

CHALICE & CHIMES

THE MONTHLY NEWSLETTER OF UUSB

MAY 2022

THIS MONTH IN WORSHIP

Our theme this month is **Nurturing Beauty**.

May 1 - Both/And - One of the most frustrating things about growing up has been learning how complicated and nuanced the world is. Join Caleigh Grogan to reflect on how her time in Higher Education, and her very basic understanding of classical logic, are helping her grapple with the uncomfortable reality that right and wrong are often not as clear cut as we would like them to be. This service will be led by Caleigh Grogan with Phyllis Havens, Laurie Cartier, and Kat Allen as our worship team and Molly J. Webster and Jacob LaMontagne providing music.

Meeting ID: 916 0881 8098 Passcode: 500383 [Zoom Link](#)

May 8 - Spiritual Exploration Recognition Sunday - Join us as we hear from our young people and their teachers about their adventures this year in both our virtual/online and monthly in-person social distancing programs. This service will be led by Karen Childs and Rev. Drew Moeller with John Arimond as our technical coordinator and Molly J. Webster and Jacob LaMontagne providing music.

Meeting ID: 967 0676 7963 Passcode: 971844 [Zoom Link](#)

May 15 - Leadership Recognition Sunday - In celebration of our annual meeting, we will reflect on the power of our Shared ministry model and thank our congregational leaders for all their work over the last year in keeping our congregation running smoothly during the pandemic. The UUSB Annual Meeting will follow immediately after worship. This service will be led by Rev. Drew Moeller with Sue McKay and Laurie Cartier as our worship team and Molly J. Webster and Jacob LaMontagne providing music.

Meeting ID: 915 9256 9316 Passcode: 943101 [Zoom Link](#)

May 22 - Approaching Beauty - Rev. Drew will explore the role of beauty in our spiritual life. This service will be led by Rev. Drew Moeller with John Arimond and LyAnn Grogan as our worship team and Molly J. Webster and Jacob LaMontagne providing music.

Meeting ID: 939 6770 0086 Passcode: 521671 [Zoom Link](#)

May 29 - Memorial Day - Come and join us in celebrating Memorial Day and honoring those who have gone before. We will focus as well on the current issues in the world with readings and music. This service will be led by Laurie Cartier with Marcia Jordan and John Arimond as our worship team and Linda Koehler and Rissa Moore providing music.

Meeting ID: 915 1851 4923 Passcode: 405190 [Zoom Link](#)

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SUNDAYS AT 10:00 AM

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Dear Ones,

Our theme for this month is "Nurturing Beauty," which seems appropriate as beauty surrounds us at this time of year. What sticks out for me in this theme is the word "Nurturing" because I believe that nurturing lies at the core of our Unitarian Universalist belief system. Nurturing or the 'care for and encouragement, or development, of' is the primary part of our UU Faith.

This sense of nurturing and beauty helps us see beyond superficial appearances and instead look deep into and find the beauty of each living soul. It reminds me of what I would call good mothering/parenting awareness. For who but a loving parent can see us for who we are and accept us and nurture us and support us as we grow from the cradle to the grave.

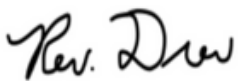
It reminds me of the story of the Ugly Duckling - how a momma duck can accept and see the beauty of a duckling who is a little different and continue to nurture that duckling until a beautiful swan appears. This is how I would hope and wish the world to be. Of course, we know that this is not always the case. We know that not every parent or guardian is nurturing as we would like them to be. That is why being in a beloved community that searches for that beauty in one another is helpful. We all need that kind of encouragement as we look for the beauty within, without, and all around us.

Something is compelling about our faith's commitment to honoring, nurturing, and supporting each person's inherent worth and dignity and providing that rich, supportive space that allows people to grow.

This month, we seek that nurture the spirit in Spring's unfolding, celebrating healthy mother/parent energy through our Spiritual Exploration and Leadership recognitions worship services. We also have the opportunity to engage in our democratic process at our annual meeting and, in doing, show that a thoughtful and caring democratic process can be nurturing to the whole.

I encourage you to look at and read our UUSB 2022 Annual Report, as soon as it comes out, to be fully aware of all the fantastic and nurturing things we do as a congregation. May we continue to look for, witness, celebrate and promote beauty everywhere we find.

Love & Namasté,



Rev. Drew

June's worship theme is
"Celebrating Blessings."

Suggestions Wanted!

Do you have a poem, reading, piece of music, story, or personal experience that relates to a monthly theme?

If yes, we'd love to hear about it! Share your suggestion with Rev. Drew, Molly, or Laurie. We'll try to include your suggestions in an upcoming worship service.

Your suggestions make our worship experience even richer!

Minister's Schedule - May 2022

Rev. Drew along with other UUSB staff will continue to work from home. He is reachable during the office hours listed below either online or via phone.

- Mon - Minister's Sabbath Day (day off)
- Tues, Wed, Fri - 10 to 1 PM - Office hours (ONLINE or by PHONE)
2 to 4 PM - by Appt.
- Thurs - Sermon Writing / Worship Planning Day
(not taking calls or answering emails)
- Saturdays - By appointment (ONLINE or by PHONE)
- Sundays - (afternoon / evenings by appointment) (ONLINE or by PHONE)



Note: **April 30 - May 1** will be Rev. Drew's regular weekend off for the month of May.
May 23 - May 29 Rev. Drew will be taking a compensation week off.

You can reach Rev. Drew directly at his local UUSB phone number **(207)922-2956** or at his personal cell phone number **(860)655-5890**

UUSB Mindfulness Meditation Group

Tuesdays, 5:45 - 7:00 PM via Zoom
No Meeting on May 24

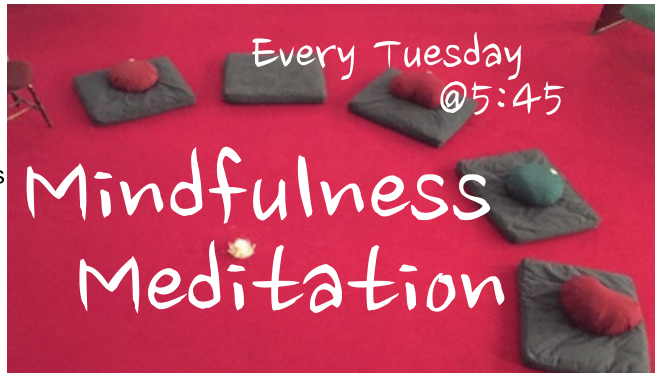
This month, we will continue our exploration of Jack Kornfield's book *The Wise Heart*, focusing on Chapter 11 "Ancient Unconsciousness."

Our meditation is an open/drop-in style group. No previous meditation experience is required.

People joining the group for the first time are highly encouraged to contact Rev. Drew drewu2@gmail.com to make arrangements to sign in at 5:30 on their first night. This allows newcomers to receive a brief meditation instruction before the group meets and makes the first their first meeting more enjoyable. Previous newcomers have found this pre-class intro very helpful.

For May, the Meditation Group will continue to meet via Zoom.

This program is free of charge to all - if one wishes to make a free-will offering (dana) to the group, one can donate by contributing to UUSB with "Meditation Group" in the memo line.



Chalice Side Chat

Tuesdays at 7:30 PM

Join Sue Henri-Mackenzie and other members of our community each week on Zoom. Each session is a chance to offer and receive support and check in with those we miss seeing in person.

Please check your email for the login link or use the following info to call in!

Meeting ID: 881 4667 4374 Passcode: 137985



Photo by Chris Montgomery via Unsplash

In Memory of

Memorial Services

Dear Ones,

It is with great sadness that we share that Dolores Mekrut, a beloved member of our community, passed away peacefully this morning in her home surrounded by family. Dolores had recently been diagnosed with cancer that was very aggressive.

I will be spending time with them today and will post any updates in tomorrow's E-News. Currently the family is planning on a memorial service but anticipates that it won't take place until sometime in summer.

Please send cards and condolences (especially Cheryl and Rodger) to:

The Mekrut Family
8 Hawthorn Court
Orono ME 04473

After my visit today I will be connecting the family to our Pastoral Care (PC) Team for support. If you would like to help in any way please get in touch with Phyllis Havens (pdhavense@gmail.com) who will be coordinating with the family around how we can support them as they grieve.

In sadness and in love,
Rev. Drew Moeller



Becky Anderson

May 14 at 11:00 AM

The memorial service for Becky Anderson, long time UUSB member, will take place on Saturday, May 14 at 11:00 AM. The service will be followed by a reception in the Dorothy Memorial Hall.

[Zoom Link](#)

Meeting ID: 993 2702 8761

Passcode: 282165



Maria Hautala

June 11 at 2:00 PM

The memorial service for Maria Hautala, long time UUSB member, will take place on Saturday, June 11 at 2:00 PM. The service will be followed by a reception in the Dorothy Memorial Hall.

[Zoom Link](#)

Meeting ID: 984 1288 3546

Passcode: 407897

UUSB PRESENTS

ANNUAL LIVE AUCTION

Saturday, May 7 @7PM on Zoom

Meeting ID: 979 4116 0839

Passcode: 068736

Wondering what to get the favorite Mom in your life for Mother's Day?

How about a night at the UUSB Auction from anywhere you may be!

Lots of items would make the perfect gift and think of all the fun of a live auction!

Items include: tours, workshops, great works of art, meals and more!

Check uubangor.org/spring-auction-2022-preview/ to see all the items!

Mark your calendars for Saturday, May 7, 7:00 p.m. on Zoom.





Planning for Rev. Drew's Sabbatical

The Council discussed formalizing a task force to plan for Rev. Drew's Sabbatical, which will be February 2023 through July 2023. The task force will contain three or four people from various committees. Kerrie O'Brien will begin reaching out to other committees in strategic areas (Worship, Fellowship, Pastoral Care, and Council) to start seeking out possible task force members in the coming days.

Developing an HR Committee or Point Person

Rev. Drew in his role of Supervisor of staff, is looking for someone to take on some appropriate Human Resources responsibilities at UUSB. This might include assisting in the facilitation of mid-year and annual reviews. The Council will determine in upcoming meetings the best approach for moving forward as well as develop a job description. If you have interest, please reach out to Rev. Drew or Kerrie O'Brien.

Annual Meeting

The Annual Meeting will occur on May 15 immediately after the service. More information to come.

General Assembly

The Unitarian Universalist Association General Assembly will occur June 22-26 in Portland, Oregon. This event will be multi-platform and our congregation is allowed to send a total of three delegates. Delegates can serve in-person or online, and UUA is also offering some pre-GA online workshops to help delegates become more familiar with the General Assembly process and business items to help make the overall experience more user-friendly. More information on the General Assembly can be found here (<https://www.uua.org/ga>). If you have interest or have questions, please reach out to Rev. Drew or a Council member. If you'd like to add your name to the potential nomination list for the three individuals to be selected from UUSB, you may also reach out to the main office.



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ANNUAL MEETING MAY 2022

15 MAY, 2022

11:30 AM

IN-PERSON & ON ZOOM



Annual Meeting
May 15!!!

Staff Working
from Home

Call
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voicemail

submit
vaxx cards
or bring to
service

Photos to Feature
on Website or in
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LIVE
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Staff Working from Home; General Update

Staff are still working from home, in general. Please contact staff members and schedule a time to meet, if you need to meet in person. Once vaccines are approved for children under 5, I will plan to resume my regular office hours, in-person. I appreciate your patience and understanding, the respect that has been shown for the health of staff and their families has made me eternally grateful and happy to work here at UUSB.

"Office" hours with contact by voicemail or email from 10-2, Tues-Fri

If there is some delay, please be patient with the complexities of working from home. I check for incoming messages from 10-2 Tuesday-Friday. I am unable to receive direct calls to the office, so please expect a delay in responses. The fastest method is 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.

Sunday Announcement Submissions Must Be Sent By Friday to Worship

If you have an announcement to have presented on Sunday morning that didn't appear in the weekly e-news on Thursday, please submit it, by email, to the office *and* the worship associate by Friday afternoon. If it is received after 2:00 PM on Friday, there is no guarantee that it will appear in the Sunday morning email or in the announcements during the service.

Building Use Must Be Scheduled with Office!

If you are planning to move to committee or small group meetings in the UUSB building, instead of via Zoom, you **MUST** submit the request to the church office. Please call or email to schedule your meeting and come back "home."

UPCOMING DEADLINES

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

E-NEWS (WEEKLY)
THURSDAYS AT 10:00AM
COMMITTEE NOTES FOR COUNCIL
WEDNESDAY, MAY 11

"OFFICE" HOURS

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

TREASURER'S REPORT

BY ROSEMARY PARSONS

TREASURER'S REPORT FOR MONTH OF MARCH. This report covers 75% of the year.

Total income for the month of March was \$18,500. YTD income is \$194,694, 84.5% of the year's budget In March 2021 income was \$12,981. Last year's YTD income was \$188,121, 82% of the year's budget.

Expenses were \$21,225. creating a loss of (\$2,725) for the month. February's loss was (\$3,604). YTD expenses are \$180,419 75.7% of the budget. In February 2021 expenses were \$18,588 and that year's YTD expenses were \$166,349, 72% of the budget

March 2022 income included pledge of \$7,3374. Plate donations were \$409. The total plate was sent to the Unitarian Universalist Service Committee' for Ukraine Relief. Endowments were \$9,348, Rental income was \$725. General Fund was \$272. Fundraising was \$410.

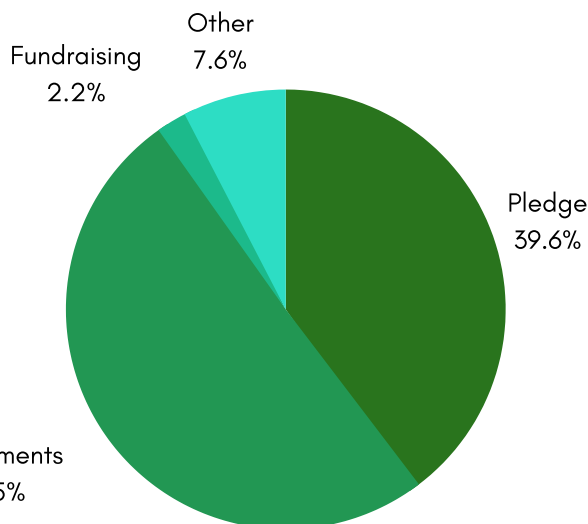
VANCO: In March 14 people used the Vanco link to make payments totaling \$2,423.88 gross in all categories with a net of \$2,388.25. Fees were \$35.63 and the offset paid was \$47.88. Additional charges invoiced were \$32.84, which includes the monthly fee of \$10 for the site. Donations were: General Fund for \$92, Pledges for \$2,182, Share the Plate for \$100, and Minister's Discretionary \$2.

Expenses for the month break down as Personnel \$13,858 (65% of total costs), Building \$4,208 (20%), Fair Share to the UUA \$845 (4%), Administrative \$1,132 (5%), and Congregational expenses for \$1,182 (6%) Total expenses for 9 months was 75.7% of the year's budget.

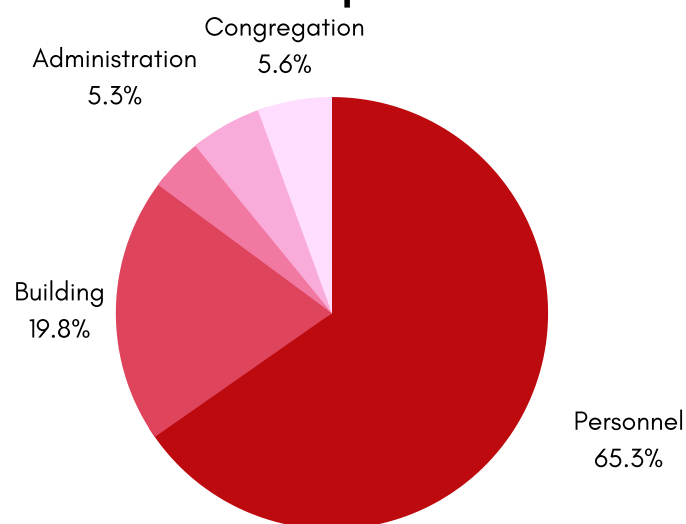
It is difficult to know whether we will end the year in the black.

In Service,
Rosemary Parsons

March Income



March Expense



Options for Membership

Any friends and visitors who want to consider becoming a member of UUSB can now join at any time, not just twice a year!

The joining 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 Monthly Rappin with the Rev (formerly Minister's Tea) or a New to UU Class. The next Rappin' with the Rev is March 27th and will be held after service that day in the Sanctuary of UUSB. The next New to UU Classes will be April 6th via Zoom from 6:30pm to 8pm. And another will be April 13th from 6:30pm to 8 pm LIVE and in-person at UUSB. If you are interested in participating in any of these gatherings or in becoming a member, you can email uubangor@gmail.com.

The Self-Study Guide can be found at <http://uubangor.org/new-to-uusb-2/uusb-self-study-guide/>.

Rappin' with the Rev!

Rev. Drew holds a monthly gathering in the Sanctuary of UUSB immediately following the service. Attending this 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 commUUunity. Anyone is welcome to these, whether you are new or interested in UUSB, or if you have been a member or friend for years but just want a refresher, or have any questions for Reverend Drew. The next will be May 22nd. If you would like to attend, please send an email to uubangor@gmail.com

IN-PERSON SERVICE GUIDELINES

Please be mindful that the worship experience will be very different for both the people in the sanctuary and online. It is extremely important that people read the E-news updates about the in-person component of this new format.

People wanting to participate should expect the following changes to Sunday morning:

- **Proof of vaccination** will be checked and required (including booster if eligible). You can help by sending a copy of your vaccination card to Christine in the office. She will maintain a list of people pre-checked to aid greeters who will be checking for proof of vaccinations.
 - If you are not vaccinated, you can also provide proof of a negative COVID-19 test, which includes a negative PCR test or rapid antigen which must be administered within 72 hours of the start of the performance or event. The test results must clearly show the date and time of the test. This test may be performed by a medical professional or by using an over-the-counter testing kit. A time-stamped photo of an at-home test result is acceptable. NOTE: Children under the age of five will not be required to provide proof of a negative COVID-19 test or a valid COVID-19 vaccination.
- **Wearing a mask the entire time will be required.** Bring your own - we will have some medical procedural masks on hand, though we highly recommend N95 or KN95 masks.
- **There will be no singing or live music in the sanctuary.** Music and hymns will be played and displayed on a new video screen. Singing in the sanctuary remains highly risky and would entail greater distancing.
- **Please do not come to UUSB for worship if you have ANY COVID symptoms.**

SPIRITUAL EXPLORATION EXPERIENCE

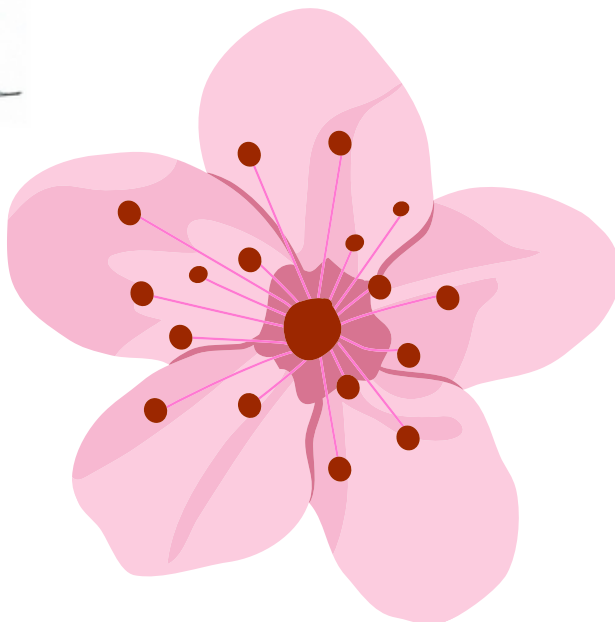


The Soul Matters theme for May is *Nurturing Beauty!* Last month we focused on *Awaking* new ideas and hopes and dreams within our selves. And this month we will be framing and possibly re-framing our definition of *Beauty* and then bringing focus to *Nurturing the Beauty* within and around us.

We will expand our concept of *Beauty* in our monthly *Treasure Hunt*. Explore *beauty* in our neighborhood gardens. Experience *beauty* in the world around us as Spring unfolds into Summer. And expand our thinking to see *Beauty* from another's point of view.

Be sure to check out all these ideas and more in this Month's *Soulful Home Magazine!* It is chock-full of fun games and activities, insightful video selections, outdoor family activities, games, and stories. All wonderful tools to help you and your family find ways to awaken your mind, body, and soul during the month of May.

In comm-UU-nity,



SPRING SESSION SCHEDULE

May

Sun 5/8 @10:00 - SE Sunday & Senior Bridging Sanctuary

June

Sun 6/5 @10:00 - Coming of Age Service & Flower Communion Sanctuary



Karen Childs
UUSB Director of Spiritual
Exploration
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SOCIAL JUSTICE OPPORTUNITIES

UUSB Will Be Part of the Bangor Pride Parade & Festivities!!!

This year's festivities will be back in Downtown Bangor on Saturday, June 25th, 2022. UUSB will be part of the parade and will have a UUSB table at West Market Square. The parade will take place from 11am-12pm, and the festival portion will take place from 12pm - 4pm.

For more information on this year's events, venues, and opportunities, contact jill@mainehealthequity.org.

For more info about how to get involved with UUSB Action (parade and/or table) contact Suzanne Kelly (suziekr@gmail.com).

MUUSAN (Maine UU State Advocacy Network)

MUUSAN worked with success to move State legislation forward that is in line with our UU principles:

- Some (specifics, still to be determined) advances in Tribal Sovereignty
- Start of open primaries in 2024: You would not need to be registered (or register for the sake of voting) in a party (Democrat or Republican) to vote in a primary.
- No more out of state waste delivered to Juniper Ridge in Old Town!

UUSB has representation in the Climate Change (Valerie Carter), Democracy in Action (Suzanne Kelly) and Healthcare (Patty Alcott) Advocacy groups. **We need representation in the Racial, Native, Immigrant Justice Group.** Issue groups meet once monthly during the legislative session.

Register for the MUUSAN Network Meeting on Saturday, May 14 @10:00AM

May's Network Meeting will feature "Spiritual Leadership and Political Advocacy for a Climate Changed World," featuring Rep. Seth Berry, co-chair of the Energy, Utilities and Technology Committee for the Maine State Legislature and Emily Rochford, youth activist with Maine Youth for Climate Justice.

Register [HERE](#).

FLIA (Faith Linking in Action)

FLIA is working on several issues in Bangor associated with poverty: homelessness and home insecurity; food insecurity; lack of good, affordable childcare; and limited public transportation. We would love more UUSB participation.

Contact Suzanne Kelly(suziekr@gmail.com) and/or check out the FLIA web page. We believe that faith communities working together are a strong force for good in the community.

Support the Environment and UUSB!

Learn how you can access clean solar energy - no rooftop required

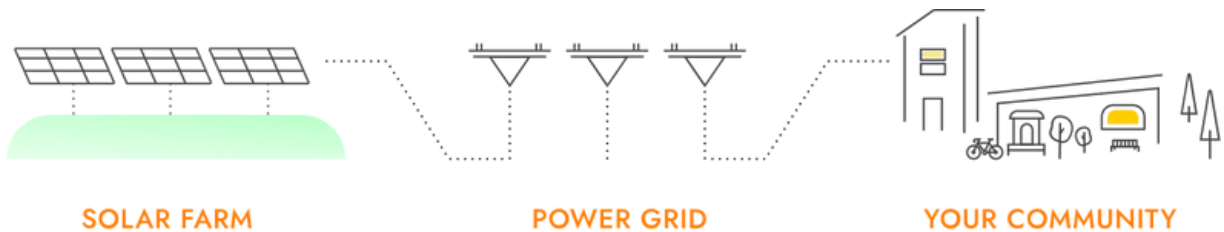


UUSB Solar Alert!!!

AMPION Community Solar subscribers will save 15 percent off their electric utility bills. For everyone from UUSB who signs up, Ampion will donate \$200 to the church. So far, 10 households from UUSB have signed up!

How Community Solar works:

Ampion matches you to a solar farm and assigns you a share of the electricity it generates based on your typical monthly usage. The solar farm produces clean energy and delivers it to the grid, increasing the renewable energy available to your community. Credits are applied to your bill each month depending on the size of your share of the solar energy produced. You're charged for the energy at a discounted rate (either kWh rate reductions or a fixed discount, depending on your utility company).



Community Solar: The easy, climate-friendly energy option.

With Community Solar, you can access all the benefits of renewable energy without any added costs or risks.

Save money

Thanks to renewable energy programs and credits, Ampion members save up to 15% of their electricity bills with no added investments or fees.

No hassles, headaches or fees

With nothing to buy, install, maintain or worry about, you get to experience all the benefits of renewable energy without concern or a catch.

Available to all:

Ampion is available to homeowners, renters and just about anyone who pays a utility bill, making it easy to take part in sustainable change and access real savings. Maine passed Community Solar legislation in 2019 to boost local investment while making Maine a greener State. Sign up now and help build a more sustainable future for Maine!

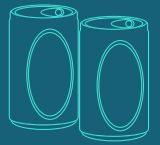
About Ampion:

Ampion offers people and communities the easiest way to transition to clean energy sources while saving money through Community Solar. As a public benefit corporation, we believe in giving people the power to make our homes, communities and planet more sustainable and prosperous.

The folks over at Ampion are more than happy to provide additional support. Should you have any questions about Community Solar or how you can put money back in your pocket while helping Maine transition to clean energy, please reach out to Katie Rooney by phone at (207) 708-8657 or email at krooney@ampion.net.



Ringing Bells and Feeding Souls



May 8th at 12:00 PM

Open Air Chimes Concert & Food Collection

On Sunday, May 8, UUSB will once again host our Second Sunday Food Drive & Open Air Concert, the church's monthly community food collection, from 11:30-12:00. There will be drop off bins on the Park Street sidewalk in front of the church for those wishing to donate.

There is also a new option to donate inside, before or after the service. The bins will be placed in the Dorothy for your items, before moving outside for the drive-thru and curbside donations.

We invite everyone to step outside and take a listen. You are welcome to enjoy from the church lawn, surrounding areas, or your car.

The food collected is given to the Ecumenical Food Pantry in Bangor. They can also take monetary donations, which buys up to six pounds of food for every dollar given. Make checks out to Bangor Ecumenical Food Cupboard (Bangor EFC), and we'll keep feeding souls.

In 2022, we have collected 1,141 pounds so far! You are making a difference!

Help Needed!!! Since our awesome youth in the SEE program will be done in May, the Second Sunday food drive needs help from one, or more people, with a fairly large vehicle, to transport and deliver the food donations. After collecting the food donations on Sunday (and storing in the church or in your vehicle overnight), the food then goes to the Ecumenical Food Cupboard (in Hammond Street Congregational Church), on MONDAY MORNINGS, between 9 a.m. and 11 a.m. Karen Childs says, "It's really easy!!!" **And it's only once a month.**

Please contact Karen Childs or Chuck McKay, if you want to help hungry Mainers by taking over this food delivery!



Photo by Ben Speed

MAY 28

COMMUNITY BEAN SUPPER

UUSB AT 4:00 PM

Throughout the pandemic, our volunteers have continued to put on the monthly community bean suppers as to-go meals. This has made it possible for at-risk volunteers and community members to pick up their food and avoid as much potential exposure as possible. We are thankful to all the amazing volunteers who have done all this work, despite the stress and changes over the last two years!

As the surges of COVID-19 cases continue, we will continue to offer our monthly Community Bean Suppers as to-go meals. You can pick up your bean supper and bag lunch at the Dorothy doors from 4:00 to 5:00 PM on Saturday, May 28.



Photo by P.O.sitive Negative via Unsplash



SHARE THE PLATE



In May, half of the undesignated funds in the plate will go to Shaw House. Shaw House engages youth who are homeless, or at-risk of becoming homeless, in achieving stability and a viable plan for the future by providing a safe, stable environment, access to essential services, supportive adult connections, and to advocate for changes that address the needs of homeless youth.

You can find more at theshawhouse.org.

In April, we shared our plate with Partners for Peace

In March, we shared our plate with Ukrainian refugee relief efforts recommended by the UUSC. We were able to give \$409 to help Ukrainian refugees!

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



GET AN E-CARD
REFILL YOUR CARD

No More Plastic Waste

CONTACT ROSEMARY
(207) 327-1045 ~ ROXEMARY@GMAIL.COM

Convenient to carry! Every purchase helps UUSB!!

Cards are available in increments of \$25, \$50, \$100, \$200, or \$300.

Cash or checks made out to UUSB are accepted.

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

Purchase in person from Kate Dutra, after the Sunday Service!

UPCOMING EVENTS

The Who, What,
Where, & When

HOSTED BY UUSB REGULARLY

Sundays @10:00 AM

Worship Service

Join us weekly in person or on Zoom. Find the guidelines for in-person meetings and the link, meeting ID, and password in the weekly e-news.

Tuesdays @5:45 PM

Mindfulness Meditation Group

Join Rev. Drew for our regular Mindfulness (Vipassana) Meditation Group on Zoom. Open to all!

Tuesdays @7:00 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

Saturday, May 7 @7:00 PM

Annual Live Auction

Join our Annual Live Auction for a fun-filled evening and some awesome items! Sue McKay will be our auctioneer once again. You can join on Zoom or contact Kate Dutra with your proxy bids!

Sunday, May 8 @11:30 AM

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. You can drop off your donation before or after the service in the Dorothy or on the sidewalk during the Chimes concert.

Saturday, May 14 @11:00 AM

Memorial Service for Becky Anderson

Join Becky Anderson's family for a memorial service in-person or on Zoom. The service will be followed by a reception in the Dorothy.

Sunday, May 15 @11:30 AM

Annual Meeting

Join the UUSB Council for our Annual Meeting. We will vote on the budget, new council and committee appointments, and any other business that comes up. You can join in-person or on Zoom after the Sunday service

Saturday, May 28 @4:00 PM


Bean Supper Served

The Bean Supper will be served in the Dorothy Memorial Hall. There will be options for dine-in and to-go meals. Please wear a mask and be prepared to follow social distancing guidelines.

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UUSB CALENDAR

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
1 10:00 AM Service 3:30 PM COA Meeting	2	3 9:45 AM Staff Meeting 5:45 PM Meditation Group 7:00 PM Chalice-Side Chat	4 7:45 PM Comm. Committee	5 5:30 PM Choir	6	7 7:00 PM Annual Auction 
8 10:00 AM SE Recognition Service 11:30 AM Ringing Bells Feeding Souls	9	10 5:45 PM Meditation 7:00 PM Chalice-Side Chat	11 Committee Reports Due 6:30 PM Mem-Fel Committee	12 6:30 PM Executive Committee	13 10:00 AM Budget & Finance	14 11:00 AM Memorial Service for Becky Anderson
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22 10:00 AM Service 11:15 AM Minister's Tea 11:30 AM Social Justice	23	24 7:00 PM Chalice-Side Chat	25 Chalice & Chimes Hard Deadline 5:30 PM Worship Committee	26	27 9:00 AM Shared Ministry	28 10:00 AM Bag Lunch Prep 3:00 PM Supper Prep 4:00 PM Bean Supper
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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.

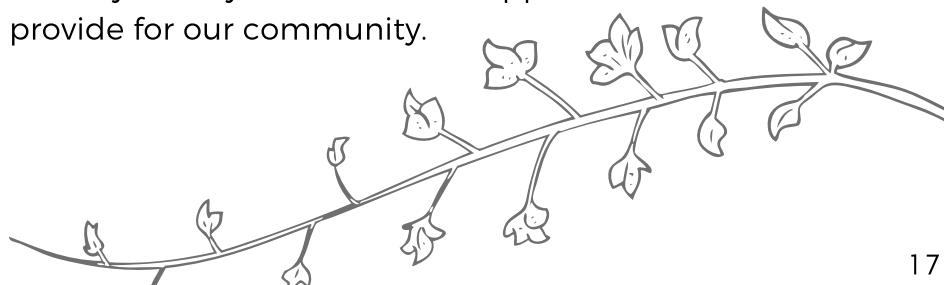
Collection Plate & Pledge Reminders

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:

Kerrie O'Brien, Chair
Valerie Carter, Vice Chair
Kate Dutra, Clerk
Rosemary Parsons, Treasurer
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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: May 25, 2022

The next issue will be June 2022.
We value your contributions and very much
appreciate submissions. When sending email
contributions to The *Chalice & Chimes*:
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