# CHALICE & CHIMES

THE MONTHLY NEWSLETTER OF UUSB

JUNE 2022

### THIS MONTH IN WORSHIP

Our theme this month is Celebrating Blessings.

June 5 - Coming of Age & Flower Communion - Join this morning as we celebrate Flower Communion as our four Coming of Age participants Beatrix Bloom-Foster, Lilly Eubanks, Jordan Seavey, share their credo statements with congregation. In addition, our mentors will also offer a brief reflection on their work with our COA participants. As part of the service, we will be holding our annual Flower Communion. Please bring a flower or twig from home to place into our community bouquet and then take home a different flower as you leave. This service will be led by Rev. Drew Moeller and Erin Seavey, with Laurie Cartier and Ben Goff as our worship team and Molly J. Webster and Jacob LaMontagne providing music.

Meeting ID: 958 0453 0176 Passcode: 325986 Zoom Link

June 12 - Questioning & Affirming - A major part of our faith and spiritual development is asking questions. Do you have questions about Unitarian Universalism, spirituality, ministry or how are faith relates to current events?

Submit your questions to Rev. Drew in advance via email (with QBS in the memo line) or written note. Rev. Drew will answer your questions during the service. During the service, we will also be affirming UUSB member Caleigh

**Grogan answering her call to ministry** with a blessing by the congregation. Don't miss this opportunity to witness the call of one of one of our very own as she begins her training as a minister to be. This service will be led by Rev. Drew Moeller and Laurie Cartier, with Sue McKay, Phyllis Havens, and Ben Goff as our

worship team and Molly J. Webster and Jacob LaMontagne providing music.

Meeting ID: 979 5591 0527 Passcode: 241199 <u>Zoom Link</u>

June 19 - Summer Solstice - Join Laurie Cartier and Caleigh Grogan in a ritual to honor the Summer Solstice. Be ready for fun, joy, dancing, and hopefully a wonderful surprise in the Sanctuary with activities for those who attend online as well. This service will be led by Laurie Cartier and Caleigh Grogan, with Ben Goff and John Arimond as our worship team.

Meeting ID: 934 4471 3186 Passcode: 700857 Zoom Link

June 26 - *UUA General Assembly Service* - We will stream the UUA General Assembly worship service, which will take place at 12:30 PM. Before this service, we will hold the Memorial Service for Delores Mekrut at 10:00 AM. Please keep an eye on the UUA website and the UUSB e-news for the link information for this service.

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### **DREW'S VIEWS**

BY REV. ANDREW MOELLER

Dear Ones,

It's been hard the last few weeks with all the sadness, frustration, and rage brought on by the reality that reproductive rights around the right to access safe and legal abortion and two major mass shootings. These events are enough to weigh heavy on our hearts and dampen our resolve just as we head into summer.

While it's essential to be present and allow ourselves to feel the weight of these events and the social ailments that contributed to them, it's also important to remind ourselves of what we have in our lives that is positive. We need that balance to help us stay present and be whole.

One antidote for all the challenges we face is celebrating our blessings and offering gratitude for the things we can. This month, we can focus on several things in celebration as a community. I can think of at least four (though there are many others).

The first is our Coming of Age (COA) worship service on June 5. At this service, three of our Jr. High students, Beatrix Bloom Foster, Lilly Eubanks, and Jordan Seavey will present their credo (this, I believe) statements to the congregation. This worship service is the culmination of over six months of studying their UU faith and personal beliefs under Erin Seavey's leadership and personal mentors. Don't miss this exciting service and hear about our young people's views on the world.

On June 12, we'll have our annual "Question Box" service, where members and friends of the congregation are invited to submit questions on almost any subject. What will make this service special is that Rev. Drew will also ask a few questions of UUSB member Caleigh Grogan, as she prepares to enter Harvard Theological School and her formal training to become a UU minister. We'll get to hear from Caleigh and Rev. Drew and Laurie Cartier will be offering a blessing on Caleigh's call to ministry. Let's give her a powerful UUSB affirmation and blessing as she begins her formal formation process.

The last two events are memorial services for two beloved members of our community: Maria Hautala and Dolores Mekrut. While memorial services have a sad component to them, I also find that they are healing and, in our UU context, a celebration of lives that deeply matter. The memorial service for Maria will take place on Saturday, June 11 and the service for Delores will take place on Sunday, June 26 during our regular worship time. This will allow space for people who wish to attend the live, online General Assembly Worship that begins at 12:30 PM.

The other celebration that I am currently celebrating at the end of this month is completing my first decade serving in ministry. It's hard to believe it. I could never have predicted the current state of the world or all the ways that ministry has changed in such a short time. Still, I look forward to launching into my second decade serving as the minister of our fantastic community!

### We Love Your Suggestions!

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!

During July and August, our monthly themes will be on vacation. Starting in September, we will resume our monthly themes, so please think about ideas you may want to contribute for the upcoming worship year!

### 2022-2023 Worship Themes

September: Belonging

October: Courage

November: Change

**December**: Wonder

January: Finding Our Center

February: Love

March: Vulnerability

**April**: Resistance

May: Creativity

June: Delight

### **DREW'S VIEWS**

#### BY REV. ANDREW MOELLER

I am looking forward to taking some time off in July to renew my spirit on the waters of the great lakes and the Gulf Of Maine. I hope that you can do something this summer that restores your soul. Remember that while I am away this summer, you can reach our Pastoral Care team if you or anyone you know needs attention (the pastoral care team also knows how to contact me if there is an emergency). If you have questions about our congregation's operations – don't hesitate to contact Christine in the office or one of our Council members.

Blessings and may you have a great summer!

Love & Namasté,

Rev. Drew

Rev. Drew

# Memorial Services



#### 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



### **Delores Mekrut**

June 26 at 10:00 AM

The memorial service for Delores Mekrut, long time UUSB member, will take place on Sunday, June 26 at 10:00 AM. This will be during our usual service time, with the General Assembly service being streamed at 12:30 PM. The service will be followed by a reception in the Dorothy Memorial Hall.

#### Zoom Link

Meeting ID: 966 3505 2216 Passcode: 882961

### Minister's Schedule - June, July, & August 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)

### **Out of Office Dates**

- June 21 June 26 Rev. Drew will be attending UUA General Assembly and will pay limited attention to emails and phone calls.
- June 27 August 2 Rev. Drew will be on vacation and not responding to emails, phone calls, or texts. Please contact the office for church business and Christine can direct you to appropriate member of congregational leadership. If you have pastoral care needs, please contact Phyllis Havens.
- August 2 August 31 Rev. Drew will be on his annual study leave until the beginning of September. He will only be responding to emergency emails, phone calls, or texts. Please contact the office for church business and Christine can direct you to appropriate member of congregational leadership. If you have pastoral care needs, please contact Phyllis Havens.

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

We will meet on June 7 and June 14, then Rev. Drew will be away for the Summer. Meetings will resume on September 13.

For June, we will continue our exploration of Jack Kornfield's book *The Wise Heart*, focusing on Chapters 12 and 13.

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 drewuu2@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.

### COUNCIL CRIER

BY KAREN CASHMAN

### Exploring the Possibility of Solar Panels & Heat Pumps for UUSB

Mark McCollough joined the Council during our May meeting. He's been photographing the roof during different seasons to determine the viability of installing solar panels for electricity. He and Joe Zydlewski are also looking at heat pumps as well. In the coming months, they would like to assess costs as well as estimates of energy produced. In addition, they are looking at inviting a couple of solar companies in to gather accurate estimates. The Council supports the gathering of information to assemble in a report for consideration. Please keep in mind that while we are excited by the possibility, no formal decision has been made on whether the church will move forward with solar or heat pumps. We will keep the congregation informed as discussions move forward and new information becomes available.

### Review of COVID-19 Policy

Currently, Penobscot County is experiencing an increased wave of COVID-19 and is considered high risk for transmission. The Council discussed at this point keeping the masking requirement in place while in the building. As new developments occur during the pandemic, we will continue to review the UUSB COVID-19 policy.

### 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.
  - o 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 limited 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.
  - COVID-19 levels are being assessed monthly, often weekly, by the Council and Molly J. Webster, the UUSB music director, regarding the safety of singing. The choir may sing with masks and social distancing occasionally, but the congregation is asked to *only* hum, to maintain optimum safety for the congregation.
- Please do not come to UUSB for worship if you have ANY COVID symptoms.

# CHALICE & CHIMES FOR 2022-2023

This is the last issue of the Chalice & Chimes for the 2021–2022 church year. I hope it has been worth the wait!

Since I started here at UUSB in 2019, deadlines for our publications has been one of the hardest parts of my job. I want to include everything I receive, even if it is late. When I first started, the deadline was the 20th of the month, but I got a fair number of complaints that that was too early in the month and things couldn't be in by then. So, I adjusted to the 25th, but that resulted in things still being late and left me with no time to actually assemble each issue. My last change was to add a soft deadline on the 20th, so I knew what to expect, so I could do layouts, and a hard deadline on the 25th, so I could hopefully copy and paste and be on my way. Unfortunately, none of these options has worked well and have not allowed me to complete each issue in the timeframe we all hope for.

Going into next year, I want to make a, hopefully final, change to the deadline, as well as clarify what the deadline and publishing goals are. Starting in August, the monthly deadline will be a full work week, plus two days for mailing, before the end of the month. This math is probably a bit of a nuisance to do each month, so I will be including the full list of deadlines below.

I am planning to mail out each issue 1-2 days before the end of the month, so that people receiving it in the mail will have it by the 1st. Previously, my goal date was either the 1st of the month or the 1st Sunday of the month, depending on how many actual work days I had after the 25 to put the *Chalice & Chimes* together. Hopefully these changes will make sure that every issue in 2022-2023 goes out on time.

Issue:	Deadline:	Publication Goal Date:		
September	August 23	August 30		
October	September 21	September 29		
November	October 21	October 28		
December	November 22	November 29		
January	December 22	December 29		
February	January 20	January 27		
March	February 21	February 24		
April	March 23	March 30		
Мау	April 21	April 28		
June	May 23	May 30		

### **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





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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 (SEP. ED.) TUESDAY, AUGUST 23

E-NEWS (WEEKLY)
THURSDAYS AT 10:00AM

COMMITTEE NOTES FOR COUNCIL
WEDNESDAY, JUNE 8
WEDNESDAY, JULY 13
WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 10

### "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 APRIL. This report covers 83% of the year.

Total income for the month of April was \$9,335. YTD income is \$204,030, 88.5% of the year's budget. In April 2021, income was \$13,861. Last year's YTD income was \$201,982, 87.6% of the year's budget.

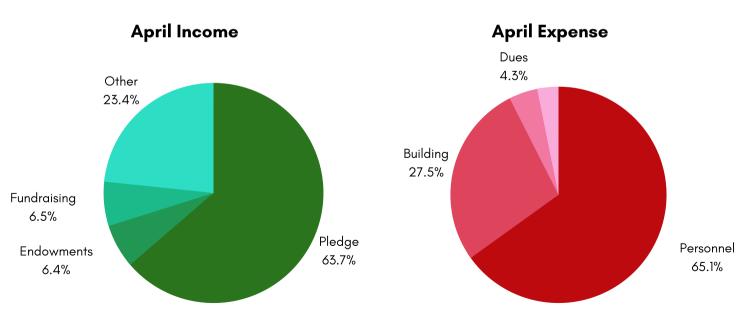
Expenses were \$18,707, creating a loss of (\$9,372) for the month. March's loss was (\$2,725). YTD expenses are \$199,126, 81.5% of the budget. In April 2021, expenses were \$20,161 and that year's YTD expenses were \$187,943, 81.5% of the budget

April 2022 income included pledge of \$5,945. Plate donations were \$441; half the plate was sent to Partners for Peace, which is the domestic violence resource center for Penobscot and Piscataquis Counties. Endowments were \$602, Rental Income was \$1,200, General Fund was \$537, and Fundraising was \$608.

VANCO: In April, 12 people used the Vanco link to make payments totaling \$1,760.98 gross in all categories with a net of \$1,710.01. Fees were \$16.68 and the offset paid was \$32.98. Additional charges invoiced were \$34.29, which includes the monthly fee of \$10 for the site. Donations were: General Fund for \$137, Pledges for \$1,497, Share the Plate for \$92, and Minister's Discretionary \$2.

Expenses for the month break down as Personnel \$12,838 (67% of total costs), Building \$5,417 (26%), Fair Share to the UUA \$845 (4%), Administrative \$627 (5%), and Congregational expenses for \$1,020 (5%) Total expenses for 10 months was 83.5% of the year's budget.

In Service, Rosemary Parsons



### LOOKING AHEAD WITH

### **MEMBERSHIP-FELLOWSHIP**

BY KERRIE O'BRIEN

### 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 Chat with Rev. Drew (formerly Minister's Tea) or a New to UU Class. The next New to UU Classes will be in the Fall. 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/.

### Monthly Chat with Rev. Drew!

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 UU Society of Bangor, and our commUUnity. 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 in June. If you would like to attend, please send an email to uubangoregmail.com

# AT A GLANCE: Mew Members



Lesa Closson & Marshall Smith



Gemma & Michael Scott with Dorothy & Rita



Andrea Walton with Maynard & Olive

### SPIRITUAL EXPLORATION EXPERIENCE

From the bottom of my heart I would like to thank our teachers, our mentors, our storytellers, and our SEAL community members for all of the time and effort they put into helping to create this multifaceted experience for which our young people benefit.

Over the course of the 2021-2022 church year we had seven Zoom rooms, six Circle of Trees and eight In-person Chapels, and offered our much beloved Coming of Age Program.

Even though we were in the midst of a pandemic, we found ways to come together - safely and thoughtfully - and we were here for each other in a meaningful way. We are truly blessed to be part of this awesome community.

In comm-UU-nity,





Held after Zoom Church and Coffee Hour, we split our young people up into several "Rooms."

- Our Pre-K program focused on diversity and inclusion using our expanded Rainbow
   Connection curriculum. We are blessed to have such a large collection of anti-racist stories for our young ones.
- Our first through third graders enjoyed a Doctor Seuss themed storybook program, made art together and enjoyed a bunch of fun of online games.
- Our 4th, 5th and 6th graders came to watch some age-appropriate episodes of The Twilight Zone. It was fun to share and talk about the deeper side of these sometimes wacky stories from the sixties.
- And our 7 thru 9th graders dug deep into several movies using the popcorn theology curriculum. Their conversations were deep and thoughtful and super interesting.
- Our Senior High youth group focused on service projects helping out with the bean supper, food collection and gathered, when it was safe to do so, to hang out and have some fun





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# SPIRITUAL EXPLORATION EXPERIENCE

Our In-person Chapels mixed it up - some were outside and some were back in our church building, when it was safe to do so.

Our Circle in the Trees curriculum revolved around the sacredness of trees and the importance of community. We gathered to connect with our roots, and our trees, and our community in a number of forest systems throughout the Bangor area.

We held our Apple Chapel, a Halloween party, and enjoyed our own version of Maple Syrup Communion. We tie dyed socks to add to the York St Sock Wall for our local houseless community.







We learned about the migratory patterns of native birds via special speaker Danielle d'Auria and got to play a really cool migratory bird game. We made messy seed mud balls and hunted for Easter eggs and enjoyed our awesome newly renovated and updated spiritual exploration wing.

Click to see our End-of-Year Wrap Up Video.





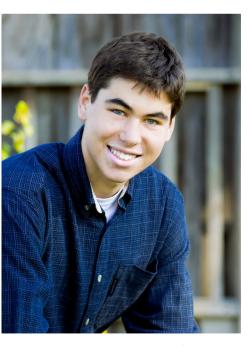


### SPIRITUAL EXPLORATION EXPERIENCE

IN MAY, WE PROUDLY BRIDGED FIVE OF OUR GRADUATING SENIORS



Atticus Foster



Simon Socolow



Kyle McClellan



Lilie Sites



Zachary Spreng

Click to see some great throwback pics and words from our Seniors!

# SAVE THE DATE

We will not be holding day camp in August 2022, but instead plan to enjoy an community picnic.



S.E.E. Annual Beach Picnic

Park's Pond in Eddington

Noon - 3pm

Bring along:

Swimming/water sport gear

Picnic lunch

### WHAT TO EXPECT: FALL 2022

Our SE Action League met to discuss the upcoming church year and we have come up with a tentative plan for at least the first half of the year.

We will continue having our Nursery/PreK class and use our expanded Rainbow Connection program. For our Youngers: K-2nd and 3rd-5th, we will be using Soulful Home, our churchwide, theme based program.

For our Jr High and Sr High crew we'll be running *Crossing Paths*, the Soulful Home version of *Neighboring Faiths*. This program explores both Unitarian Universalism as well as many world faiths through both in-classroom conversation and real world experiences through field trips to many of our area's local houses of faith.

We'll welcome back our entire Community on September 11, 2022 with our Water Communion Service and and plan to start off our S.E.E Classroom schedule with our annual Pancake Breakfast on September 18th.

Please keep an eye on emails and social media outlets as we near those dates to keep abreast of any changes that need to be made due to covid protocols.

# Ringing Bellsand Feeding Souls

Open Air Chimes Concert & Food Collection



On Sunday, June 12, UUSB will, hopefully, 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.



Photo by Ben Speed

In 2022, we have collected 1,334.5 pounds so far! You are making a difference!

Help Needed!!! We need volunteers for June 12, July 10, and August 14!

If we do not have volunteers to bring bins our, collect items, bring bins back into the church, and deliver donations to the Hammond Street Church, we will have to CANCEL our food collections for the summer! Please contact the church office, Valerie Carter, or Suzanne Kelly, if you want to help out with the Feeding Hungry Mainers!

JUNE 25 ~ JULY 23 & 30 ~ AUGUST 27

## **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.

If you have any large paper grocery bags, like from Hannaford2Go, the Bean Supper crew are looking for additional bags to use to send meals home with those who attend each month.



Photo by P.O.sitive Negative via Unsplash



# 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 July, half of the undesignated funds in the plate will go to the Mabel Wadsworth Center. Their mission is to provide health care using a feminist model focused on sexual and reproductive health through education, advocacy, and clinical services. For more information you can visit their website or call (207) 947–5337.



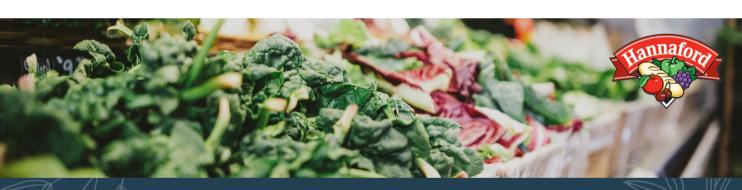
Feminist. Local. Independent.



In August, half of the undesignated funds in the plate will go to the WIC program through Bangor Public Health. WIC is a public health and nutrition program for families. They help families learn about healthy food, provide financial assistance in purchasing food, including at local farmers' markets, as well as supporting other needs to help families thrive.

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





Convenient to carry! Every card purchase helps UUSB!!

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

To purchase your Hannaford card and support UUSB, please purchase after the Sunday service or contact Rosemary.

- Kate Dutra: Sundays in the Dorothy Memorial Hall after the Sunday Service
- Rosemary Parsons: 327-1045, roxemary@gmail.com

Automatic purchases are now available without needing to pickup a new card every time. If you are interested in setting up an automatic grocery card purchase, please contact Rosemary. You can schedule to get your card every other week or get an emailed QR code to scan on your phone in store.

# 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! **The last meeting will be June 14.** Meetings will resume on September 13.

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 enews 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, June 11 @11:00 AM

### **Memorial Service for Maria Hautala**

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

Sunday, June 12 @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.

June 22 - June 26

### **UUA General Assembly**

The UUA will host the General Assembly online and in Portland, OR. Join for a few sessions, the annual meeting, or just for the Sunday service. Registration is required to participate in most events.

Saturday, June 25 @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.

Sunday, June 26 @10:00 AM

#### **Memorial Service for Delores Mekrut**

Join Delores Mekrut's family for a memorial service in-person or on Zoom. The service will be followed by a reception in the Dorothy. After the memorial, the UUA General Assembly Worship will be streamed at 12:30 PM.

### JUNE

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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:**

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Kerrie O'Brien, Chair Valerie Carter, Vice Chair Kate Dutra, Clerk Rosemary Parsons, Treasurer Karen Cashman Jessica Glant Francis Grey

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





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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 23, 2022

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

