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

## JULY WORSHIP SERVICES, 10:30 A.M.

### ZOOM Only Worship!

#### Sunday, July 3rd "The Deal on Those Days"

Rev. Gretchen Haley, 2022 UUA G.A. Worship Leader

Rev. Sara Hayman & Kay Wilkins, Worship Associates

*Plate Split Sunday to benefit MUUSAN*

This Sunday, we'll gather together on ZOOM and share a reflection, story and sermon given last week at our UUA's General Assembly Sunday Morning Worship Service in Portland, Oregon. In this service and sermon, Rev. Haley and her colleagues from our Foothills UU Congregation in Fort Collins, CO, invite us to reflect on and recommit to the importance of church in our lives. In her words: "In this moment, when so many of us might be wondering if we should just give up and relent, now's the time instead to double down on our commitment to the local church -this unique community that saves us and also breaks our hearts - often much more of the latter than we'd like to admit. In the midst of our culture of death, the church is a place of life. Or it is, as long as we are willing to bring our own lives to it."

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Phone: 646-558-8656

### Multi-Platform Worship

#### Sunday, July 10th The Land is the Real Teacher

Rev. Sara Hayman, Worship Leader

Helen Kazura, Worship Associate

Where are you when you feel your soul moved or your Spirit lifted? What are you doing when you experience the Holy as you understand it? When was the last time you felt in touch with a sense of wonder and awe, relatedness with the earth? In this time, riddled with so much anxiety, suffering and needs, being able to answer these questions well matters.

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# JULY SERVICES CONTINUED

## ZOOM Only Worship

### Sunday, July 17th Forward Together

Haydee Foreman, Worship Leader

David Jolly & Linda Homer, Guests

What is the Poor People's Campaign? What are the demands? What is the Third Reconstruction? So many of society's ills fall on the shoulders of low income and low wealth people. In this worship service, UUCE member Haydée Foreman, with guests David Jolly and Linda Homer, share how the Poor People's Campaign aims to address the interlocking evils of racism, militarism, poverty, ecological devastation, lack of access to good healthcare, and low wages.

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## Multi-Platform Worship

### Sunday, July 24th "I live my truth...until it changes."

Jeff Jeude, Guest Worship Leader

On this one month anniversary of the Supreme Court ruling that overturned Roe v. Wade, many of us find ourselves struggling to re-align our "truths" as the world changes. How should we react when our life trajectory is changed by new developing truths? Join us as we find ways to continue to live our truth, even when it changes.

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## Multi-Platform Worship

### Sunday, July 31st Reimagining Our Faith

Bettina Lehovc, Guest Worship Leader

Helen Kazura, Worship Associate

What does it mean to be UU? How can we reimagine our faith for a more expansive future? The UUA Article II Study Commission has been tasked to lead this reimaging. Join us as we explore their draft revisions to our UUA purpose and principles...and brainstorm our own answers to the question of what we value and what that requires of us.

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Bettina Lehovc served as collaborative ministry intern for Ellsworth, Belfast, and Castine in 2020-21. She's spent the past year serving Maine congregations in Augusta and Midcoast and is preparing to return to her home base of Arkansas. She looks forward to seeing you all again!



## UUCE PLATE SPLIT FOR THE UPCOMING MONTHS:

### July-Sept 2022 MUUSAN

A statewide advocacy and public policy network anchored in our UU faith, with primary issues of democracy in action, health care for all, climate change, and racial justice.

# MINISTRY MATTERS

REV SARA HAYMAN

Dear Ones,

Are you staying grounded and making time and space enough to take care of yourself?

So much of what's happening in the world is discouraging and frightening.

Now, perhaps more than ever, we need to take care of ourselves –

to rest and renew our spirits - so we can be actively

and lovingly be engaged in helping to

create and re-create the world we want to live in.

I'm grateful to be able to be on vacation for two weeks,

from Monday, July 11 – July 24th. Much of that time,

Sarah & Camino and I will be exploring the beautiful landscape

of the Gaspé peninsula of Quebec Province. We'll be hiking,

swimming, enjoying great food, I hope, and making a point

to savor the rhythms of summer.

May you, too, find ways to be nourished

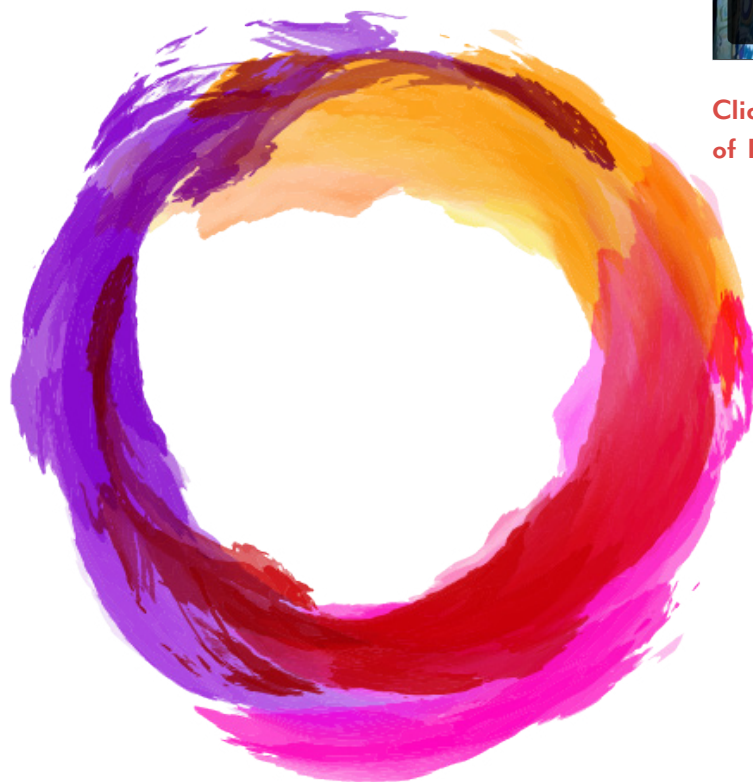
and renewed, body and soul in this season.

Yours, in shared ministry,

*Rev. Sara*



**Click video image above to view video of Rev Sara 's Ministry Matters column.**





## **BUCKSPORT WATERFRONT TRAIL** Sunday July 3 starting at 2:00pm Sara's Close-to-Home Trail

Approximately ½ mile one-way. The tranquil and gentle path along the Penobscot River is a great place for a stroll or to soak in the sites of Fort Knox and the Penobscot Narrow Bridge.

The 6-foot wide walkway is paved with bricks, and is mostly flat. Many benches along the walk offer plenty of places to stop and rest and take in the view. There is a hill a quarter-mile west the US-1 bridge that goes up then down again over about 0.1 miles, with a maximum grade of 13%.

Meet in the parking lot behind Warren's Restaurant in downtown Bucksport.  
**Ice cream** option after the walk! Please RSVP Mary Murray marydmurray@comcast.net 239-699-0150 phone/text



Sara, Mary Murray & Camino on top of Great Pond Mountain, June 11th!



# SUMMERTIME FUN WITH YOUR UUCE COMMUNITY

## UUCE Monthly Hikes & A Walk

### Mark Your Calendar Now & Plan to Join us!

Hosted by Rev. Sara, Kathy Hall & Mary Murray, Your UUCE Hike Ministers!

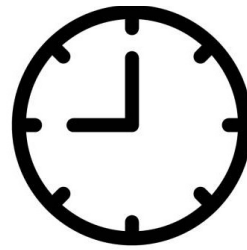
At UUCE, it's tradition to schedule monthly hikes & walks together in the summer and early fall. This year, we've chosen four beautiful places to experience and explore together. Put on your hiking boots (or walking shoes on July 3rd!), pack a snack and water, and meet us at the trailhead! All are welcome. Masks are optional this year

If you have questions (or want to know more any of these hikes/walk), please reach out to Rev. Sara, Kathy Hall or Mary Murray. (More detailed trail descriptions will be published in the Wednesday e-news and posted to our UUCE Facebook group)

- **Sunday, July 3** at the Bucksport Riverfront Walkway in Bucksport  
Meet at 2pm at the gazebo below Warren's Restaurant. See previous page.
- **Sunday, August 14** at Blue Hill Mountain in Blue Hill.  
Meet at 2pm in the parking lot across from the field at the base of the mountain.
- **Sunday, September 11** at Great Head in Acadia National Park.  
Meet at 2pm in the parking lot off Schooner Head Road.

# MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE

Calling all UUCE members and friends -



TIME-  
SENSITIVE  
REQUEST

OUR UUCE DIRECTORY NEEDS UPDATING and we need your help. Some of us have moved, we have new members, we certainly need some new photos - and we want to have the most up-to-date information on our community so we can stay in touch.

The current directory is on the website here:

**<https://uucellsworth.org/uuce-members-section/>**

*Note: You will need to use the members' password to access the directory.*

Click on the Member Directory 2022 button and check your listing.

Please send any corrections, an updated photo or an entirely new listing to Jeff at [Uucellsworth@gmail.com](mailto:Uucellsworth@gmail.com).

If you are new to UUCE since the directory was last updated (in 2020, we think), please send the following info (or as much as you would like to share) to Jeff:

Name

Mailing address

Email

Contact #

Birthday

Photo

The directory will be published in early September on the password-protected members' only section of the website, and in hard copies available upon request.

**Please review your listing and send any updates to Jeff by July 5th.**

# RE SUMMER GREETINGS!

It has been so wonderful having multiple children return to in person classes during Multi-platform worship. We also had 4 children join Jude Lamb and myself for a Lady Slipper Hunt at Birds Acre in May. We look forward to being outside as much as possible this summer during our Multi-platform Worship Sundays, so please make sure our children dress appropriately for outside.

## Religious Education Calendar:

**Sunday, July 3rd:** In person summer activity with Anne during Multi-platform worship service.

**Sunday, July 10th:** In person summer activity with Anne during Multi-platform worship service.

**Sunday, July 17th:** Zoom Only Worship, no RE offerings,

**Sunday, July 24th:** In person summer activity with Anne during Multi-platform worship service.

## ANNUAL CHURCH PICNIC - JULY 24<sup>TH</sup>

Bring your lawn chairs, sunscreen, bathing suit and a dish to share to Lamoine Beach on July 24th from 1:00-4:00. Reverend Sara and Anne will provide the charcoal, burgers and hot dogs. You bring dishes and beverages to share along with your own place settings.



# COME FILL MY CUP

## Soulful Circle Gatherings



**In UUCE's Eileen Brennan Outdoor Sanctuary\***

- **Wednesday, July 6** from 5-7:30pm
- **Wednesday, August 10** from 5-7:30pm
- **Friday, September 2** from 5-7:30pm

What a blessing it is to be able to gather together in this beautiful place now!

This summer, Rev. Sara looks forward to partnering with others to host soulful gatherings that will include things like drumming, singing, movement, silence and music! Come sit in the circle under a canopy of trees and savor the beauty and the warmth of each other.

Details for each gathering will be published in the Wednesday e-news and posted on our private Facebook group. All are welcome and masks are optional.

\*In an effort to be more inclusive and accessible to all, a sound system (including microphones) will be used in this outdoor sanctuary space, and, as volunteers are able to help, we'll stream these gatherings on ZOOM. UUCE remains committed to building a more accessible walkway.



Evelyn Foster and Helen Kasura at the June gathering. UUCE's Choir sang at the gathering. Thank you, Haydee Foreman & all our singers.



# HELP NEEDED TO CREATE...

## GIANT PUPPETS

Local climate activists need help with design, materials and construction of three ~9 ft backpack-mounted puppets to look like the Scarecrow, Tin Woodsman and Lion from The Wizard of Oz. If you have experience or interest (or a metal frame backpack), please contact Paul Kelly at 412-9887 or ourdreamalso@icloud.com.



# SIDE WITH LOVE

**UUA “SIDE WITH LOVE”** is organizing information and action planning for Reproductive Justice in a post Roe v. Wade world. In July and August there will be 3 sessions on this topic aimed at helping congregations get organized. To participate, a congregation has to have at least 2 people willing to take part in the session. Kay Wilkins and Doug Bird are attending. Kay and Doug encourage others to join them.

For more information and to register, please follow the link:

[https://secure.everyaction.com/\\_](https://secure.everyaction.com/_)

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Your UU Church of Ellsworth is in the planning stages for our participation in this year's **COMMON GROUND FAIR**.  
But, **WE NEED YOUR INPUT!!!**

We realize that we are not able to do this fundraiser without YOUR help. So, to make volunteering easier, our scheduling now includes two-hour and four-hour shifts. We feel that this makes volunteering a little easier and more accessible to many of our members. We will also still offer free admission to the fair to all our volunteers. And, if you've recently volunteered with our Yard Sale or any other UUCE fundraising event, you already know that we have FUN together when doing an activity for our beloved community.

Here's the input part: In order for us to know whether we should proceed with our planning, we need to hear from you first. The fair is being held on Friday, September 23rd, Saturday, September 24th, and Sunday, September 25th in Unity, Maine.

Will you be able and willing to volunteer for this event? While we don't need a specific time and date commitment at this time, we do need to know if we can count on you to be there. So, please hit reply and let us know! Help us figure out if we can make this UUCE fundraiser happen!

Thank you so much for your input!  
Esther  
(UUCE Egg Roll Booth Volunteer Coordinator)

## 8th Principle TASK FORCE



**“We, the member congregations of the Unitarian Universalist Association, covenant to affirm and promote: journeying toward spiritual wholeness by working to build a diverse multicultural Beloved Community by our actions that accountably dismantle racism and other oppressions in ourselves and our institutions.”**

## NEW 8<sup>TH</sup> PRINCIPLE JOURNEY TASK FORCE

Following our adoption of the 8th principle on Sunday May 22, the board has created a new journey task force—one that furthers this work by creating learning and awareness opportunities for all of us to expand our understanding of and support for antiracism and the dismantling of other oppressions in ourselves and our congregational lives and our becoming a more welcoming and diverse community. If you are interested in learning more or volunteering in this effort, please contact Jana Robinson, [janasmith.robinson@outlook.com](mailto:janasmith.robinson@outlook.com).

We hope to have sufficient interest to meet together in a retreat in August to discuss the work ahead.

We'll continue to increase the variety of resources available and encourage you to check out the growing lending library of books and articles in the RE wing.

## FROM OUR BOARD PRESIDENT GARY SHELLHAMER

As we move into summer, congratulations on a very successful yard sale. Special thanks to Pepper for again leading the event and to all of you who donated items, got the word out to the, assisted with set-up, worked the sale, bought items, and/or helped with clean-up. You made it a success and, speaking for myself, it was fun participating and I hope you all enjoyed the sometimes slightly damp experience. Thanks again to your pledge donations during this spring's Stewardship Campaign. The pandemic of the past two-plus years has created challenges and you have shown your willingness to sustain UUCE as we navigate the still-changing ways of maintaining our connections.



Thank you also for your May Congregational Meeting vote to adopt the 8th Principle. (“*We, the member congregations of the Unitarian Universalist Association, covenant to affirm and promote: journeying toward spiritual wholeness by working to build a diverse multicultural Beloved Community by our actions that accountably dismantle racism and other oppressions in ourselves and our institutions.*”) The board has approved a new charge for a task force to further our journey. If you are interested in being active in the work of this task force, please contact Jana Robinson ([janasmith.robinson@outlook.com](mailto:janasmith.robinson@outlook.com)).

UUCE has many summer events planned, the possibilities of increased in-person participation and working together for UUCE. Please remember that the Loaves & Fishes building will revert to our use sometime in the upcoming year. As we vision both short- and long-term uses of the building, your input would be appreciated. There is a link on the UUCE homepage (<https://uuellsworth.org/>) to a Google Jam Board (under the bulletin board image) to add your ideas as well as a suggestion box in UUCE's foyer.

Robert Breeden has stepped down from the board to enable him to devote more time to his family and home, impacted by the pandemic. The board will be soliciting interest in fulfilling the remaining year of Robert's term as an at-large member of the board. If you are interested, please contact me ([president@uuellsworth.org](mailto:president@uuellsworth.org)).

I hope you enjoy your summer and look forward to seeing all of you, in-person or via Zoom (and with even more gratitude for your support of the purchase, installation, and use of our multi-platform tech system that helps maintain and strengthen our beloved community's connections).



# In the Gardens at UUCE

We have been busy weeding and mulching and are grateful that we have had a good amount of rain this spring. All the plants look happy and some have really “blossomed” this year.

On this past Sunday, several people remarked on the beautiful yellow flowers along the circular drive. They are Sundrops (*Oenothera fruticosa*), also called Narrow-leaf Evening Primrose, although they aren't actually related to Primrose.

Also along the circular drive we have planted a patch of sunflowers – acknowledging our solidarity with the people of Ukraine - and will place a Ukrainian flag in the spot as well. So far no critters have eaten the young sunflowers but keeping the deer at bay has been a real challenge this year.

They have munched on several delectable blooms even as we try to stay vigilant about spraying deer repellent. We also have “predator eyes” – little solar devices we've placed around the church property that flash what looks like a pair of red eyes at night.

We've added a small herb garden in the back in what once had been a circular sand box.



# YARD SALE '22

Thanks to EVERYONE who participated in this year's yard sale! Because of all of you, it was a huge success! Our budgeted goal was \$5500 and we made a little over \$6600 on yard sale Saturday - 20% over goal! Way to go, team!

I especially thank Jeff Jeude who must've filled half our shipping container schlepping stuff folks dropped off at UUCE over to the Junction; Sara, who jumped in when I was down in VA this spring, to coordinate all the outstanding help we got; CJ & Sarah, who again this year came up from Massachusetts to help out in wonderful ways; and Lisa, who ... well, makes everything better for me.

THANKYOUTHANKYOUTHANKYOUTHANKYOUTHANKYOUTHANKYOU  
- Pepper



This year's UUCE Priceless Yard Sale was a Fantastic Success!  
THANK YOU, Beth Pepper and Absolutely Every Person who helped!  
Your donations, your time & energy before, at and after the sale, your help getting the word out, and your purchase of things made all the difference!  
Thank you for creating the incredible spirit and generosity of our congregation.



Together, we raised \$7,189 to support our congregation and the many organizations we support.



## SANKOFA CORNER



Wayne H. Smith  
UUCE Historian

# REV. HERMAN HENRY GEERTZ (1914-1964), PART 2:

*“WHAT?! THE UNITARIANS ARE CALLING A  
GERMAN PASTOR IN THE MIDDLE OF THIS WAR?”*

*When Herman Henry Geertz came to candidate in Ellsworth in the summer of 1942, the United States was thoroughly involved in a war with Germany in Europe. Mr. & Mrs. Geertz arrived in Ellsworth on June 20, 1942, and he preached two Sundays in a row, June 21 and June 28, using the week in between to get to know the Ellsworth community. Geertz expressed some concerns to Dan Fenn, chair of the AUA’s fellowship committee, who later wrote to FUSE board president Lyle L. Brown: “[Geertz] was quite disturbed by an apparent feeling of suspicion evidenced during the week because of his German name...I can feel very strongly the inadvisability of having Mr. Geertz settled in a seaport town where there is any amount of this sentiment which would be interfering with the possibility of his fulfilling the ministry of your church.” After the Geertzes had left Ellsworth, a special parish meeting was held on Wednesday, July 1, during which Geertz’s candidacy was discussed. Rev. Henry Hallam Saunderson, a long-time friend of the Ellsworth church, spoke at this special meeting and, in Fenn’s words, “did a splendid piece of work...in interpreting the whole situation to the parish.” What follows is a letter from Rev. Saunderson to Dan Fenn in which he summarizes his presentation to the congregation. [Underlining is Saunderson’s.]*

My dear Fenn,

I am glad to get your letter of yesterday, and I hasten to reply, and very frankly. The situation is critical both for the young man beginning his ministry, and for the church striving for survival.

I began coming to this part of the Maine coast when I was an undergraduate in Harvard College; so I have known the Ellsworth church for a long time. The people regard me as a friend who can be trusted. I speak very frequently, and associate with the people. So I was invited urgently to attend, and share in the meeting which voted the call to Mr. Geertz.

In the beginning of my address to the people at the meeting, I made the very emphatic statement that I would not advise them how to vote. I said that anything I said about the young man, in praise of him, was not to be construed as an expression of an opinion that he ought



Rev. Henry Hallam Saunderson

to be called; nor was anything I said about the difficulties of the situation to be construed as a suggestion that it would be better not to call him.

Then I pointed out the qualities of his preaching, and other work, and the evidence he gave of being a growing man. (I attended the service both Sundays when he preached.) I spoke of his education, and of my knowledge of the Newton-Andover school, where I have lectured frequently. In these matters I could speak very favorably of the young man.

When it came to the matter of his German origin, I pointed out that three things were to be considered very carefully:

- 1) The actual truth about the man.
- 2) The doubts that there might be in the minds of the members of the church.
- 3) The prejudices which might exist, or might develop later, in the community.

1) As to the man himself, I had the facts, which the people of the church had not yet learned. His father and mother were German born; but they left Germany before the first World War because they hated the German autocracy, and wanted to find the American Way of Life. They came to our Middle West. The man became a devoted and successful Congregational minister. Their children were born here, educated here, and were reared in devoted loyalty to America.

So this young man, candidate for the position of minister of their church, is a native-born American citizen of unquestionable loyalty and devotion to this country. He has a brother in the armed forces of the United States. In his second sermon, this candidate had given clear-cut expression to his faith in the American cause in this war. In conversation with me, he had declared his detestation of the German government.

2) I said to the people at the meeting that they ought to know these facts about the candidate. And I said: "You should search your minds and hearts to know if you are able and willing to put aside all doubts about him, and to work together devotedly, under his leadership. If you vote to call him, it means that you have made that search, and have found a clear affirmative answer to it."

3) Then I said that they were confronted with a very serious question as to how the man would be received in the community, and also what might be said in the community about "The Unitarian Church bringing a German into this town." I pointed [out] that there was no reason for such prejudice; but that the prejudice, the suspicion, might already exist, or might develop.

Then I said, "You must search again your own minds, your wills, and see if you are ready to face the community with unflagging courage on this issue, in case you do call the man. If you are ready, in any emergency which may arise, to stand up and fight for your man, you can face the future with confidence." Again I pointed out that any adverse attitude toward the man would be based on prejudice and not on reason. And I pointed out also that a stalwart defense of the

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church, on an issue of decency and fair play, would be a wholesome thing for the church.

And finally I said that they must know their own minds, and take the whole responsibility of casting their votes.

Every individual in the meeting was then called upon to speak and express himself in this issue. Then there was a written ballot. The ballot was entirely "Yes;" it was not necessary to make it unanimous, for it was unanimous already. The people are ready to stand their ground. They are a very staunch group of good people.

Mr. Geertz and his wife both told me, before they left Ellsworth, that they had been treated with much kindness, but had been conscious of an atmosphere of reserve, and they knew the reason for it. They felt uncertain about the wisdom of accepting a call, in case it were voted, but the unanimous vote by a meeting which faced squarely the issue, may give them confidence to undertake the job.

Please keep me informed of developments.

Yours faithfully,

*Henry Hallam Saunderson*

*On July 2, the day after this special parish meeting was held, the church secretary, Mrs. Eva Osgood, penned the following letter to Mr. Geertz:*

Dear Mr. Geertz -

At a special meeting of the First Unitarian Church of Ellsworth called last evening, July 1, it was voted unanimously to call you to be Pastor of this church, beginning September 1, 1942.

The attendance at the meeting was not large, but a good representation of the active, interested members. And today has brought expressions of pleasure on the part of some who could not attend the meeting. They were glad of the decision made by those attending.

The salary you will receive is \$1,300.00 and the use of the parsonage. Our constitution and bylaws calls for no limited term of pastorate. The agreement goes on as long as both minister and church are satisfied. When either minister or church feels the time has come to make a change, they are free to do so.

The trustees will make the parsonage ready for occupancy.

We hope for a favorable reply to our call and we will be very happy to welcome you and Mrs. Geertz in September.

Very sincerely,

Eva Osgood, Clerk



Eva (Nealley) Osgood



Wednesday Morning Matins  
Zoom Invite:  
<https://uuma.zoom.us/j/96669607701>  
Meeting ID: 966 6960 7701  
Phone: 646-876-9923

## WEDNESDAY MORNING MATINS at 8 am

All are welcome to come and be a part of this ½ hour weekly, contemplative gathering on ZOOM. With music, poetry, readings, silence and space enough for people to share their wisdom, we companion each other with love and gratitude into the day.

Please be aware that I'll be on vacation for two weeks in July and therefore only leading Matins on the first and last Wednesday of the month, 7/6 and 7/27. Notice will go out in the Wednesday e-new if others come forward and are willing to facilitate this time and space together. I look forward to being in this circle with you!

*Rev. Sara*

## TUESDAY VESPERS IS TAKING A BREAK UNTIL SEPTMEBER, 2022

Please be aware that Rev. Amy Fiorilli's Tuesday Evening Vespers will NOT happen in July & August.

*Rev. Amy looks forward to seeing you for Vespers next on Tuesday, September 6th!*

## 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.



## 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.

# STAYING CONNECTED

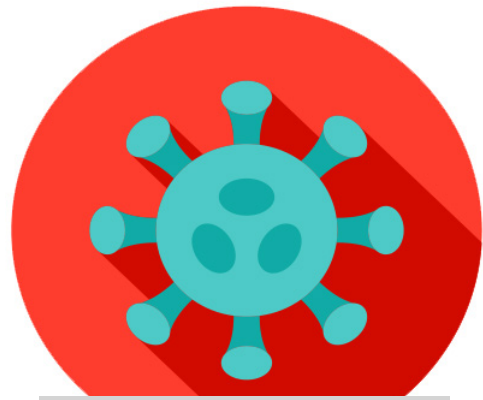
## UUCE OFFICE

During this time of mandated isolation to curtail the spread of Covid-19, the Church and Office remain closed. Church Administrator Jeff Jeude is working remotely most of the time, but coming into the office on Wednesday, from 11:00 to 3:00.

You can ALWAYS reach him by phone at 573-330-4677 and email either [office@uuellsworth.org](mailto:office@uuellsworth.org).

### Support to Set-Up ZOOM Meetings for Church Gatherings

Jeff is able to schedule church-related ZOOM meetings. If you need to schedule a ZOOM meeting for your church purposes, please email him at [office@uuellsworth.org](mailto:office@uuellsworth.org) or call the church at 207-667-4393 on Wednesdays when he's physically in the building, typically 11:00 a.m. to 3p.m. If your need is urgent and Jeff has not gotten back to you, please call, text or email Rev. Sara Hayman at 207-610-2872 or [sara@uuellsworth.org](mailto:sara@uuellsworth.org). If possible, please give us several days notice to schedule these ZOOM meetings.



## COVID-19 TASK FORCE

### UUCE COVID-19 TASK FORCE CONTACT INFORMATION

Mary Haynes:

667-7596 (home)  
207-266-2207 (cell/text)

Anne Ossanna:

565-2057 (home)  
374-5612 (work)  
207-479-6338 (cell/text)

Marta Rieman:

667-7584 (home)  
207-479-7250 (cell/text)

Gary Shellehamer:

667-0034 (home)  
202-494-3593 (cell/text)

Karen Volckhausen:

667-9212 (home)  
207-266-9212 (cell/text)

## BREEZE CHECK-IN /REGISTRATION FOR SUNDAY SERVICES

We now have a page on our UUCE website with an instructional video made by our own Jeff Jeude. Here is the direct link: <https://uuellsworth.org/sunday-service-check-in/>

You can also reach it by simply going to our main page and clicking on the MEMBERS tab and then clicking on SUNDAY SERVICE CHECK-IN.

# CONTACT INFORMATION

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<b>Collaborative Intern Minister</b> Vanessa Williams: 781-853-7610 williams@meadville.edu	<b>NUUSletter Editor</b> (submissions deadline: 25 <sup>th</sup> of each month) Lisa Williams: 274-0177 lisa@IndigoArtDesign.com

## BOARD OF TRUSTEES

<b>President:</b> Gary Shellehamer to 2021 (667-0034)	<b>Vice President:</b> Beth Pepper to 2023
<b>Treasurer:</b> Alison Stephens to 2024	<b>Secretary:</b> Susan Opdycke to 2022
<b>Trustee:</b> Robert Breeden to 2022	<b>Trustee:</b> Kathy Hall to 2024
<b>Trustee:</b> Sally Gervais to 2022	<b>Moderator:</b> John Fink

## COMMITTEE AND TASK FORCE CHAIRS

<b>Adult Committee on Education:</b> vacant	<b>Landscaping and Grounds:</b> Bron Day
<b>Aesthetics:</b> Margaret Thurston	<b>Loaves &amp; Fishes:</b> Beth Pepper, Nina Turner
<b>Auction:</b> Margaret Thurston, Lori Johnson-Pannier, Jeff Jeude	<b>Membership:</b> Jody Murphy
<b>Building &amp; Maintenance/Safety:</b> Ken Hanson	<b>Pastoral Care Ministry:</b> Eric Uberseder
<b>Charitable Giving:</b> Rev. Sara Hayman, Nancy Guy	<b>Peace and Social Action:</b> Barb Acosta
<b>Choir:</b> Haydée Foreman	<b>Publicity:</b> Susan Opdycke
<b>Collaborative Ministry:</b> Robin Lovrien, Mack MacDonald, Gary Shellehamer	<b>Children's Religious Education:</b> Linda Uberseder
<b>Committee on Ministry:</b> Karen Volckhausen	<b>Small Group Ministry:</b> Mary Murray
<b>Congregational Engagement:</b> Marjorie Loring	<b>Stewardship:</b> vacant
<b>Cookie Walk:</b> Robin Lovrien	<b>Ushers:</b> Jon Thomas, Ken Hanson
<b>Eggroll Project:</b> vacant	<b>Technology Coordinator:</b> vacant
<b>Ferry Beach Director:</b> Anne Ossanna	<b>Wayside Pulpit:</b> Nancy Guy
<b>Fiscal Matters:</b> Connie Bailey	<b>Website:</b> Esther Sampol
<b>Flowers:</b> Bronwen Day	<b>Worship Arts:</b> vacant
<b>Green Sanctuary:</b> Paul Kelley	<b>Yard Sale:</b> Beth Pepper
<b>History/Archives:</b> Wayne Smith	<b>Youth Advisor:</b> Bob Dickens
<b>Hospitality Ministry Coordinator:</b> Jeff Jeude	

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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.