

CHALICE & CHIMES

THE MONTHLY NEWSLETTER OF UUSB

JUNE 2021

THIS MONTH IN WORSHIP

During June, 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 "**Play.**"

June 6 - *Coming of Age Worship* - Join this morning as we celebrate Flower Communion and our four Coming of Age (COA) participants Lilie Sites, Simon Socolow, Zachary Spreng, and Franny Wilson share their credo statements with congregation. In addition our mentors will also offer a brief reflection on their work with our COA participants. On June 5, people are encouraged to drop off flowers to be used in our annual flower communion, please keep an eye out for the drop-off window. After the service, people are invited and encouraged to stop by UUSB and pick up a flower that was blessed and consecrated in the service. Flowers will be available for pick up between 11:15 and 12:15. This service will be led by Rev. Drew Moeller, with Vyvyenne Ritchie as our worship associate, Jennifer Rodriguez as our Zoom tech, and music provided by Molly J. Webster and Sojourner Hodges-Crowley.

June 13 - *Question Box Service* - Do you have questions about Unitarian Universalism, spirituality, or ministry that you like answered by a UU minister? Then this service is for you. Please send questions to Rev. Drew in advance via email (with "QBS" in the memo line) or written note mailed to Drew's home address. Questions received by June 10 will receive priority in the service. Other questions will be taken via Zoom Chat during the service - time permitting. This service will be led by Rev. Drew Moeller, with Phyllis Havens as our worship associate, Jennifer Rodriguez as our Zoom tech, and music provided by Molly J. Webster and Sojourner Hodges-Crowley.

June 20 - *Welcoming the Summer Solstice* - This service will be led by Laurie Cartier and Rev. Drew Moeller, with Jennifer Rodriguez as our Zoom tech, and music provided by Molly J. Webster and Sojourner Hodges-Crowley.

June 27 - *General Assembly Worship* - Today's service will be streamed from the UUA's General Assembly. Join us as we worship with UU's all over North America in the largest annual gathering of Unitarian Universalists in the world. Login information for this service will be forthcoming. Currently, the UUA is saying that they will be sending the login information for this service on June 26. Check your E-News for more information.

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When we think of leading the spiritual life, we think of thoughtful actions and practices that require concentration and effort. Yet perhaps one of the most important spiritual endeavors is creating time for play - engaging in activity sheerly for enjoyment and recreation. As we wind down for a very full and emotional year, I think fitting our last spiritual theme for the program year should be "PLAY."

As a minister, I know that I often ignore this aspect of spiritual and mental well-being. There is soooo much that always needs doing and so little time! As I reflect on my relationship with play, I know that I tend to discount play and make it the least of my priorities. I get caught up in keeping up with things and or trying to get ahead.

I usually think of creating "Play Time" during vacation or save up time to do something special. The reality is that this usually is not enough. We all need regular playtime to let our brains rest and allow us to fully appreciate the moment and the miracles that come from being alive, even amid life's chaos. Be it playing in the

garden, exploring, sitting down and playing a game, or doing a puzzle - playing is essential to our spiritual health and well-being. Bringing space for regular play in my life is an effort that I continue to cultivate.

Heading into the summer, I hope that you all find the time and space to cultivate your spiritual super-power of play in your lives and continue to find ways to continue to embrace play throughout the year. After all, we have been through in the last sixteen months. I hope you get a chance to play a bit over the summer and renew your soul, and refresh your spirit in a way that makes you happy, healthy, and vibrant in the days to come.

As for me, I am looking forward to playing as much as possible cruising on Penobscot Bay and racing my Lake thirty-first Port Huron to Mackinac Race in MI along with a crew of long-time friends.

Namasté & Love!



Rev. Drew



WORSHIP THEMES

2021-2022

June ends our normal theme based worship series. We will start again in the fall with a new set of spiritually related themes. If you have thoughts and ideas for any of next years themes please let Rev. Drew or a member of our Worship Committee know and we'd be glad to help figure out were we can use your ideas for next year. It's never too early to start planning.

September: Embracing Possibility

October: Cultivating Relationship

November: Holding History

December: Opening to Joy

January: Living with Intention

February: Widening the Circle

March: Renewing Faith

April: Awakening

May: Nurturing Beauty

June: Celebrating Blessings

Minister's Schedule - June 2021

Rev. Drew along with other UUSB staff will be working from home, until social distancing measures are withdrawn. He is reachable during the office hours listed below either online or via phone.

Mon - Minister's Sabbath Day (day off)

Tues - 12 to 2 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.

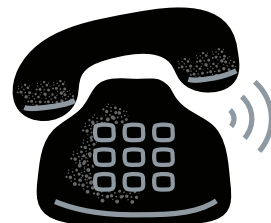
Saturdays - By appointment (ONLINE or by PHONE)

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

Note: **June 21 - June 27** - Rev. Drew will be attending the UU Ministers Association's Annual meeting and General Assembly and available on a limited basis for phone calls, emails and meetings

You can reach Rev. Drew directly at his local UUSB phone number.

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



SUMMER SCHEDULE

Rev. Drew's Summer Schedule:

- June 28 - July 4 - Rev. Drew will be taking comp time / vacation
- July 1 - July 12 - vacation
- July 13 - 18 - Rev. Drew working in office / (meetings by apt.)
- July 19 - August 1 - vacation
- Aug 3 - 22 - study leave
- Aug 24 - Aug 29 - Rev. Drew working in office (meetings by apt.)
- Aug 31 - Sept 5 - Study Leave
- Sept 7 - Rev. Drew resumes his normal Fall schedule

Note: During summer vacation and study leave Rev. Drew will not be attending his emails or phone. If there is a congregational issue contact the office or a member of council. For pastoral care issue please contact Phyllis Havens or Marj Lawrence from our pastoral care team.

Christine
is
back!

Building Closed
&
Staff Working
from Home

Call
or
Email
~
all calls go to
voicemail

Annual Report
Expected Publication Date
May 5

Photos to Feature
on Website or in
C+C ALWAYS
WELCOME

Worship
Committee:
looking for
volunteers



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Rev. Becky Gunn

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Building Closed

Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, the UUSB building is closed until future notice. All staff are working from home. Please check the weekly e-news and monthly *Chalice & Chimes* for updates.

"Office" hours with contact by voicemail or email from 10-2, Tuesday-Friday.

If there is some delay, please be patient with the complexities of the building being closed and having an infant around. I check for incoming messages from 10-2 Tuesday-Friday. I am unable to receive direct calls to the office at home, so please expect a delay in responses. The fastest method is to email and I will pass along the info or reply by email or phone, as you request. When leaving a voicemail, please provide all necessary info.

Key Fobs

The building locks were changed in February. You will need to fill out the new key agreement and schedule a time to pick up a new key fob in order to have access to the building.

You can download the updated Key Agreement and either send it to the office by email or drop it off in person, when you come to pick up your key fob. Please complete the entire form, as we try to improve security and limit the number of keys with general access.

If you experience any issues with the security system, please notify the office, so that the issue can be fixed. The security company does not pass along information, unless requested, so I will not know if your code or fob are not working.

UPCOMING DEADLINES

CHALICE & CHIMES (SEPT ED.)
FRIDAY 8/20 - SOFT DEADLINE
WEDNESDAY 8/25 - HARD DEADLINE

E-NEWS (WEEKLY)
THURSDAYS AT 10:00AM
COMMITTEE NOTES FOR COUNCIL
WEDNESDAY, JUNE 9

"OFFICE" HOURS

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



General Assembly

GA will be held via Zoom on June 23- 27th. We are still looking for 3 delegates to participate and represent UUSB. The registration cost for this is \$110. If you would like to participate, but finances are a deterrent for you, please contact Revered Drew.

Here is a link to the GA Summary Schedule for you to review if you are considering becoming a delegate:

<https://www.uua.org/files/2020-10/2021%20grid.pdf>

Committee Chairs

Please remember to always submit your Committee Minutes to both uusbclerk@gmail.com and uubangor@gmail.com each month for archival purposes.

Pledges

Most pledges are mostly in. We still have several people that have not pledged as of yet. As we saw at the annual meeting, our pledge amount is lower than what we had hoped for. We continue to have financial obligations due, even with COVID. If you are able, please consider paying your entire pledge for 2021-2022 in full. Then you no longer need to worry about it and maybe you would then be able to put a little more to the Share the Plate recipients each month. Thank you for this consideration.

Fundraising

We are looking for members to form a **Raffle Fundraising Committee**. This has turned out to be our largest fundraiser and hasn't had an official committee to help organize all of the details. As Tom Bickford has moved to southern Maine, this fundraiser is now lacking a leader. Our Annual Budget is relying on this particular fundraiser to come through in a big way, and we really want a great team to make it successful. If you are interested, please contact any member of Council.

COVID Updates

Re-Opening Committee Forming; Members Needed

We are looking for members to form a re-opening committee. If you are interested in helping to plan and implement guidelines on how to safely open our building again, please contact Will Seavey (william.seavey@gmail.com) by mid June.

Committees Allowed to Meet In-Person, Outdoors Only

All Committees are now able to meet in person, as long as it is outdoors. If everyone is fully vaccinated and all members are comfortable not wearing masks, then they will not be required. If, however, anyone in the committee is not comfortable with this, then we ask that everyone continue to wear masks. We have spent the last year getting accustomed to masks and social distancing and do not expect the return of our prior social lives to happen overnight and without some hesitancy. We want to honor all of our members' feelings and concerns and ask that everyone be respectful, patient and kind with one another. Indoor meetings will only be allowed if it is absolutely necessary to be inside, and will continue to require masks and social distancing.

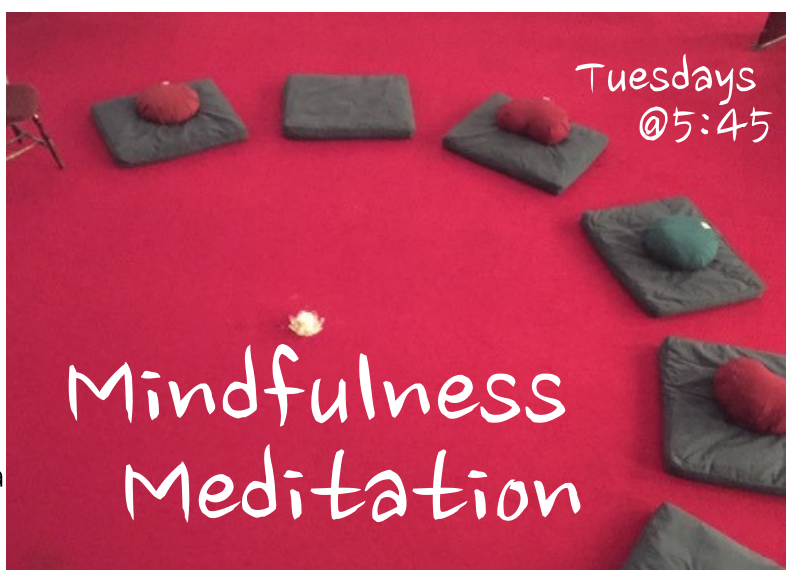
UUSB Mindfulness Meditation Group

Every Tuesday 5:45 - 7:00 PM

Last month, we started exploring some of the universal teaching of Buddhism with the aid of a book by Jack Kornfield titled *The Wise Heart - A Guide to the Universal Teachings of Buddhist Psychology*.

Our sessions continue to offer a place to meditate together as a community. The lesson offers a review previous meetings lesson, and a new lesson and with a rich conversation and dialogue on the weekly lesson.

Our meditation is an open/drop in style group. No previous meditation experience required though first time attendees are encouraged to check-in with Rev. Drew (drewuu2@gmail.com) beforehand for a quick briefing. Links to each weeks meeting appear in the E-News.



Open Mic Night LIVE!

presented by
UUSB CoffeeHouse
Every Monday
7:00-9:00PM
on Zoom

Want to share a song or two? Or just hang out in the ZoomRoom and enjoy the talents of our amazing musical line up??

Please email Karen Childs at for the Zoom login info at karenchilds75@gmail.com.

Chalice Side Chat

June 1, 8, & 15 at 7:30 PM

For the last year and half our Chalice Side Chats have happened every Tuesday night. As we head into the summer months, the Chalice Side Chats will be going on vacation. During the summer Rev. Drew will be evaluating the continuance of this group assuming that COVID is opening up. If there a folks who are interested in continuing this group in the fall please contact Rev. Drew by June 27th.



Photo by Chris Montgomery via Unsplash

TREASURER'S REPORT

BY ROSEMARY PARSONS

TREASURER'S REPORT FOR MONTH OF April. This report covers 83% of the year.

Total income for the month of April was \$13,861. Expenses were \$20,161 leaving a net income of (\$6,300) for the month. The net income for the 10 months ending 04/30/21 is \$14,039.

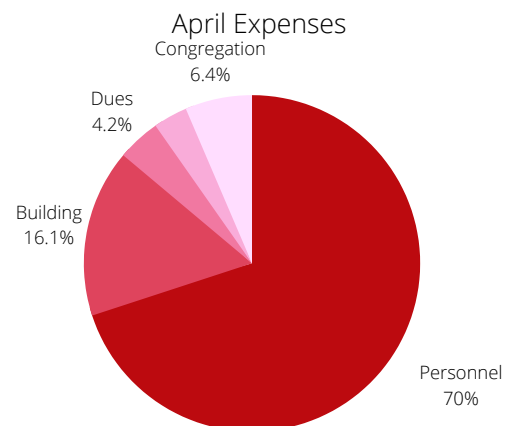
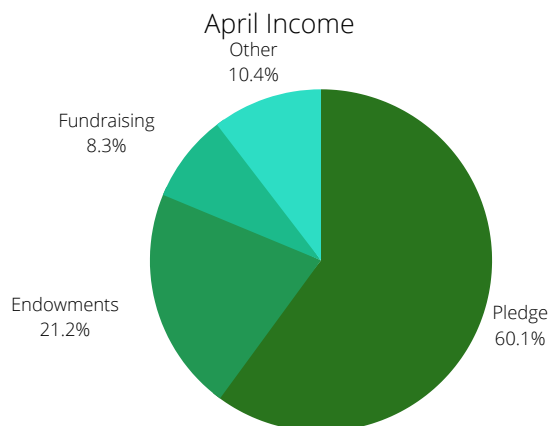
April income included pledge of \$8,324, \$2,719 more than last month. Total pledge received through 04/30/21 is \$103,947 representing 89% of what is budgeted. Plate donations were \$641 Half of that amount goes to MUUSAN. Total Income for 10 months is 88% of the budget.

VANCO: In April, 17 people used the Vanco link to make payments totaling \$1,576 gross in all categories with a net of \$1,533 Fees were \$42.33 and the offset paid was \$28.10. Donations were General Fund for \$35.00, pledges for \$1,332:and Share the Plate for \$181

Expenses for the month break down as Personnel \$14,107 (70% of total costs), Building \$3,254 (16%), Fair Share to the UUA \$837 (4%) , Administrative \$664 (3%) and Congregational expenses for \$1,299 (7%) Total expenses for 10 months were 82% of the year's budget.

The income from the Spring Auction will be included in May , and we should have more income than expenses for the month.

In Service,
Rosemary Parsons



Buy Groceries, Support UUSB



Grocery Cards are available! Convenient to carry!
Every purchase helps UUSB!!

Cards are available in increments of
\$25, \$50 or \$100.

Email or call for pick-up or delivery. Cash or checks
made out to UUSB are accepted.

Buy for your own grocery shopping! Buy cards for
gifts! Buy to donate to a local food bank!

Cards are also available at the monthly
Ringing Bells & Feeding Souls events.
The next will be June 13th at 12:00.

For purchase and pickup or delivery, contact:

Tim & Judy Martin
942-2696
jamandt@myfairpoint.net
10 Highland Ct off Union St.
OR delivery ANYWHERE

Rosemary Parsons
327-1045
roxemary@gmail.com
Delivering in the Orono/Old Town/Hudson area.

LOOKING AHEAD WITH MEMBERSHIP-FELLOWSHIP

BY KERRIE O'BRIEN

New Options for Membership

The Membership-Fellowship Committee and Rev. Drew launched new options for friends and visitors who want to consider becoming a member of UUSB. Joining is now possible at any time. The new system consists of (1) completing an information request card, now available online, 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 May 2nd and will be held online via ZOOM. The next New to UU Class will be held in the Fall, with date and time to be announced at a later time. If you are interested in participating in the one of the Minister's Teas or becoming a member, you can email uubangor@gmail.com.

Monthly Tea with Reverend Drew

Rev. Drew holds a monthly tea via Zoom immediately following Fellowship Hour after service. Attending one of the teas meets one of the requirements to becoming a UUSB member. This is a little less formal and is a good way to ask any questions you may have about Unitarian Universalism, the UUSB and our commUUnity. The next Minister's Tea will be Sunday, June 6th, just after fellowship. If you would like to attend, please send an email to uubangor@gmail.com.

Coming of Age (COA)



Last month, our COA youth met to learn more about the many different ways and organizations that exist and how to access those resources outside of our congregational life.

On June 6th our 2020-21 COA participants will present their credo, also known as "this I believe," statements to our congregation accompanied by reflections from our COA mentors. This is a "you don't want to miss it" service, so mark your calendars.

In addition to honoring our youth participants: Lilie Sites, Simon Socolow, Zachary Spreng, and Franny Wilson, we also offer gratitude to our COA mentors Gail Bickford, SueAnn Gaitings, LyAnn Grogan, and Mark McCollough.

And special to Dave Patterson for serving as group co-leader for our in person May meeting.

COMMUNITY CORNER

Welcome to our Returning Members!

Deb Chapman

Deb Chapman lives in Bangor with her wife, Carol. They have been together for twenty-two years and legally married for 7 ½ years. They have two granddaughters, Olivia and Isabelle. But, the real baby of the family is Maggie Mae, a five-year old mix dachshund and terrier rescued from Puerto Rico. Deb also has four cats and two parakeets. She loves to do color-by-number, go to thrift shops, and listen to 70's music, and recently started to rebuild her record collection. Deb has worked for the Maine Coalition to End Domestic Violence for 12 years. At 65-years-old, she is giving retirement serious consideration to pursue other interests at a much slower pace. As a former member of the UU Society of Bangor, she is so excited to be back home.

JoDee Creighton

JoDee was born and raised in Chicago. She knew from her mid-teens, that she wanted to teach. She earned a BA in Applied English Linguistics and taught language arts for two years, then moved to New Orleans with now-former husband and raised two children: Andrew and Laura.

Later, JoDee attended pharmacy school and worked for 35 years as a hospital pharmacist, including clinical work in psychiatry, pain management, drug monitoring, and pharmacy quality monitoring – the best part was precepting pharmacy students.

Along the way, JoDee moved to Bangor, where she joined UUSB and discovered she had been a UU all her life. She sat on several committees, sang in the choir, and played the chimes. While here she found Shamanism, a practice that she continues through workshops and shamanic journeying. After retiring, JoDee moved to Edmonds, WA, to be near her son and his family who live in Seattle. JoDee loves traveling, including to Australia to visit her daughter and son-in-law. Other interests include needlework, reading, and gardening, as well as auditing classes in Anthropology and Geology. JoDee also volunteers as a certified Beach Watcher in Snohomish County, and is a docent at the touch-tank on the Edmonds Pier. She acknowledges the spirits of the Snohomish people who have lived in the area for thousands of years.

JoDee is very glad to be back with UUSB, even though it will be on Zoom. She hopes to come visit when church opens again for services.

From a Grateful Member of AA

April 15, 2021

Hello, all,

A number of years ago, I went to the AA meeting that takes place everyday. I was so broke, I couldn't even afford toilet paper so I stole some.

I'm sending this money to you as reparation to this theft. I appreciate this opportunity to pay you back.

Most sincerely,

A grateful member of Alcoholics Anonymous

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SOCIAL JUSTICE COMMITTEE

National Popular Vote: Quote from Tracy Haskell's Legislative Testimony

Here is a portion of Tracy Haskell's legislative testimony in support of LD 1330 An Act to Join the National Popular Vote Compact. It's a beautiful example of putting our UU faith and principles into action, "I am here today as a volunteer for the Maine Unitarian Universalist State Advocacy Network (MUUSAN) I am testifying in support of LD 1330 An Act To Join the National Popular Vote Compact. MUUSAN is a faith based statewide network of Unitarian Universalists committed to a legislative ministry that promotes and protects democracy. In living our faith, Unitarian Universalists are guided by a set of seven principles which we hold as moral guides. These strong values affirm the inherent worth and dignity of every person, they affirm justice and they affirm the use of the democratic process. The 15th Amendment, the 19th Amendment, the Voting Rights Act ... The United States has a long history of reaching for justice and equality within our electoral system. The National Popular Vote Interstate Compact (NPVC) is another opportunity to becoming the democracy where there truly is equality for all voters. The NPVC would make "one person, one vote" a reality and would provide a mechanism where the electorate accurately represents the voices of the people. Democracy and the right of all people to have a voice and a vote is at the very heart of our Unitarian Universalist faith. We believe strongly in justice, it is a sacred path where all voters are valued equally no matter where they live. Unitarian Universalists are known to be people who show up. Today we are showing up for democracy by embodying the values of our faith by advocating for a future where each and every vote counts...."

The LD in support of the National Popular Vote interstate compact was withdrawn for the time being. Supporters decided it was not the strategic time and want to be prepared to have it pass in 2023, in time for the next Presidential election. However, testimony like Tracy's is the way we UUs can work towards legislation that supports our principles, even if it takes awhile!

Find out more about how you can work to enact state legislation that supports our UU principles. Go to the MUUSAN website MUUSAN.org. Also, Valerie Carter and Suzanne Kelly, Social Justice Committee chairs, have National Popular Vote (NPV) pins for anyone interested.

FLIA Severing Ties with FAM; Becoming Independent Organization

Faith Linking In Action (FLIA)'s letter to faith communities about our decision to sever ties with FoodANDMedicine and become an independent interfaith organization working together to dismantle roadblocks that keep the disadvantaged in our community down.

May 18, 2021

Dear Congregation of the Unitarian-Universalist Society of Bangor,

The Faith Linking In Action (FLIA) Board determined it is time for us to branch out from FoodANDMedicine and to work on various independent projects. We are proud of the relationship we have had with Food AND Medicine and of the respected organization FLIA has become. We know we will have opportunities to support each other's goals and activities in the future. Please stay tuned for further updates about how you can help FLIA continue to work as an interfaith community to alleviate the problems of the disadvantaged.

The FLIA Board

If you want more information about changes in FLIA's structure and purpose, contact Suzanne Kelly.



Ringing Bells and Feeding Souls



June 13th at 12:00 PM

Open Air Chimes Concert & Food Collection

On Sunday, June 13th, UUSB will once again host our Second Sunday Food Drive and Open Air Concert, the church's monthly community food collection, from 12:00 – 12:30 p.m. There will be drop off bins on the Park Street sidewalk in front of the church for those wishing to donate.

In addition, from 12:00 – 12:30 p.m., the church will offer a bell/chimes concert from the church's historic bell tower. One of only 6 genuine tower bell instruments in Maine, and the only manually-played chime in Bangor (installed 1919), the 10-bell, Meneely "C Chime" instrument will be played.

We invite all within the Bangor community to step outside and take a listen. You are welcome to enjoy from the church lawn and surrounding areas, but please be absolutely certain to observe social distancing practices of at least 6 feet, or listen from the comfort of your enclosed car. People driving by or listening outside should wear cloth masks for the safety of all.

The food donations are contributed to the Ecumenical Food Pantry in Bangor. Want to help feed souls, but don't have time to shop or can't lug around heavy groceries? The Ecumenical Food Cupboard does take money, which buys up to six pounds of food for every dollar given. Please don't make checks out to UUSB. Instead, write them out to Bangor Ecumenical Food Cupboard (Bangor EFC if you like alphabet soup), and we'll keep feeding souls.



SHARE THE PLATE



In June, half of the undesignated funds in the plate will go to the UUSB Food Security Programs. This includes the Bean Suppers that we host on the fourth, and fifth, Saturdays each month; our donation to the Soup Kitchen at the Salvation Army, in lieu of making lunches during the pandemic; and our Bag Lunch program, to give lunches for those attending our Bean Suppers.

In April, we were able to share \$321 with Maine UU State Advocacy Network (MUUSAN) to help support UU values in action through our Maine legislation..

And, in May, we shared our plate with Hemophilia Alliance of Maine (HAM).



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



BUILDING + GROUNDS

Spring 2021 has been a busy month for the Building & Grounds Committee. From a combination of Endowment Capital Funds and FY22 budget funds, we have been allocated approximately \$16,000 for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2021. The plan is to do as much as we can within that budget to tackle a number of much needed maintenance and repairs. We have allocated the funds in this way:

- \$3,000** to have Jackson Heating & Plumbing install a furnace circulator pump
- \$1,000** toward replacing slate shingles on the Sanctuary half of the roof
- \$4,000** toward repointing the brick on the exterior of the building
- \$4,000** toward repairing wood rot, fixing leaks, stripping and painting the exterior trim on all doors and windows
- \$1,000** toward repairing water damage and creating storage in the RE space
- \$3,000** for any and all routine building maintenance needed in FY22

The actual costs required to complete some of these tasks for the building is at least \$75,000. As you might surmise, we have had to divide those costs over 5 years to complete. Nobody is thrilled about this prospect but we are at least making some progress. 120 Park Street is an old and well loved facility and it needs constant love and care.

The Dorothy Memorial Kitchen upgrade is nearly completed. We need only have the alarm system updated to connect with the security system for direct notification with the security company in case of fire. We were very grateful that the city code and fire inspectors grandfathered our kitchen for use of our beautiful new (but non-commercial grade) ranges.

We will keep the congregation updated monthly regarding the work being done. As always, we welcome and very much appreciate any volunteers. If you are interested in volunteering - either regularly or for a single project - please contact Wendy Erickson at wendylynnerrickson@gmail.com.



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.

Mondays @7:00 PM

Zoom Open Mic

Join our online CoffeeHouse Open Mic for some community music every Monday. To receive the login info, please email karenchilds75@gmail.com.

Tuesdays @5:45 PM

Mindfulness Meditation Group

Join Rev. Drew for the return of our regular Mindfulness (Vipassana) Meditation Group.

Tuesdays June 1, 8, & 15 @7:30 PM

Chalice Side Chat

Join us on Zoom to check in and find support. 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

Sunday, June 6 @10:00 AM

Coming of Age Sunday

Join this morning as we celebrate Flower Communion and our four Coming of Age (COA) participants share their credo statements with congregation. In addition our mentors will also offer a brief reflection on their work with our COA participants.

Sunday, June 6 @11:30 AM

Minister's Tea

Join Rev. Drew and Membership committee members for a casual time to ask questions and learn about UUSB, UUism, and fill one of the membership requirements.

Sunday, June 13 @12:00 PM

Ringing Bells & Feeding Souls

Join us for an open-air concert with UUSB's historic bells and our monthly food collection for the Ecumenical Food Cupboard. Since December 2019, we've collected over 4,000 lbs. of food!

Saturday, June 26 @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.

Sunday, June 27 @4:00 PM

General Assembly Service

Today's service will be streamed from the UUA's General Assembly. Join us as we worship with UU's all over North America in the largest annual gathering of Unitarian Universalists in the world.

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JUNE

UUSB CALENDAR

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
		1 9:45 AM Staff Meeting 5:45 PM Meditation Group 7:30 PM Chalice Side Chat	2	3 6:00 PM Zoom Choir	4	5
6 10:00 AM Coming of Age Service Flower Communion 11:30 AM Minister's Tea	7 7:00 PM Zoom Open Mic	8 5:45 PM Meditation Group 7:30 PM Chalice Side Chat	9 Committee Reports Due	10 6:00 PM Zoom Choir 6:30 PM Executive Committee	11 10:00 AM Budget & Finance	12 8:30 AM Social Justice Committee Retreat
13 10:00 AM Service 12:00 PM Ringing Bells & Feeding Souls	14 7:00 PM Zoom Open Mic	15 12:00 PM Staff Lunch 5:45 PM Meditation Group 7:30 PM Chalice Side Chat	16 12:00 PM AUW Guild Meeting 6:30 PM Council	17	18	19
20 10:00 AM Service	21 7:00 PM Zoom Open Mic	22	23 5:30 PM Worship	24	25	26 10:00 AM Bag Lunch Prep 3:00 PM Bean Supper Prep 4:00 PM Bean Supper
Pro Days			General Assembly - Online			
27 10:00 AM General Assembly Service 9:00 AM MMYG Trip	28 7:00 PM Zoom Open Mic	29	30	All Meetings & Services are currently being held on Zoom until further notice. Please subscribe to our e-news or join the UUSB community group on Facebook to get up-to-date info.		
GA Online						

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JULY

UUSB CALENDAR

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
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AUGUST

UUSB CALENDAR

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
1 10:00 AM Service	2 7:00 PM Zoom Open Mic	3	4	5	6	7
8 10:00 AM Service 12:00 PM Ringing Bells & Feeding Souls	9 7:00 PM Zoom Open Mic	10	11 Committee Reports Due	12 6:30 PM Executive Committee	13 10:00 AM Budget & Finance	14
15 10:00 AM Service 11:45 AM Social Justice	16 7:00 PM Zoom Open Mic	17	18 6:30 PM Council	19	20 C&C Soft Deadline	21
22 10:00 AM Service	23 7:00 PM Zoom Open Mic	24	25 C&C Hard Deadline 5:30 PM Worship	26	27	28 10:00 AM Bag Lunch Prep 3:00 PM Bean Supper Prep 4:00 PM Bean Supper
	Day Camp (Tentative)					
29 10:00 AM Service	30 7:00 PM Zoom Open Mic	31	All Meetings & Services are currently being held on Zoom until further notice. Please subscribe to our e-news or join the UUSB community group on Facebook to get up-to-date info.			

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 contact 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.

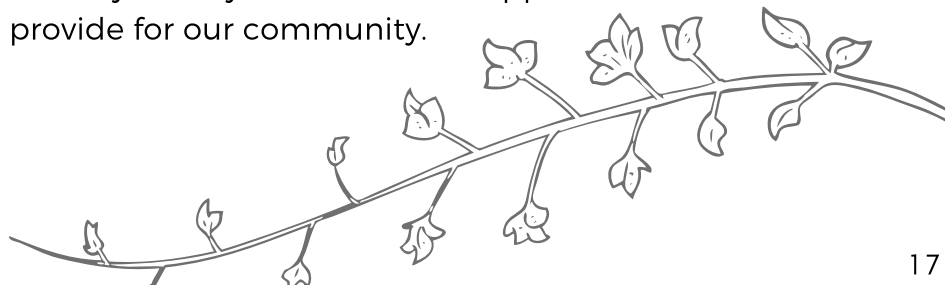
Collection Plate & Pledge Reminders

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



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



ABOUT THE *CHALICE & CHIMES*

Church Council:

Will Seavey, Chair
Kate Dutra, Clerk
Rosemary Parsons, Treasurer
Becky Anderson
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Due to delays caused by working
remotely during the COVID-19,
please be patient with responses.
We will get back to you as quickly
as possible.

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: August 25, 2021

The next issue will be September 2021.
We value your contributions and very much
appreciate submissions. When sending email
contributions to *The Chalice & Chimes*:
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