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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 7 **The Right to Choose**

Rev. Sara Hayman & Lindsey Piper, Worship Leaders
Kay Wilkins, Worship Associate

Plate Split Sunday to benefit MUUSAN

UUCE Church Picnic at Lamoine Beach at 1pm!

Congregational Conversation (about this service) after worship!

<https://uuma.zoom.us/j/99514861412?pwd=OFhhMOR5MIB0UCsrSnYwRzhQTThTQT09>
Meeting ID: 995 1486 1412
Password: 900539
Phone: 646-558-8656

This Sunday, Rev. Sara leads worship with Lindsey Piper, a member of our Belfast UU congregation. Together, they will create a powerful service addressing the recent overturning of Roe v. Wade by our nation's Supreme Court. Following worship, Lindsey will participate in a congregational conversation about this topic, too.

As UUA President Rev. Susan Frederick Gray said publicly following this ruling, "As Unitarian Universalists, we are unequivocal and unapologetic: This anti-choice decision by the Supreme Court infringes on our deeply held religious beliefs. Access to abortion and the right to choose is an issue of gender equality, bodily autonomy, and religious liberty, all of which are long-held Unitarian Universalist religious teachings."

Lindsey Piper, WHNP-BC, is a long-time member of UUCB and has devoted decades of her life to reproductive health, choice and justice and will offer the homily. Lindsey provides a deep, honest and experienced look at this decision and what it asks of us in these times.

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AUGUST SERVICES CONTINUED

Sunday, August 14 **Is what you're about to say worth dying for?**

Rev. Sara Hayman, Worship Leader

Helen Kazura, Worship Associate

Congregational conversation about the service on ZOOM after church!

UUCE Monthly Hike at Blue Hill Mountain at 2pm!

<https://uuma.zoom.us/j/98229497913?pwd=cmdmOXAzelRzMkw0YUISb2E5UVRzUT09>
Meeting ID: 982 2949 7913
Password: 851690
Phone: 646-558-8656

Drawing wisdom from an ancient Jewish tale told by the Baal Shem Tov, 18th century founder of Hasidic Judaism, in this service Rev. Sara invites us to reflect on how we use words and our voices to help or to hinder transforming ourselves and the world for the better. Where do we fall short?! How can we get better at this?! Following worship, all are welcome to be part of a 45 minutes congregational conversation on ZOOM only about this sermon and service topic.

Sunday, August 21 **Singing Tomorrows**

Sarah Nicholson, Guest Worship Leader

Marta Rieman, Worship Associate

Special Singing with Paul Kelly & Kate O'Dell

<https://uuma.zoom.us/j/92968319844?pwd=bHVtSzcIRUUxLzViOHVaaFJxdIVGUT09>
Meeting ID: 929 6831 9844
Password: 565354
Phone: 646-558-8656

Sara is excited to have Sarah Nicholson, her partner and long-time member of our Belfast UU congregation, lead worship in Ellsworth this morning! Come and remember why and how it is that singing in community is a powerful source for change in ourselves and in our world. In this service, Sarah explores her own understanding of the wisdom in singing and the power of song.

Sunday, August 28 **Zoom-only Service**

Guest Worship Leader yet to be determined.

Updated information will be shared on UUCE's website and the weekly Wednesday e-news!

<https://uuma.zoom.us/j/91071984683?pwd=RkhYdVILMDAyYm5KQk9ldGVyNkRIUT09>
Meeting ID: 910 7198 4683
Password: 025391
Phone: 646-558-8656



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

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



Dear Ones,

Welcome to our August NUUS, chock full of information & invitations to be a part of our UUCE community! Here are just four upcoming invitations in August that I want to be sure you're aware of:

1. Rev. Mark Worth is teaching an In-person, 6-session, Adult Education class at UUCE beginning on Wednesday, August 8/3 from 10-11:30am – The New Testament as they **Never Taught it in Seminary!** See the announcement about this offering in this newsletter and THANK YOU, Rev. Mark for sharing your passion for teaching at UUCE!
2. On Wednesday, August 3rd at 5:15pm in the Eileen Brennan Outdoor Sanctuary, I'm excited to experience **Shamanic Journeying** with Evelyn Foster, Linde Laing & Mary Murray and I hope you'll come, too!
3. **UUCE's Annual Church Picnic** is at Lamoine Beach is on Sunday, August 7th from 1-4pm—bring your swimsuit if you dare and a dish to share!
4. It will be fun to be at our annual **Ferry Beach Church Retreat** with some of you and with colleagues from our Belfast UU Church, too, during the 3rd week of August, Tuesday, 8/23 – Friday, 8/26!

Coming back from a wonderful two-week vacation, I am excited to be thinking about the church year ahead! Throughout August, I'll be meeting with many people, including UUCE's Board of Trustees and other ministry leaders, to delve into dreaming and planning for the church year ahead!

What, I wonder, are you longing for again in your experience of congregational life at UUCE? What kind of Adult Education or Spiritual Deepening Programming do you want to participate in? What ideas or imagination do you have for a church-wide, multigenerational service project that we might dream up and do together this year? What would make church more nourishing for you at this time?

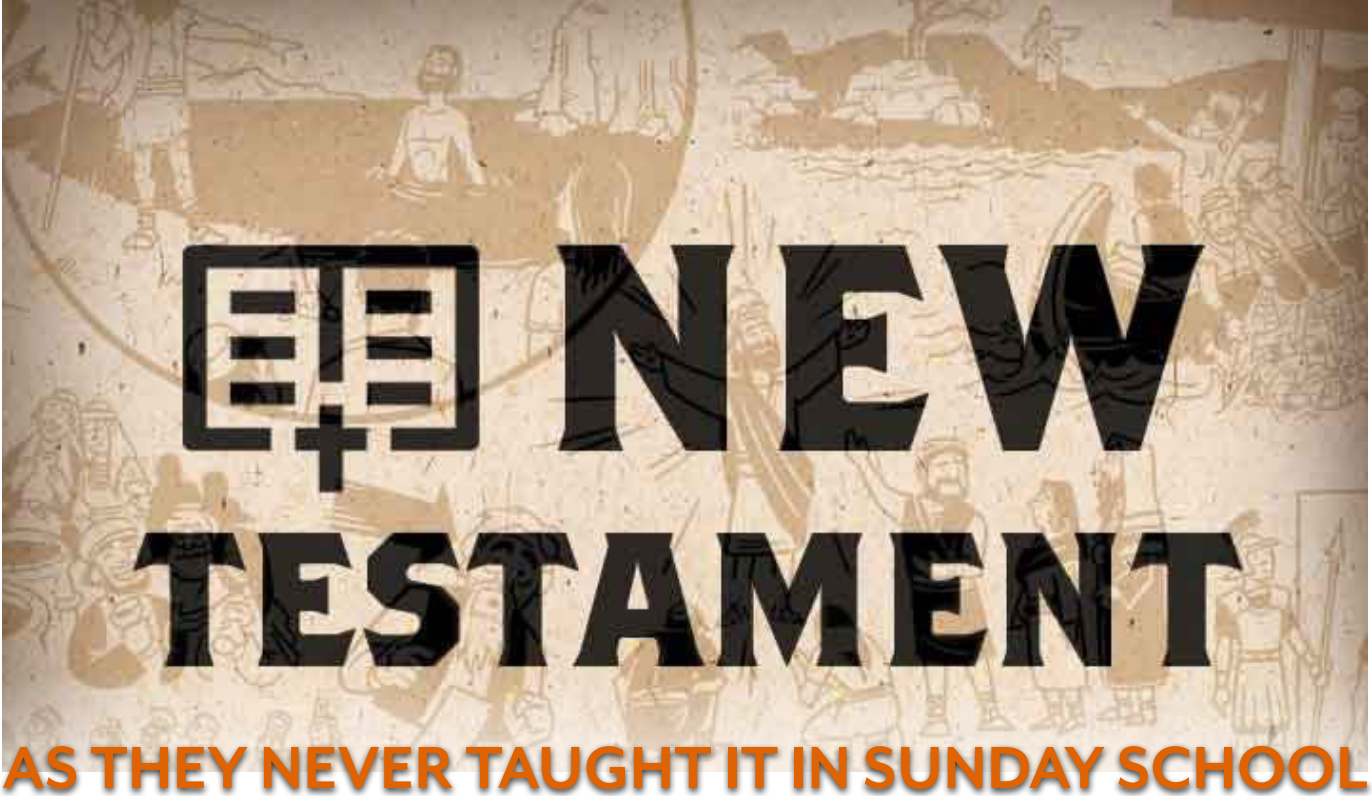
These are just a few of the questions I'm sitting with and reflecting on. Please know I welcome (and want!) your input, imagination and ideas! Please reach out via email, phone or text if you'd like to have a conversation: sara@uuellsworth.org or cell/text: 207-610-2872.

I hope you are well and I'm grateful you're a part of our UUCE Community!

Yours, in shared ministry,

Rev. Sara





NEW TESTAMENT

AS THEY NEVER TAUGHT IT IN SUNDAY SCHOOL

AN ADULT EDUCATION CLASS LED BY MARK WORTH

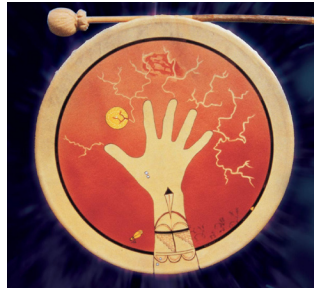
Who can attend? Anyone.

When? Six Wednesdays starting Wednesday **August 3**, from 10:00 a.m. to 11:30 a.m., with the final class on **Wed. Sept 7**.

What is it? Mark will be presenting what is taught in seminaries, but is rarely taught in any church.

What can we actually know about the historical Jesus? Who wrote the New Testament? Do we have any eyewitness accounts? Do any Bible accounts of Jesus conflict with others? What did Jesus teach? What parts of the New Testament are probably forgeries? How did Judas manage to die twice? What was the role of women in early Christianity? How did the human Jesus become the divine Christ? What the heck is the Book of Revelation about?

You are welcome to join us!



SHAMANIC JOURNEY

**AUGUST 3 5:15-6:30
OUTDOOR SANCTUARY**

Experience the spiritual practice of shamanic journeys for healing, support, and inspiration accompanied by drumming. We will gather at 5:15 and begin at 5:30. Bring a frame drum if you would like to join in the drumming, but you can journey without a drum. Bring a stone, flower, shell or other natural object from your home to place on the altar. Evelyn Foster, Linda Laing and Mary Murray will lead this event. Contact Mary marydmurray@comcast.net 239-699-0150 for more information. We will meet in the church sanctuary if it rains.



RE SUMMER GREETINGS!

Summer Greetings,

I hope all of you are enjoying your summer and planning on attending our Annual Church Picnic on Sunday, August 7th from 1:00-4:00 pm at Lamoine Beach. Burgers, Hotdogs and all the fixings will be provided. Please bring a dish or beverage to share and your own utensils, plates and cups.

Your Religious Education Committee is meeting and beginning to re-imagine how our offerings might look as we enter into the 30th month of the COVID-19 pandemic. Parents, please look for an email from Linda Uberseder, Religious Education Committee Chair, as we gather information for age appropriate faith formation offerings. We are always looking for volunteer guides, mentors and nursery care workers. If you would like to volunteer please contact me.

I will be on vacation from August 19-28th. I will be camping August 19-22nd with limited cell phone and internet reception. From August 22-27th I will be at Ferry Beach for our Multi-Church Retreat, arriving 1 day before the retreat and staying an additional day after the retreat. I can be reached by text during my time at Ferry Beach.

August Religious Education Calendar

Sunday, August 7th: In-person summer activity with Anne during Multi-Platform Worship Service: Church Picnic at Lamoine Beach from 1:00-4:00 pm

Sunday, August 14th: In-person summer activity with Anne during Multi-Platform Worship Service.

Friday, August 19th: Anne on vacation through August 28.

Sunday, August 21st: In-person summer activity with Linda Uberseder during Multi-Platform Worship Service.

Sunday, August 28th: ZOOM only Worship Service, no RE offerings.

ANNUAL CHURCH PICNIC

AUGUST 7, 1-4 PM

Bring your lawn chairs, sunscreen, bathing suit and a dish to share to Lamoine Beach on August 7th 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.





A NEW SPIRITUAL DEEPENING OFFERING:

SACRED EARTH

A 6-SESSION COURSE FACILITATED BY REV. SARA

(This is a new “UU Wellspring Reads” Curriculum.)

WHEN: Thursday, September 1, 15, 29, October 6, 20 and November 3 from 6-8pm

(In-person or on ZOOM-only yet to be determined based on participant needs)

REGISTRATION REQUIRED by August 21st with an email to the office at uucellsworth@gmail.com. Up to 10 people can participate. A minimum of 7 must be registered for this course to happen.

Participants are asked to make every effort to attend all 6 sessions, and to borrow or purchase these two books: ***Braiding Sweetgrass: Indigenous Wisdom, Scientific Knowledge, and the Teaching of Plants*** by Robin Wall Kimmerer, and ***The Sustainable Soul: Reflections and Practices*** by Rebecca James Hecking.

This “SACRED EARTH” Course Offering spans six, 2-hour sessions. At least a week before each session, you’ll receive an email with reading, reflecting and practicing guidelines to complete prior to the session. Participants are asked to please prioritize these activities to allow the entire group to share the wisdom we experience as we prepare.

During these six sessions, we hope you’ll find time to enjoy and pay attention to your local areas of beauty, and especially those areas that feel less tamed. Perhaps you’ll discover a pond, a pasture, forest, park, or waterfront where you might encounter wildlife or plants growing wild. Find time to notice, to be surrounded by, and to fully appreciate our interconnectedness with the earth and all living beings. Find a plan that you can watch throughout the six sessions of this program and notice and appreciate it as often as you can.

Once Rev. Sara knows who is interested in participating in this course, a decision will be made about where we will meet, either in person at UUCE or on-ZOOM. Please share your needs and preferences with her if you’d like to participate.

COME FILL MY CUP

Soulful Circle Gatherings



In UUCE's Eileen Brennan Outdoor Sanctuary*

- **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.



In the Gardens

at UUCE



PUPPET PERFORMANCE

Members of our

GREEN SANCTUARY

task force are preparing a street theater piece called Wicked Weather to draw attention to the Maine Climate Action Plan. **They will perform with giant puppet characters from The Wizard of Oz during the Blue Hill Maritime Heritage Festival on August 13.** The shows will be at 11:45 and 2:00. Come enjoy the Festival and an unconventional take on a conventional solution to the Climate crisis.



Are you concerned about attacks on our democracy, the rights of women, LGBTQ, black and indigenous people? The Peace and Social Justice Ministry (PASA) is looking for new members! Join us on **Sunday, August 21** at 1pm for our annual retreat, and help us plan what we can do on a local level to side with love. Contact Barb Acosta for more information 301-906-8378 or drabarb@gmail.com



SUMMERTIME FUN WITH YOUR UUCE COMMUNITY

UUCE Monthly Hikes

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, 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.

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.”


The 8th Principle Journey Task Force looks forward to creating learning and awareness opportunities for our congregation to expand our understanding of and support for antiracism and the dismantling of other oppressions in ourselves and our congregational lives and becoming a more welcoming and diverse community. All of the six people who served on the adoption task force plan to be involved in some way in this new task force and look forward to working with some new people. At this time we are still considering a possible August meeting date. If you are interested in learning more or volunteering in this effort, please contact Jana Robinson, janasmith.robinson@outlook.com.



COMMON GROUND FAIR

UUCE is still looking for a few more volunteers to help out for the Common Ground Fair: Thursday - Sunday, September 22 - September 25 in Unity, Maine.

If you would like to join TEAM EGGROLL by volunteering for this event, please contact Esther (UUCE Egg Roll Booth Volunteer Coordinator): elorp@gmail.com.



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.

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!



Wayne H. Smith
UUCE Historian

FORTY YEARS AGO: REMINISCENCES OF SOCIAL ACTIVITIES IN THE UNITARIAN SOCIETY

A paper by **Mrs. Clara Osgood Hopkins**, read at the fortieth anniversary of the dedication of the Unitarian vestry, Ellsworth, **Dec. 8, 1915**

PART 1

EDITOR'S NOTE – The following paper was not prepared with any kind of publication, being written in lighter vein – a sort of intimate family affair, with the personal touches here and there that might seem out of place when paraded in public. But aside from being of interest to past and present members of the Unitarian society, it will be of interest also to many present and former residents of Ellsworth outside the society. Its real value, however, lies in its historical interest, as showing one circle in the social and religious life of Ellsworth of 40 years ago which has made a lasting impress upon the community, and for this reason deserving of preservation, through the press, for future generations.

As you all know, this paper was prepared a few weeks ago. Even then it was a bit difficult to write in a lighter vein, as the memories crowding thick and fast brought such sad reflections. But before the date fixed upon to read it [November 17, 1915] arrived, death has again struck this little society and overwhelming blow, and removed a tower of strength, a man upon whose calm judgment, unflinching interest, unswerving integrity, we have learned to depend – Mr. Frank S. Lord.

If I have written half humorously, I trust you will not consider it too frivolous. It was not because I have not felt deeply, but it seemed wiser than to indulge in memories that might leave us depressed and sorrowful. One great leader, Edward Everett Hale, told us to “look up, not down, forward, not back, and lend a hand.

I certainly was appalled when THE AMERICAN heralded this as an historical address. It is unworthy such a dignified title. I simply called it “Some Reminiscences of Forty Years Ago.”

On August 3, 1875, a petition was sent to a justice of the peace of Hancock county, expressing the desire of the applicants to become legally incorporated as a social and benevolent society, in accordance with and by virtue of chapter 55 of the revised statutes of Maine. This petition was signed by 12 women of the Unitarian society of Ellsworth. Of the twelve, two are still with us – our dear Miss Elizabeth Jellison and myself.

The justice of the peace to whom the request to issue the warrant was made was Mr. James C. Chilcott. Let us pause a moment in grateful tribute to the memory of the man, whose name is synonymous with integrity, fidelity, honor. He wrote a poem for the Unitarian reading club entitled “Fidelity”, which is typical of the man. He had been describing “the dread typhoon that wrought relentlessly its work of wrath.” All the stately ships from every coast were wrecked save one that

“A ship of war, adorned with ensign fair,
America’s proud flag, her cables’ massive links, Alone
defied the wild tornado’s power. Who wrought those
links the tempest could not rend?
Who the artificer unknown, unpraised, In whom a
deity was wrought in flesh, And dwelt uncrowned his
fellow-men among?”

He closes with these words:

“All knightly rank or badge that royalty could confer
Would meager largess prove, compared with that
Bestowed by Conscience’s well-approving smile.”

The warrant was issued in due form, the petition granted. And where did the ambitious women meet to organize the society that in the future was to accomplish much practical philanthropy and aid in the spiritual uplift of the community? Why, where should they meet but at Mrs. Ann F. Greely’s store?

This store was supposedly for the display of the latest Paris millinery and the finest dress goods and trimmings ever brought to town. As a matter of fact, it was the rendezvous, for more than a generation, for affairs social, political and religious – verily, and “emporium of wit and wisdom”.

That incomparable paper, prepared and read by Miss Greely on the occasion of the celebration of the 50th anniversary of our church, was worthy the unstinted praise it received. To my mind there could be but one criticism. Miss Greely passed lightly over her mother’s unsparing efforts; modesty forbade dwelling on the work of one so near.

I suffer not that handicap, and it gives me rare pleasure to speak of some of the things deep in my heart. I came under Mrs. Greely’s beneficent influence as a very young child, for she was our nearest neighbor. All my life has been more or less closely



The First Unitarian Society of Ellsworth before the vestry was added

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associated with her, and appreciation has grown, as the years have passed, of her fine, strong personality. She was one of the three women who sent the letter to Dr. Charles Carroll Everett asking that a Unitarian minister might be sent here, as our town was almost absolutely ignorant of the liberal religious thought that was permeating New England.

As you know, Mr. Savary came in response to that letter. Long afterward he wrote a poem on the “Planting of the Church”. In part he said:

I answered Dr. Everett's word,	To see what sort of golden grain
Go, carry Truth and Light	I into sheaves might bind.
To Ellsworth's borders; meet this call	I brought my three-years' wedded wife,
Of Reason, Progress, Right.	My first-born little son –
I went with missionary faith	We drove from Bangor in a chaise,
To signs of promise find;	And thus was life begun.

This was ten years before the building of the vestry. Please pardon the digression, it seemed worthwhile to repeat this bit of church history to indelibly impress upon your minds the names of those three women – Miss Fannie Otis, Miss Kate Dyer, Mrs. Ann F. Greely. Never forget them!

On Sept. 3, 1875 all the women met at the store and organized under the name of “The Unitarian Social and Benevolent Society,” and elected for officers: President, Mrs. Ann F. Greely; vice-presidents, Mrs. George A. Dyer and Miss Flora E. Osgood; clerk and treasurer, Mrs. Abbie L. Wiggin.

The first vote recorded was “that the society raise money to pay for the raising of the Unitarian church and the putting a vestry under the same”.

A building committee of women was appointed, with Mrs. John D. Hopkins as chairman, and an associate committee of men, with Mr. Robert Cole, as chairman. A committee to solicit money, labor or material was next appointed. It was voted “to hire \$1000 for above purpose”, also to “hold a fair the second week in December” – good bit of work accomplished for a first meeting.

Sept. 15, the following constitution was adopted:

We, the undersigned, members of the Unitarian Social and Benevolent Society of Ellsworth, do hereby pledge ourselves to work in harmony and love for whatever we deem good and worthy our aid; that the Unitarian church and society shall have the first and highest claim upon our labors, and after that our work shall be devoted to the interests of the unfortunate. We pledge ourselves to bring to the notice of this society any work which we think needful or desirable, thereby making our society a means of helping others and bringing blessings to ourselves, and to this end we cheerfully submit to all orders of the society.

The by-laws stated the usual duties of officers, annual fees and so forth. Section 8 reads: “All conversation approaching in any degree scandal or gossip is emphatically forbidden, and any person indulging in the same may be called to order by the president.” This seemed worthy of our

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attention as it was a law that never was violated; “What, never? Well – hardly ever.” One hundred and twenty-two names were subscribed to this Constitution.

The years have wrought the inevitable changes.

“It singeth low in every heart,
We hear it each and all,
The song of those who answer not
However we may call.

They throng the silence of the breast,
We see them as of yore,
The kind the brave, the true, the sweet,
Who walk with us no more.”
-- *John White Chadwick.*

In such reminiscences as this we naturally refer to “our saints who from their labors rest”, but it does not necessarily sadden or sober us. When all alone I often find myself smiling, even laughing outright, at some of the visions of committee meetings and jolly evening gatherings for extra work. At Christmas time my father perhaps would have an elaborate design for decorating the church that would demand work for the evenings for two weeks.

We experienced many ludicrous situations, exciting crises, especially that last rehearsal that is proverbially the worst; but somehow these matters always straightened themselves. These pioneers were of buoyant spirits. Believing they were bearers of a message of good tidings, they cheerfully forged ahead, apparently thriving on opposition.

It required some courage to be a Unitarian in those days, as in the early ‘60’s Boston, that centre of intellectual life and home of that brilliant galaxy of authors and poets, whom we proudly claim as Unitarians, seemed much farther away than at the present time, when we have railroad and telephone connection, and unlimited telegraph service, not to mention automobiles.

These were the days of the old stage coach, which with four horses climbed the hills and ploughed through the mud to Bangor, sometimes occupying six, sometimes twelve hours, in one trip; the day when the mills on both sides of the river were running day and night, and a steady procession of heavy teams rattled down State and Water streets from 5 in the morning to 5 at night; when the wharves were piled high with lumber, and the vessels merrily plied their trade.

Days, too, it must be confessed, when there were no electric lights, and we had never dreamed of crushed-rock roads and concrete crossings. At certain seasons the mud in post office square was knee-deep, nice and black, and of the delicious consistency of porridge; days when a man meeting a lady crossing, gallantly stepped aside into a mud hole, but if two ladies met on the crossing to Coombs’ store, they afforded the corner loafers much amusement speculating as to which would yield.

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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

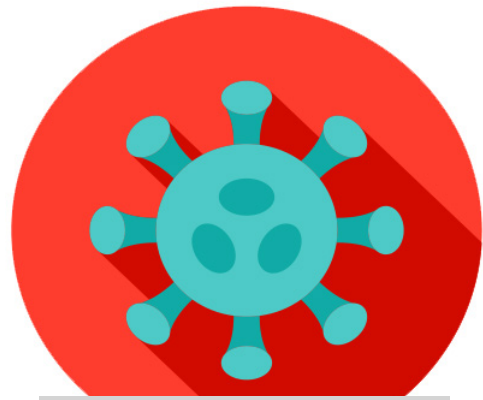
UUCE OFFICE

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.

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 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. If possible, please give us several days notice to schedule these ZOOM meetings.



COVID-19 TASK FORCE

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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.

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Trustee: Sally Gervais to 2022	Moderator: John Fink

COMMITTEE AND TASK FORCE CHAIRS

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