

# CHALICE & CHIMES

THE MONTHLY NEWSLETTER OF UUSB

MAY 2020

## THIS MONTH IN WORSHIP

During May, our services will be held remotely via Zoom. Please follow the weekly E-News and UUSB Facebook group for login information for each service, which will have a unique login code.

Our theme this month is "Thresholds."

*May 3 - Living at the Threshold of Uncertainty* - How do we continue living at the threshold of uncertainty caused by the COVID-19 virus, without clarity of what will come next? Rev. Drew will lead us in reflection and meditation, as we sit in these liminal times. This service will be led by Rev. Drew, with Phyllis Havens as our worship associate, and music provided by Molly Webster and Jessica Mehre.

*May 10 - Mother's Day* - Rev. Drew will focus on offering gratitude to the women in our lives who raised us and honoring the leadership of our community. This service will be led by Rev. Drew, with John Arimond as our worship associate, and music provided by Molly Webster and Jessica Mehre.

*May 17 - R.E. Sunday* - We will hear from our young people and their teachers about their adventures this year in our RE Program. Music will include special performances from several of our UUSB youth and we will be holding our annual bridging ceremony for our UUSB Seniors. This service will be led by Rev. Drew and RE Director, Karen Childs.

*May 24 - In Memorial* - We will focus on living with loss and remembering loved ones. This service will be led by Phyllis Havens, our worship associate, with music provided by Molly Webster and Jessica Mehre.

*May 31 - Animal Spirits, Animal Rights: Our Relationship with All Sentient Beings* - This service will be led by Tracey Haskell and Jean Adamson, with Laurie Cartier as our worship associate.

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Four years ago, on May 1, I remember preaching my second sermon at UUSB. I will never forget that day because after the service, I was escorted downstairs to the minister's office, where I sat and waited for the congregation to hold a meeting and vote on whether to call me as your next settled minister. It was a liminal time. I waited at that threshold, about to pass through, to the very first settled ministry of my career.

That Sunday was also the Gaelic holiday of Beltane. It seemed so appropriate to me that the end of my candidating week should fall on such an auspicious day. For the ancients, Beltane was a threshold that marked the transition from winter into summer. For me, the winter symbolized the hard work of finishing seminary, my credentialing process, and saying goodbye to the congregation in Laconia, NH. For me, summer was entering into my first full time call as a settled minister.

Here we are, four years later, standing at another threshold: a new way of living, caused by the Coronavirus pandemic. This pandemic has pushed us into a new normal, full of uncertainty and isolation. The change was abrupt. Seemingly overnight, we transitioned from being together, in-person, every week to meeting online, together and apart at the same time.

It's interesting to reflect on the similarities and differences of these experiences. They feel so different, yet they are, in some ways, the same. When I accepted the call to become your settled minister, it was exciting, joyous, quick, and happy. The onslaught of the Coronavirus has been less joyful, slow, and not exactly pleasant. But, both are defined, at least in part, by uncertainty. The transition into our ministry together was easy and natural, like an uncomplicated birth. The transition into the Coronavirus world feels complicated and sticky, like a breached or extended labor, with no end in sight.

Today, we continue to find ways to connect with each other, through the practice of our faith. We've just moved online, instead of meeting in person. Still, we are present to each other in our joys and sorrows and our quest to find meaning. We continue asking questions and being on the journey together. The scenery is different, but our faith, our values, and our love of freedom, inclusion, and diversity have not waned.

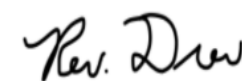
Even as we feel "stuck" between the world that was and the world that now is, we are finding ways to move forward - maybe only in small steps, but they are meaningful steps. Our journey may have slowed and the path may look different, but our love and commitment to each other remains the same. As we live through this time in limbo, may we continue to focus on what we *do* have and appreciate it even more. And, may we trust in the process of the universe and the spring unfolding.

Things will change. Summer will come. A vaccine for Coronavirus will come in its own time and season. The challenge for us, as spiritual people, is to be patient, let it unfold as it will, do our best to be safe, and care for others as best we can.

In the meantime, let us enter into May with hope and gratitude. It is a busy month, with our annual meeting and the winding down of our program year. We celebrate the many people in our community who have stepped up to help lead our congregation through these unsettled times. We are all grateful and blessed to have you in our midst.

May peace, kindness, compassion, and health be with you on this journey forward together into the slow-moving unknown.

Blessed be, Amen!



Rev. Drew

## Minister's Schedule - April 2020

Rev. Drew along with other UUSB staff will be working from home, until social distancing measures are withdrawn. He will be reachable during his normal hours, either online or by phone.

Mon - Minister's Sabbath Day (day off)

Tues - 10 AM to 1 PM - Office hours (ONLINE or by PHONE)  
2 to 4 PM - by Apt.

Wed - 10 AM to 1 PM - Office hours (ONLINE or by PHONE)  
2 to 4 PM - by Apt.

Thurs - Sermon Writing / Worship Planning Day  
(not taking calls or answering emails)

Friday - 10 AM to 1 PM - Office hours (ONLINE or by PHONE)  
2 to 4 PM - by Apt.

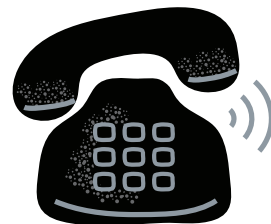
Saturdays - By appointment (ONLINE or by PHONE)

Sundays - (afternoon / evenings by appointment) (ONLINE or by PHONE)

Note: This month Rev. Drew's weekend off will be May 22-24 and May 30-31.

Rev. Drew has a new local line for church business!

You can reach him at **(207) 922-2956**



## MAINE UU SOCIAL ADVOCACY NETWORK

MUUSAN is moving to a virtual organizing platform to support our Maine UU Congregations as we tackle the critical community voter education, outreach and registration actions that are possible during and through the COVID-19 pandemic.

**You must register ahead, to join our Zoom MUUSAN Network Meeting on May 9th from 10-11:30 am.** Visit the MUUSAN website to find the link.

Special Guest Speakers will frame what's at stake nationally and what's at stake in Maine for the 2020 Elections:

- Susan Leslie, Congregational Advocacy & Witness Director and UUA Organizing Strategy Team
- Nicole Pressley, UUtheVote National Organizer
- Evan Tess Murray, Education & Engagement Projects Manager, Maine League of Women Voters, and the Democracy Project

MUUSAN is ready to identify and leverage the resources, opportunities, and needs that the current electoral cycle offers us to fight for our values, counter voter suppression, expand democracy, and engage in spiritually grounded, values-based issue conversations with other voters in our own communities.

We are all stronger together than apart. Please join us on May 9th. Remember that you need to register in advance.

**MUUSAN is now hiring a new Administrative Coordinator.** The position is 20 hours per week, year round. If you are interested, please visit the MUUSAN website for full job description and information on how to apply. <https://www.muusan.org/job-description.html>



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### Building Closed

Due to the COVID-19 pandemic and CDC recommendations, the UUSB building is closed until future notice. All staff are working from home.

### Best Office Contact

The easiest and quickest way to reach the office is by email. I am checking the voicemail a few times a day, but it is not the quickest way to reach me.

### Primary Communication

Please keep an eye out for your weekly e-news and on both the UUSB Facebook page and UUSB Community Group. These are our primary methods to communicate at this time. Please check these first, if you need any info.

### Publications

I am attempting to keep publications as consistent as possible, but with as much chaos as we are all experiencing, please forgive any late *Chalice & Chimes* issues or e-news emails.

### "Office" Closed May 19-22

I will be taking a week-long vacation starting at 2:00 PM on Friday, May 15. When I return from vacation, I will be working on and putting out the final issue of the *Chalice & Chimes* for the 2019-20 church year.

## MAY DEADLINES

CHALICE & CHIMES (MAY ED.)  
WEDNESDAY 5/20 - SOFT DEADLINE  
MONDAY 5/25 - HARD DEADLINE

E-NEWS (WEEKLY)  
THURSDAYS AT 10:00AM  
COMMITTEE NOTES FOR COUNCIL  
WEDNESDAY, 5/13

## "OFFICE" HOURS

BY PHONE OR EMAIL  
TUESDAY-FRIDAY, 10-2  
OTHER TIMES AVAILABLE BY  
APPOINTMENT.



# COUNCIL CRIER

BY WILL SEAVEY, COUNCIL CLERK

April 2020. We are living in a time of history being written every day. Our friends and families will remember the pandemic of 2020 for the rest of their lives. Our children will remember going to school from home, hanging out with their family, and (probably) watching more TV/video games than their parents would ever normally allow. Please forgive the length of this update, this has been an unprecedented time for the Society and council.

How we respond to this challenging time is what will be remembered. At the UUSB council we have spent a lot of time on how we respond and how we can help lead the community through this time. We have a strong community that has had 90+ people logging into online services for the past month, committees still meeting, and a Coffee House that has people joining from all over the country. The council is honored to serve this community.

The council this month did a lot of planning for the Annual Meeting. Our bylaws, in section 6.1.A state that "The Annual Meeting of the Society shall be held in May of each year at the Church, 120 Park Street, Bangor, Maine, with the time specified in the notice as directed by Council." In order to hold an annual meeting and also stay within the Stay-at-home order, this section of the bylaws needs to be amended. The Clerk and the Council, hereby announce a Special Meeting on May 17th, 2020 for the purpose of amending article 6.1.A in the bylaws.

Proposed amendment, underlined:

## 6.1 Meetings

A. The Annual Meeting of the Society shall be held in May of each year at the Church, 120 Park Street, Bangor, Maine, EXCEPT WHERE required by, an event or effect that cannot be reasonably anticipated or controlled (force majeure), the meetings of the society may be convened at a location other than the Church or by any other means available to secure the required quorum. Such means may include electronically convened meetings, with the time specified in the notice as directed by council.


The Special Meeting will be immediately prior to the proposed Annual Meeting, after Worship Service on **May 17th, 2020**. Details on a link and Zoom information will be sent out soon.

The council has also been working closely with the Stewardship committee for both the 2019-2020 and 2020-2021 church year. In this challenging time, we need to come together as a community to continue services offered by the society. Activities that require continued financial support include, but are not limited to, the bean supper, staff payroll, utilities, and music services.

Finally, a few announcements:

- The UUSB applied for a Small Business Payroll protection loan. This loan has not yet been awarded and the fund is depleted. We do not know if we will receive this loan. Our financial position does not depend on receiving this loan.
- Council members for the 2021 year are needed. Please contact the Nominating Committee chair Glen Koehler [glen.koehler@maine.edu](mailto:glen.koehler@maine.edu) or any member of council.
- Committee chairs, please submit annual reports to Christine Sprague, office administrator ([uubangor@gmail.com](mailto:uubangor@gmail.com)) as soon as possible, if not already done

Thank you all for your contributions, effort, passion, and dedication to the UUSB. It is a pleasure to serve this amazing community.

A close-up of a calculator's keypad, showing various mathematical function buttons like division, multiplication, and addition, along with numeric keys.

# TREASURER'S REPORT

BY ROSEMARY PARSONS

TREASURER'S REPORT FOR MONTH OF **March** written in April.

March covers 75% of the year.

Income for the month of March was \$15,027. Expenses were \$17,384 leaving a balance of (\$2,357) for the month. The net income for the 9 months ending 3/31/20 is \$5,656.

Income in March, including pledges, was \$5,191. We need an average monthly pledge income of \$9,143 to stay on track. Our 9-month total to \$91,406 which is 74.5% of the budget. Pledgers are sending in checks and using the VANCO donate option on the church's website; both are great ways to make your pledge payment, while church is in Zoom mode. We had endowment income of \$7,976, which included \$5,172 from the Roberts fund which pays twice a year. The March checking account balance was \$15,162 up slightly from February's \$15,000.

Fuel expenses have been modest. Our bill for 04/15/20 was \$664.83. Last year, the amount was \$1,177.67. The total cost through 3/31/20 is \$7,501 and last year it was \$10,569 for the period. There is \$2,275 unspent.

Rental income through March is \$6,713. Two of our renters, Women with Wings and New Renaissance Singers, have decided to pay their rental fees for the rest of the year, though they are not using the space. It is super to have such generous groups.

I'm looking forward to seeing you at the Annual Meeting that takes place after the service on May 17th. Besides approving the budget for the next year which begins July 1st., we will elect new members to the church council, and the Committee on Shared Ministry among others. Volunteers are needed to get involved in these important groups that work behind the scenes to support Rev. Drew in making UUSB a vibrant positive force in the Greater Bangor community.

In Service,  
Rosemary Parsons



## New Options for Membership

The Membership-Fellowship Committee and Rev. Drew have launched new options for Friends and Visitors who want to consider becoming a member of UUSB. Until now, joining has been possible only twice a year, following New to UU classes in the Spring and Fall. Joining is now possible at any time. The new system consists of (1) completing an information request card indicating interest in becoming a member; (2) reading through a Self-Study Guide describing UUism and UUSB; and (3) attending a new Monthly Minister's Tea or a New to UU Class. The Monthly Minister's Teas are on the UUSB's online calendar. **The next Minister's Tea is scheduled for June 14 and will be held online via ZOOM due to COVID-19.** The Information request cards will be available in the Sanctuary and at the Guest Book Table in the Dorothy. They can be dropped in the box at the door to the Sanctuary. Presently, the Church building is closed due to COVID-19. If you are interested in participating in the one of the Minister's Teas or becoming a member, you can email [uubangor@gmail.com](mailto:uubangor@gmail.com).

The Self-Study Guide can be found at [uubangor.org/wp-content/uploads/2019/10/Self-Study-Guide-2019.pdf](http://uubangor.org/wp-content/uploads/2019/10/Self-Study-Guide-2019.pdf).



While the Silent Auction is still on hold until future notice, the Live Auction took place on May 2, via Zoom. It broke every record the Live Auction has ever had. It had the largest attendance, with approximately 49 people participating. It raised the most money ever, coming in at \$6,710. And, it had the most people taking part in the 19 different items, with 34 separate people winning an item or a seat at a dinner. In the past, we have had roughly 34 total attendees and fewer winners.

Thank you all for participating and making this the best UUSB Annual Live Auction that we have ever had!

Keep your ears and eyes open for information on rescheduling the Silent Auction.

## New Membership Signing Sundays

New members will continue to be introduced to the congregation at our semi-annual Membership Signing Sundays. The next Membership Signing Sunday is scheduled for November. We can also quickly reactivate the membership of a past UUSB member or initiate a new membership for a member of another UU congregation who wants to join UUSB.

## New to UU Classes

The Membership-Fellowship Committee will continue to hold its semi-annual New to UU Classes in the Dorothy Memorial Hall. Whether you are interested in becoming a member, just curious about UUism, or want a refresher, these classes are for all interested parties. A sign-up sheet will be posted on the bulletin board in the Dorothy Memorial Hall. Child care will be available if needed. Please let us know in advance.

## Monthly Tea with Reverend Drew

Rev. Drew will be holding a monthly tea that will provide opportunities for informal conversation/questions and answers for UUSB members, friends, and visitors. Attending one of these teas meets one of the requirements for those wishing to become a UUSB member. The next Monthly Tea has been scheduled for June 14 and will be held online via ZOOM due to COVID-19. There will be a limit of ten people per tea.





# SHARE THE PLATE



## This Month

In May, half of the undesignated funds in the plate will go to Partners for Peace, as voted on by the congregation last Fall.



Partners for Peace works to end domestic violence in Penobscot and Piscataquis Counties. They provide support, advocacy, and safety planning to anyone affected by domestic abuse. They foster safe and healthy relationships through prevention, education, and training. Together with our community, they recognize the nature of abuse, respond to it, and change the conditions which lead to it.

You can give to the collection plate through the UUSB website and Vanco or by mailing a check to the church office.



## Last Month

In April, we shared half of our undesignated donations with Faith Linking in Action. Even with all services being online, we were able to give **\$276** to FLIA!

Faith Linking in Action is part of Food AND Medicine, as a way to incorporate Bangor area faith groups to "go upstream" to address the reasons people are falling and getting stuck in poverty. By embracing faith-based community organizing, FLIA is able to build power through deep community relationships; support ordinary people, including those in poverty, to become community leaders; and research the root causes of problems to engage with decision-makers to solve issues in our region.

## Mid Maine YoUUh

BY REV. ANDREW MOELLER

### Mid Maine YoUUh Group

Next Meeting:

May 17

3:30 - 5:30 PM

via Zoom

The Mid Maine YoUUh will continue to meet via Zoom, with the next meeting on May 17, from 3:30 to 5:30 PM. In addition, we are hoping to be able to gather in July to bring closure to this year's program.

The Mid Maine YoUUh Trip to Guatemala this summer has been canceled by the host organization Safe Passages. A letter will be going out to all who have donated to this year's trip giving people the option to leave their donations in our trip fund or request a refund if they need the money back. Check your mail for details.



# Religious Education News

KAREN CHILDS

"We have gone through so many changes and had to work within so many new guidelines [. . .] It can be hard to differentiate the edge of one thing, and the beginning of another."



The *Soul Matters* theme for May is **Thresholds**. And here we are, edging up on the end of the church year, about to spring into the beginning of the summer season, all the while cresting the slippery slope of figuring out what the heck our new normal is going to look like. We have gone through so many changes and had to work within so many new guidelines over the past 6-8 weeks, and it seems to change every day. It can be hard to differentiate the edge of one thing, and the beginning of another.

As we move into May, let us go into it with very little expectation, and much imagination, as we as a people begin this new chapter on how to be together, how to build safe and fulfilling communities, and how to take more intentional care of each other.

This month, we will explore Thresholds with games, conversations, and new ways of enjoying time with our families. I've mailed out a hardcopy of *Soulful Home* to many of our families with younger children.

If you'd like to be on the mailing list to receive the whole packet, please send me an email at [uubangorre@gmail.com](mailto:uubangorre@gmail.com). (And, if you'd rather not receive a copy, please let me know.) To start us off this month, below you will find a snippet of *Soulful Home* - an online Treasure Hunt using Virtual Thresholds. See the next page for all details.

In comm-UU-nity,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Karen Childs". The signature is stylized and fluid.

Karen Childs, DRE

LOOK FOR YOUR RE NEWS FOR INFO ON  
HOW TO BRING RE INTO YOUR OWN HOME



# Around the Neighborhood

**Around the Neighborhood** activities engage families with their surroundings through the lens of the monthly theme. It's about perceiving your well-known world in new ways. This month, we're adventuring from the safety of our own homes, going farther than we ever could before!



## A Treasure Hunt Using Virtual Thresholds

This month, we are opening a new window to the world outside and adopting the global “neighborhood” as our treasure-hunting grounds! Below you'll find a selection of some of the Internet's best live cams. Below each website, we've listed a few things we think have a good chance of showing up if you're tuning in during daylight hours in the late spring/early summer.

*Note that we've included real live stream videos here, not highlight reels, even though there may not be action every time you sign on. Inaction offers opportunities to talk about how all creatures experience their lives in cycles: rest, work/play, feeding, digesting, etc., and when we get a glimpse into another being's life, we only get a tiny sense of what it's like to be that other creature, human or animal.*

### **Bird Watching HQ's backyard bird cam, from Northeast Ohio, USA:**

<https://birdwatchinghq.com/live-bird-cams/#akronfeeder>

See if you can spot: doves, cardinals, goldfinches, and a woodpecker

Note: Need some help IDing common feeder birds? Check out this post from the Audubon Society.

### **The Miami Zoo's Meerkat enclosure, Miami, Florida, USA:**

<https://www.zoomiami.org/animals#item=429890>

See if you can find a meerkat looking up, scurrying, digging, and climbing.

Note: You can click on the image to zoom in and out.

### **The Monterey Bay Aquarium's Coral Reef habitat, Monterey, California, USA:**

<https://www.montereybayaquarium.org/animals/live-cams/coral-reef-cam/>

Can you find a bright pink fish? A bright orange fish? A fish with a yellow stripe? As a challenge, you might try and learn some names of Pacific coral reef fish here.

And, the Monterey Bay Aquarium has several webcams including penguins, otters, and jellyfish! Have fun exploring!

### **Tiny Kittens HQ, British Columbia, Canada:**

[https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Q\\_7wiz\\_IURg](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Q_7wiz_IURg)

This livestream is operated by a nonprofit that is attempting to bring more compassionate practices into trap-neuter-release operations for feral cats. All the kittens featured on this livestream are up for adoption (near Langley, British Columbia). Can you find a sleeping kitten? A playful kitten? A kitten who might be hungry?

### **Africam, Balule & Ndlovumzi Nature Reserves & other South African locations:**

<https://www.africam.com/wildlife/live-african-wildlife-safari-channels/>

Can you spot a lion? An elephant? A hyena? A leopard? A porcupine? A crocodile?

Note: South Africa is six hours ahead of Eastern Standard Time in North America.

# SOCIAL JUSTICE IN ACTION

## Democracy Task Force

by Jean Adamson

The Poor People's Campaign **will not** proceed with a physical mass march in Washington, D.C. on June 20 of this year, due to the possible impact of the coronavirus in such a large setting. However, the entire movement and march are going digital! They will hold "the largest (online) social media gathering of poor and low-wealth people and people of conscience in this nation's history." To follow ongoing events or obtain further information, go to [info@poorpeoplescampaign.org](mailto:info@poorpeoplescampaign.org). If you are interested in joining a PPC National Phone Bank to make calls encouraging folks to attend the online conference, please contact Adam Thiesen at [athiesen9@gmail.com](mailto:athiesen9@gmail.com).

Also, we can continue our efforts to UU the Vote in spite of the pandemic. We may not continue with events like canvassing, but we can still partner with others for activities like phone banking. Google "50 Ways You Can UU the Vote." Another great resource is MUUSAN's partner, the League of Women Voters of Maine at [info@lwvme.org](mailto:info@lwvme.org).

**It's official! Election Day has moved from June 9 to July 14.** Maine voters will vote to nominate party candidates for the offices of U.S. Senate, U.S. Congress, Maine State Senate, and Maine State House. You must be enrolled in a political party to vote in that party's primary election. Our job is to encourage absentee voting to keep voters low at the polls to allow for social distancing. On April 10, Governor Mills issued an executive order allowing for absentee ballot applications up to and including Election Day. You can request an absentee ballot by phone, by mail, or in person at your Town Office. You can also request an absentee ballot online at <http://www.maine.gov/cgi-bin/online/AbsenteeBallot/index.pl>.



## Ongoing Church Fundraiser - Hannaford Grocery Cards

Ongoing Church Fundraiser - Hannaford Grocery Cards are still being sold! Convenient to carry! Every card purchase helps UUSB!! Cards are available in increments of \$25, \$50 or \$100. Just email or call to set up pick-up or delivery. Cash, or checks made out to UUSB are accepted. Buy cards for your own grocery shopping, or buy cards for gifts, or even donate a card to a local food bank.

Tim & Judy Martin: 942-2696, [jamandtj@myfairpoint.net](mailto:jamandtj@myfairpoint.net) 10 Highland Ct off Union St. OR delivery ANYWHERE.

Rosemary Parsons: 327-1045, [roxemary@gmail.com](mailto:roxemary@gmail.com). Delivering in the Orono/Old Town/Hudson area.

# UPCOMING EVENTS

The Who, What,  
Where, & When to  
find UU online

## HOSTED BY UUSB WEEKLY

Sundays @10:00 AM

### **Worship Service**

Join us weekly on Zoom. Find the link, meeting ID, and password in the weekly e-news.

Tuesdays @7:15 PM

### **Chalice Side Chat**

Join Rev. Drew on Zoom to check in and find support. Find the link, meeting ID, and password in the weekly e-news.

Thursdays @6:00 PM

### **Choir**

Join the choir for a weekly check in with our musical community. Contact Molly Webster for the meeting information.

Thursdays @7:15 PM

### **LiveStream Open Mic**

Join our virtual CoffeeHouse | Open Mic on Zoom and share in the musical talents of our community. Find the link, meeting ID, and password in the weekly e-news.

## HOSTED BY OTHER UU GROUPS WEEKLY

Sundays @8:00 PM

### **Church of the Larger Fellowship (CLF) Online Worship**

Join CLF for a weekly worship service on Zoom. CLF is the largest UU congregation, exclusively meeting online. Check the e-news for the registration link weekly.

Thursdays @11:00 AM

### **The VUU by CLF**

A live Unitarian Universalist talk show discussing today's topics from an anti-racist, anti-oppressive, and multicultural perspective. Visit their Youtube page or check the weekly e-news for the newest link.

## SPECIAL MEETINGS & SERVICES

Saturday, May 9 @10:00 AM

### **MUUSAN Virtual Network Meeting**

Join MUUSAN's first virtual meeting and learn how we can keep working for social justice during the pandemic.

Sunday, May @12:00 PM

### **Ringin' Bells & Feeding Souls**

Join us on Mother's Day, as Rissa Moore plays UUSB's historic bells and we collect food for the Ecumenical Food Cupboard.

Sunday, May 17 @11:15 AM

### **Special Meeting**

Join us to discuss and vote on a change to our bylaws to allow for a quorum and vote via online meetings.

Sunday, May 17 @11:30 AM

### **Annual Meeting**

Join us for the Annual Meeting to discuss the past year, the coming year, as well as voting on the budget and committee member nominations.

Saturday, May 23 @4:00 PM

### **Bean Supper Served**

Our only in-person event this month, the Bean Supper will be served in take-out containers with social distancing precautions taken.

Saturday, May 30 @4:00 PM

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# 5 MAY

## UUSB CALENDAR

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
<p><b>All Meetings &amp; Services are currently being held on Zoom until further notice.</b></p> <p><b>Please subscribe to our newsletter, join the UUSB community group on Facebook, or email <a href="mailto:uubangor@gmail.com">uubangor@gmail.com</a> to get up-to-date info on meetings and services.</b></p>					<b>1</b>	<b>2</b> 7:00 PM Annual Live Auction
<b>3</b> 10:00 AM Service  11:30 AM R.E.A.L.	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b> 10:30 AM Staff Meeting	<b>6</b>	<b>7</b> 6:00 PM Choir  7:15 PM LiveStream Open Mic	<b>8</b> 10:00 AM B&F Cmte	<b>9</b> 10:00 AM MUUSAN Virtual Network Meeting
<b>10</b> 10:00 AM Service  12:00 PM Ringing Bells & Feeding Souls	<b>11</b>	<b>12</b> 10:30 AM Staff Meeting  4:00 PM General Trustees  7:00 PM Chalice Side Chat	<b>13</b> <b>Committee Reports Due</b>  6:00 PM Building & Grounds  6:30 PM Membership- Fellowship	<b>14</b> 6:00 PM Choir  6:30 PM Executive Committee  7:15 PM LiveStream Open Mic	<b>15</b>	<b>16</b>
<b>17</b> 10:00 AM Service  11:15 AM Special Meeting  11:30 AM Annual Meeting	<b>18</b>	<b>19</b> 10:30 AM Staff Meeting  7:00 PM Chalice Side Chat	<b>20</b> <b>C&amp;C Soft Deadline</b> 11:30 AM AUW Guild 2:00 PM Pastoral Care 6:30 PM Council Meeting	<b>21</b> 6:00 PM Choir  7:15 PM LiveStream Open Mic	<b>22</b>	<b>23</b> 10:00 AM Bag Lunch Prep  3:00 PM Bean Supper Prep  4:00 PM Bean Supper
<b>24</b> 10:00 AM Service	<b>25</b> <b>C&amp;C Hard Deadline</b>	<b>26</b> 10:30 AM Staff Meeting  5:30 PM Shared Min.  7:15 PM Chalice Side Chat	<b>27</b> 5:30 PM Worship	<b>28</b> 6:00 PM Choir  7:15 PM LiveStream Open Mic	<b>29</b>	<b>30</b> 10:00 AM Bag Lunch Prep  3:00 PM Bean Supper Prep  4:00 PM Bean Supper



# REMINDERS

## ABOUT US

### Unitarian Universalist Society of Bangor

#### Our Mission Statement

The Unitarian Universalist Society of Bangor is an historically liberal religious community, celebrating diversity and supporting spiritual growth and social responsibility in each child and adult.

#### A Welcoming Congregation

We welcome individuals and families of all religious upbringings, racial and ethnic backgrounds and sexual orientations. We, a member of the Unitarian Universalist Association, covenant to affirm and promote the inherent worth and dignity of every person.

#### A Green Sanctuary

The UU Society of Bangor, recognized as a Green Sanctuary by the Unitarian Universalist Association, endeavors to incorporate care for the Earth into its worship and religious education while working to promote environmental justice and sustainable living. We covenant to affirm and promote respect for the interdependent web of all existence, of which we are a part.



Do you have a **CLYNK** Bag?? Be sure to have one handy, so you can easily be collecting bottles and cans to help raise money for our UU Youths' Social Justice Service Trip. The bags are in the Dorothy Memorial Room. Please see Laura Santilli for details. Thank you for your support!!!

**UUSB is always in need of volunteers** – for fundraisers, childcare, teaching, and to fill positions on our active committees. The great perks of volunteering are not just the satisfaction of contribution, but the sense of community we all feel when we accomplish important tasks with others. Since we don't always know who is able to take part, please contact a council or committee member if you are open to volunteering in any large or small way.

The **UUSB Worship Committee** is looking for more member participation in our worship services and is extending an INVITATION to one and all of you to consider if you might be interested in joining our services as READERS.

#### Collection Plate & Pledge Reminders

One way you can help continue our outreach efforts is to keep up with your financial pledge. Without our weekly passing of the collection plate, we still need to make sure that we can pay our bills. Keeping up with your pledge allows our staff and leadership to focus on providing services to members, friends, and guests. There are three options to make is easy to keep up with your pledge:

1. Mail a check to the church office at 120 Park St, Bangor, ME 04401
2. Contact Rosemary Parsons, our treasurer, to set up a direct withdrawal from your paycheck or bank account
3. Donate online through Vanco. This option will be available on our website, as well as shared in our weekly e-news



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Thank you for your continued support as we all work to provide for our community.



# ABOUT THE *CHALICE & CHIMES*

## Church Council:

Tom Bickford, Chair  
Will Seavey, Clerk  
Rosemary Parsons, Treasurer  
Francis Grey  
Gayle Zydlewski  
Catherine Foxson  
Kate Dutra  
Becky Anderson

Council meets at 6:30 PM  
on the third Wednesday  
of each month.



## Keep in Touch with UUSB!

**Are you moving?  
Going through a change?  
Just updating your contact info?**  
**Let us know, so we can keep in  
touch!**

**If you have a change in your address,  
phone number, email, or even name,  
contact a member of Membership-  
Fellowship or the church office with the  
new information.**



## About Our Newsletter

The *Chalice and Chimes* is published ten times a year (Sept-June). The hard deadline for submissions is the 25th day of each month. Please notify the office of your intent to contribute by the 20th of each month, on the soft deadline. Contributions are solicited and should be sent to the Administrator/Editor at the church office. An email reminder is sent out to all member and friends on the church's database mailing list when the newsletter has been posted to the church website, where it may be viewed or down-loaded. It is also available in paper format on the table by the sanctuary entrance and by US mail (request from the Church Office).

## Editorial Policy

Articles submitted for publication in the Chalice & Chimes must strive to include, in an unbiased way, only that information that is consistent with the UU faith. Articles should deal with issues of a spiritual nature meant to inspire, encourage, educate, or inform. Although every effort will be made to be inclusive, the Editor reserves the right to determine which articles are accepted for publication. The Editor has the right to edit for space, availability, libelous remarks, or unwarranted personal attacks. The Editor also reserves the right to refuse any item that may affect our Tax Exempt Status.



## Newsletter Submissions Next Newsletter Deadline: May 25, 2020

The next issue will be June 2020.  
We value your contributions and very much  
appreciate submissions. When sending email  
contributions to The *Chalice and Chimes*:  
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