Nourse’s Unitarian or at least “liberal” leanings eventually created some controversy among his parishioners. By the mid 1820s the “Unitarian Question” which had become rampant in the Congregational churches of Massachusetts had begun spilling into Maine. Membership at his church fell from 41 in 1828 down to 36 in 1835, and eventually Nourse made the decision to resign from his ministry in November of 1835, after a ministry of 23 years, and a more orthodox minister, Rev. Sewall Tenney, was called by the Congregationalists to take his place.

His educational activities while he served as superintendent of the elementary school no doubt had a significant effect on his students, particularly Ann Francis (Jarvis) Greely who would go on to establish the Unitarian Society in 1865. Shannon Risk, in her 2009 University of Maine doctoral dissertation on the women’s suffrage movements of Maine and New Brunswick, wrote:

Greely, born in 1831, was fortunate enough to have access to education. Like many other women suffragists, Ann’s privileged background allowed her to pursue a life outside of grueling farm work or industrial labor. She

was educated at the Reverend Peter Nourse’s school and private schools. Her early connection to the Reverend Nourse was significant, because he had fostered a peaceful ideological schism in Ellsworth, providing an example of how to advance one’s own beliefs in the face of adversity. Nourse arrived in Ellsworth in 1810, sent by the Evangelical Missionary Society in Massachusetts, to institute the first Congregational society in that town. He had graduated from Harvard in 1802, the bastion of Calvinist orthodoxy but he could not ignore the appeal of religious flexibility advanced during the evangelical fervor of the early republic. Throughout his tenure as a Congregational minister in Ellsworth, Nourse was known as a most capable and warm-hearted man, but one who suffered a conflicted religious conscience.

Nourse and his brethren succeeded in having a Congregational church constructed by 1818, and he was also appointed superintendent of education in the town at that time. He encouraged education, so much so that by 1825, there were four schools in Ellsworth. He promoted a progressive form of scholarship, training his students to be teachers. Ann Greely was one of the town’s youngsters to benefit from Nourse’s educational supervision. Greely received, in other words, an education well above that of most girls in Maine.

Controversy followed the kindly minister. According to Ellsworth journalist Herbert Silsby, Nourse’s parishioners considered him ‘far too liberal, or Unitarian, in theological matters.’ Nourse increasingly found himself more in concert with Unitarian beliefs, and gracefully resigned his Congregational post in 1835...When Reverend Nourse took up a Unitarian ministry, he may have influenced the religious choices of students like Ann Greely. Greely’s ancestry was linked to Channing’s Unitarian Church, but her parents were Congregationalists. The charismatic Nourse advocated a church doctrine that allowed for more self-interpretation.

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Unitarianism lent itself to the reform movements of the day. Temperance workers and abolitionists looked to the Scriptures and directly to the life of Jesus to demonstrate that one should lead a sober life, and not enslave another human being. Women suffragists also found value in the Bible, believing that, as separate souls, they too have the right to govern themselves. The suffragists felt that everyone was equal in the kingdom of heaven. Ann Greely remained partial to Unitarianism her whole life, and her 1914 funeral was conducted by a Unitarian minister.

Nourse's wife Mary, known as Polly, passed away two years after he left the Congregational Church on Nov. 25, 1837 at the age of 62. Following her death, Nourse went to live with his youngest sibling, Dr. Amos Nourse in Hallowell, ME. (Amos was later elected to serve as senator from Maine to the U. S. Congress from Jan. 16 to March 3, 1857 upon the resignation of Hannibal Hamlin.) Nourse subsequently moved to Phippsburg, ME to live with his nephew, Dr. Thomas Childs, at whose home he died on March 25, 1840 at the age of 65. His body was



Rev. Nourse's tombstone in the Old Burial Ground in Ellsworth

brought to Ellsworth and was buried beside his wife in the cemetery behind his Congregational Church, known as the Old Burial Ground.

Rev. John K. Findly wrote of him: *During his whole life, he had devoted much of his time to [education]; and while in Ellsworth he wrote several reports upon the subject which attracted considerable attention*

and were received with much commendation. He was a man of good intellectual abilities, and considering his early disadvantages, his scholarship was remarkable. But all these mental acquisitions were surpassed by the qualities of his heart. He was benevolent to all, generous even to a fault – totally devoid of selfishness, and ready to devote all he had and was, for the promotion of sound learning, and the inculcation of true piety. He was universally esteemed, as a man who had but few equals in all those virtues and graces which adorn the Christian Character.

Llewellyn Deane, in his biography of his father John G. Deane, wrote the following: *Rev. Peter Nourse was a famous man in those days, renowned for his zeal in the gospel ministry, and for the goodness of his heart. I know we little folks, in the latter days of his pastorate, used to think his sermons exceedingly long. I am sure that he sowed good seed in that soil and watered them faithfully with prayers and tears. When I first read Goldsmith's 'Deserted Village' it seems to me that his parish priest, 'Passing rich with forty pounds a year,' was a veritable or counterpart Pastor Nourse. This godly man was indeed highly useful in his day and generation in educational as well as gospel matters, but, if my childhood's memory serves me well, his life was not a gay period of enjoyment, or rich with present rewards for work well done. I hold his memory in warm esteem because of the respect and affection with which my parents regarded him. Our family were not allowed to talk lightly or with disrespect of our religious teacher. He was my mother's pastor and spiritual counselor in the many scenes of affliction she was called to pass through in the sickness and death of those of her children who deceased before we moved from Ellsworth, and in the death of her mother...The funerals of all these were attended by Pastor Nourse. They were all buried in the Congregational churchyard – a modest stone tells their resting places and names...No more enthusiastic or self-denying teacher ever lived than Peter Nourse, and the town owed more to him than to any other of its citizens.*

* FOR YOUR CALENDAR *

EarthSong Justice Singers	.....	1st, 3rd Mondays 5:30 p.m.	UUCE
EarthSong Justice Singers	.....	2nd, 4th Mondays 5:30 p.m.	Haydée's, Blue Hill
Collaborative Ministry Team	.....	2nd Tuesdays 10 a.m.	UUCE
Spiritual Eldering Class	.....	Wednesdays 4-5:30 p.m.	UUCE
Writers' Group	.....	Tuesdays 1:30 p.m.	Tidewater Room
Surviving Your Brain Support	.....	Fridays 4-6 p.m.	Dolphin Room
Grove Gathering for Imbolc	.....	Sat, Feb 1, 2 p.m.	UUCE
K-1 Parents OWL Meeting	.....	Sun, Feb 2, 12:30 p.m.	UUCE
UU History Class	.....	Sundays, Feb 16-Mar 22, 12:30	UUCE
Common Read Book Group	.....	Thu, Feb 13, 27, 1-2:30 p.m.	UUCE
Grove Gathering	.....	Sat, Feb 29, 2 p.m.	UUCE
Goods & Services Auction	.....	Sat, Feb 22, 5 p.m.	UUCE
GA Information Meeting	.....	Sun, Feb 23, NOON	RE Wing
Concert by Shawn & Maizey	.....	[to be rescheduled]	UUCE
New to UU Class	.....	Sundays in March 12:30-2:30	UUCE
OWL K-1 Orientation	.....	Sun, Mar 1, 12:30-3 p.m.	UUCE
OWL K-1 Classes	.....	Sundays, Mar 8-Apr 19, 12:30	UUCE
Winter Rest & Renewal Retreat	.....	Friday - Sunday, Mar 15-18	Schoodic Point
Equinox Grove Gathering	.....	Sat, Mar 21, 2 p.m.	UUCE
Pre-Teen Sleepover Retreat	.....	Sat-Sun, Mar 21-22	UU Rockland
Lane Fisher's Ordination	.....	Sun, Mar 29, 4 p.m.	UU Belfast

Have you noticed the days getting ever so slightly longer? The sun shining ever so much brighter? Spring is just around the corner, and with spring comes much busy-ness at UUCE. Please make sure the office knows about your scheduled meeting dates, times, and room requests!

Also, let the office know if you experience any difficulty in receiving the monthly NUUS, the weekly E-News, or the monthly SoulMatters resources. The office is open on Tuesdays, Wednesdays, and Thursdays, from 11 to 4. Phone (207) 667-4393 or email office@uellsworth.org.



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We covenant to affirm and promote:

- The inherent worth and dignity of every human being;
- Justice, equity and compassion in human relations;
- 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;
- The goal of world community with peace, liberty and justice for all;
- Respect for the interdependent web of all existence of which we are a part.