



UUSB

# CHALICE & CHIMES

Unitarian Universalist Society of Bangor



## MAY SERVICE HIGHLIGHTS

Our theme this month is **Pluralism**, which is also one of the newly proposed Article II Values, which might replace our current UU Principles & Purposes.

We will also celebrate our SEE participants and Bridging students!

See page 2 for full service descriptions!

Above: Photo of Bangor from the Penobscot River. Photo by Dennis Tangney Jr. via Getty Images Signature.

Right: Photo of multiple faith's symbols by amphotora via Getty Images Signature.

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## MAY EVENT HIGHLIGHTS

S.U.R.E. Meeting on 5/5

Shawl Ministry on 5/7

Food Collection & Drumming on 5/12

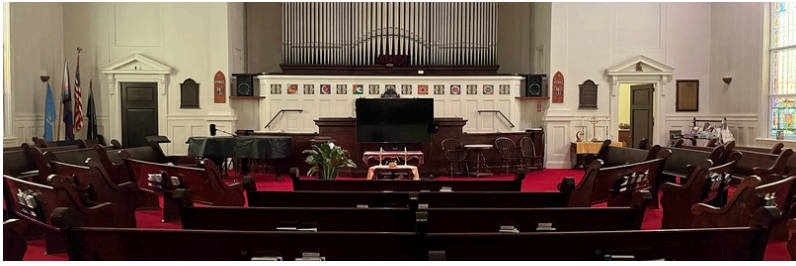
Guild Meeting & Council Meeting on 5/15

Annual Meeting on 5/19

CrUUnes on 5/24

Community Bean Supper on 5/25

Spirit of Drumming on 5/26



# MAY SERVICES

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May 5: "Living Pluralism" with Rev. Drew Moeller

At it's best, pluralism offers an inclusive world view that adds variety to life and social and theological discourse. And sometimes, it also requires us to hold space for uncomfortable or disagreeable things. How can we live into this big idea of pluralism with Love at the center?

This week's worship team is: Rev. Drew Moeller and Linda Sisson. Music will be provided by Jack Derosier.

Meeting ID: 972 5144 8898 Passcode: 451656 [Zoom Link](#)

May 12: "Allowing & Discernment" with Rev. Drew Moeller

The art of allowing is also an incredible spiritual skill that helps us open to new possibilities. Then, the pragmatism of discernment allows us to take wise action and understand the limitations of obstacles. Today, we'll look at these two concepts and how they relate to each other.

This week's worship team is: Rev. Drew Moeller, John Arimond, Julie Eubanks, and Atticus Foster. Music will be provided by the UUSB Choir, Molly J. Webster, and Jack Derosier.

Meeting ID: 990 0052 2068 Passcode: 960007 [Zoom Link](#)

May 19: "SEE Recognition Sunday" with Rev. Drew Moeller and Karen Childs

Join us as we hear from our young people and their teachers about their adventures this year Spiritual Exploration Experience.

This week's worship team is: Rev. Drew Moeller, Karen Childs, Laurie Cartier, John Arimond, and Atticus Foster. Music will be provided by the UUSB Choir, Molly J. Webster, and Jack Derosier.

Meeting ID: 928 0292 2657 Passcode: 883648 [Zoom Link](#)

***Please plan on staying after the service for our UUSB Annual Meeting where we will be electing council members and trustees, approving our 2025 budget, voting on our support for the newly proposed UUA Bylaw Changes and hearing the a report from out congregational survey team.***

*Child care will be available during the meeting - please contact Christine in the office by May 14th if you would like childcare for your children during the meeting.*

May 26: "Memorial Day Service" with Rev. Drew Moeller

Today we will honor and remember those who have given their lives in service our country.

This week's worship team is: Phyllis Havens and Ben Goff. Music will be provided by Linda Koehler and Rissa Moore.

Meeting ID: 959 1272 4840 Passcode: 867697 [Zoom Link](#)

**We Love Your Suggestions!** Do you have a poem, reading, music, story, personal experience, or opinion you want to share in worship? Then Bring It!

The sharing from our members enhances our worship and is part of our covenant of journeying together to find meaning and truth. To share, talk to Rev. Drew, Laurie Cartier (worship chair), Molly Webster (Music Director), or a member of our worship team. We'll do our best to include/incorporate your contributions into our weekly worship experiences.

**Upcoming Themes:** June - Renewal

If you have a favorite hymn, song, reading or story related to any of these themes please share them with us.

# MINISTER'S SCHEDULE

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## **Sunday**

- 10:00 AM UUSB Service
- Afternoon/Evening by Appointment

## **Monday**

- *Minister's Sabbath: Unavailable*

## **Tuesday**

- 10:00-1:00 Open Office Hours
- 2:00-4:00 By Appointment

## **Wednesday**

- 10:00-1:00 Open Office Hours
- 2:00-4:00 By Appointment

## **Thursday**

- *Writing Day: Unavailable*

## **Friday**

- 10:00-1:00 Open Office Hours
- 2:00-4:00 By Appointment

## **Saturday**

- By Appointment Only

### **Please Note:**

Rev. Drew will be away May 29-June 3.

While Rev. Drew does have open office hours, he often has morning meetings that may occur during that time. You may want to call ahead, just to check.

Rev. Drew is also available by appointment outside of offices by appointment. Contact Rev. Drew directly to make an appointment.

# DREW'S VIEWS

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Dear Ones,

May is a month of transition that leads to growth. Just as the climate warms and the ground softens, it's time to prepare our garden beds and begin planting seeds with the hope and faith that those seeds will lead to growth in the future. Something in the air of Spring reminds us of these opportunities and promises—like the warm earth that cradles the seed like a swaddled baby in a warm blanket.

This year, May is especially active in the life of our congregation for two reasons:

First, at our annual meeting, we will be voting on whether our congregation wants to support the newly proposed UUA Article II changes to UUA bylaws. This section of our UUA bylaws is the source of our "Principles & Purposes." It is the part of the UUA bylaws that many of us can quote by heart from "The inherent worth and dignity of every person" (our 1st Principle) to the "Respect for the interdependent web of all existence of which we are apart" (our 7th Principle).

UUSB voting to support or not support these changes is only a first step. The next step is the vote at the UUA General Assembly in June where UUSB and all our sibling congregations will vote on whether or not the UUA will adopt the Article II Bylaw changes. If the bylaw change happens, it will become part of

the UUA bylaws. The final step will be at UUSB's next annual meeting, where we will vote to affirm these finalized changes.

In some ways, this process may not feel as spiritual as the unfolding of Spring, yet it is a testament to our creed-less faith, our deeply held UU value of democratic process, and our ability to grow and change. It is empowering to know that we are part of a faith that does not seal truth into a dogmatic scripture that cannot change ever. And it also brings a bit of awkwardness as we consider letting go of a specific wording and expression of our faith that we have become familiar with. The beauty of this process is that no matter what is decided, it will be a win either way - keeping the old or embracing the new, we are all part of this collective decision-making process.

The other exciting thing that will happen at our annual meeting is that the initial report on our congregational survey will be presented. These survey results are the first step in UUSB's visioning process that will continue this fall. I want to

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extend a heartfelt thank-you to our survey team - Cathy Elliot, Evan Richert and Valerie Carter. I also want to express my deep appreciation to all our UUSB committees who helped develop thoughtful questions used in our survey. And most importantly, I want to thank each and every one of you who took the time to complete the survey. Your thoughtful responses have provided invaluable data that will guide our visioning process for years to come. THANK YOU!

This month, our theme is "The Gift of Pluralism" which is a complex term not often associated with religion. Instead, it is frequently seen as a source of rigidity. Pluralism is "a state of society in which members of diverse ethnic, racial, religious, or social groups maintain and develop their traditional culture or special interest within the confines of a common civilization." Pluralism implies freedom, diversity, equanimity, and inclusion - all qualities I associate with spirituality and Unitarian Universalism.

In many ways, pluralism is perhaps one of the more complex principles to 'live into' and practice in a polarized world, yet I believe it is one of the keys to unlocking the potential of a beloved community. How do we live together with people we disagree with? How do we live in peace with others we disagree with who are trying to convert or pressure us into thinking in ways that are limiting, blaming, shaming, and found to be harmful to the environment, Black, Indigenous, and People of Color (BIPOC)? To me, it's a very delicate balance - leaving space for diversity while at the same time intolerant of abuse and harm.

In our proposed UUA Bylaw changes, the value of pluralism reads thus:

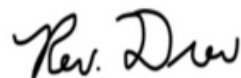
"We celebrate that we are all sacred beings, diverse in culture, experience, and theology."

It goes on to say, "We covenant to learn from one another in our free and responsible search for truth and meaning. We embrace our differences and commonalities with Love, curiosity, and respect."

In short, accepting all beings and diversity is good, and it needs the support of freedom and responsibility to discern the culture and theology causing destruction and harm in question. There are many ways to engage in this discernment. Allowing love, curiosity, and respect to guide us makes a huge difference.

Let us continue to cultivate the seeds of love, curiosity, and respect in our hearts and actions so that we can be part of growing beloved community within our community and beyond. Blessed be!

In kindness and Love,



Rev. Drew



## COUNCIL

Sue McKay, *Chair*  
Tracy Haskell, *Vice Chair*  
Jessica Glant, *Clerk*  
Rosemary Parsons, *Treasurer*  
Zach Falcon  
Francis Grey, Jr.  
Ali Khavari  
Tim Martin  
Erin Seavey

# COUNCIL CRIER

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Dear UUSB Community,

Spring is fast upon us. Local indicators that winter has passed include the annual Kenduskeag Stream Race, sightings of early schools of migrating Alewives, and the upcoming sowing of seeds into the earth at UUSB.

Speaking of sowing seeds... Council affirmed that volunteers are still needed for the collective food garden program at UUSB. Planting is scheduled for April 28 following our service.

A meeting to discuss the proposed FY2025 Budget will be held following our service on April 21. Following that discussion will be a brief presentation and non-binding vote about the proposed Article II changes. We anticipate further discussions around Article II prior to our Annual Meeting vote. The UUA has a number of resources to foster understanding of these proposed changes on their website. Additionally, I found UU Wellspring's Proposed Article II Journal (see photo) to be a helpful resource.



Just as Bob Kelly predicted, unpredicted expenses have cropped up for our Buildings and Grounds. The roof in the Bell Tower has a leak and the area must be repaired to prevent further damages. Council approved the funds for these repairs. Rissa will be meeting with the insurance adjuster later this month and, hopefully, these repairs will be covered.

Tracy presented a draft of our adoption last year of the 8th Principle. This will be added in our shared history, a document that is included in UUSB Board book. She will clarify the votes reported in the 2023 Annual Meeting minutes and provide a second draft to Council in May.

Zach Falcon provided Council with an update on the Security and Safety Protocols Committee. He and Tim have agreed to serve on the committee and are seeking others interested to join them, representatives from SEAL and Buildings and Grounds are especially encouraged to participate. Zach also reported that other local houses of worship are starting to address these issues as well. Council welcomed these collaborative efforts. Council urged scheduling of a fire drill soon as it has been some time since the last one.

UUSB still needs people to serve as delegates to UUA General Assembly. General Assembly is the annual gathering of Unitarian Universalists where we conduct the business of the association, explore the theological underpinnings of our faith and lean

fully into our mission and covenant. Serving as a delegate is a meaningful way to represent our congregation in doing the business of the UUA. Delegates must inform themselves on issues to be considered and attend business meetings where agenda items, such as the proposed changes to Article II, are discussed and voted on. Serving as a delegate is an incredible educational and spiritually nourishing experience. Any UUSB member who is interested please contact Rev. Drew, Sue McKay or Tracy Haskell.

Lastly, once again, a message of gratitude and thanks for our Beloved UUSB Community. Council is grateful for everyone for pitching in, in whatever way you have done; from participating in Fellowship Hour, helping with a clean up day, working on a fundraiser, participating in a committee, greeting a visitor, smiling as you pass in the hallway, or for simply showing up and being with us. A reminder that all are welcome to attend Council meetings, our next will be held on May 15, 2024 at 6:30 pm, if interested please email [uusbclerk@gmail.com](mailto:uusbclerk@gmail.com) for the ZOOM link.

In Faith,  
Tracy Haskell

## ARCHIVES UPDATE!

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Archives has officially and completely moved down to the SE Wing, using half of the storage room and half of the long classroom. The new workspace in the classroom has lots of natural sunlight and an updated work station.

Ben Michaud, a friend of Karen Childs, Director of Spiritual Exploration, has donated a bunch of his time, expertise, and a brand new computer with 1 TB of storage capabilities to UU Bangor for use in the Archives Department!



Ben has also assisted Karen in updating and improving internet access in the SE Wing and the sanctuary. We are incredibly grateful for all of his efforts and help in making life easier for our community!

If you are interested in getting involved with Archives & Heritage, contact Cindy Todd. Help can mean learning more about UUSB's history or helping scan and digitize our records. If you want to help, but don't know how to digitize and organize files, Ben has offered to come in and help get people started with the new computer. We are just happy to get more people involved with maintaining our congregation's heritage.

# TREASURER'S REPORT MAR. 2024

This report covers 75% of the year.

Total income for the month of March was \$17,480. YTD income is \$199,633, 77% of the year's budget. In March 2023, income was \$18,954. Last year's YTD income was \$175,752, 72% of the year's budget.

Expenses were \$23,161, creating a loss of **(\$5,681)** for the month. YTD expenses are \$196,230, 65% of the budget. YTD net income is \$3,403. In March 2023, expenses were \$22,912 and that year's YTD expenses were \$187,531, 76% of the budget. At the end of March 2023, we had a net loss of **(11,779)**. Because we held the Raffle in the Fall, we do not have the large YTD deficit that we had in 2023. However, since the Raffle fell over \$4,000 short of the goal, we are not repeating it in 2024. It is a lot of work for the committee, and members have expressed a dislike for doing it. Therefore, we must rely on other means for bringing in the money, such as increased Hannaford Grocery Card sales.

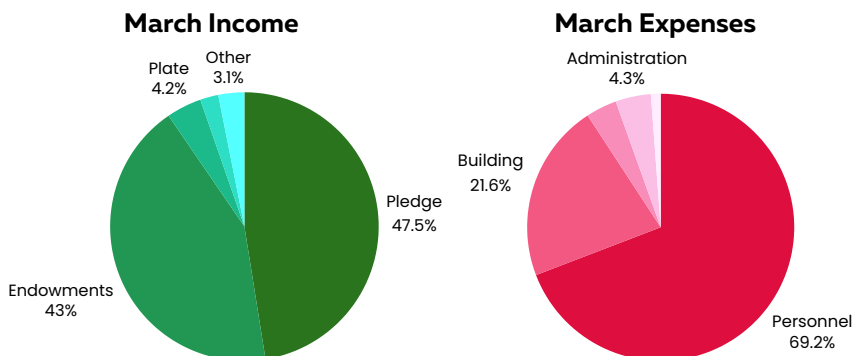
March 2024 income included pledge of \$8,301. Plate donations were \$739. Half the plate was sent to MUUSAN, the Maine UU State Advocacy Network. Endowments were \$7,509. Rental income was \$170. General Fund was \$55. Fundraising was \$384.

VANCO: In March, 13 people used the Vanco link to make payments totaling \$1,697.48 gross in all categories with a net of \$1,648.23. Fees were \$27.94 and the offset paid was \$26.48. Additional charges invoiced were \$27.94, which includes the monthly fee of \$10 for the site. Donations were: General Fund for \$45, Pledges for \$1,506, Share the Plate for \$120.

Expenses for the month break down as Personnel \$16,021 (69% of total expenses), Building \$5,005 (22%), Fair Share to the UUA \$869 (4%), Administrative \$993 (4%), and Congregational expenses for \$273 (1%). Total expenses for 9 months was 75.4% of the year's budget.

As you probably know, the Spring Auction was a tremendous success, bringing in \$10,000 when it was budgeted for \$7,000 (thank you everyone). Building expenses will ease off as the heating season comes to a close.

In Service,  
Rosemary Parsons





# SPIRITUAL EXPLORATION EXPERIENCE

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Howdy Spiritual Explorers!!

Do you believe in SOUP?? I, for one, am a big fan of Souper Sundays here at UU Bangor! All those glorious crockpots full of steaming, aromatic delights – some chunky, some smooth, some thick and stew-y, all made with so many different ingredients, spices, flavors, and textures!

Could you imagine if we all had to believe in was only Chicken Noodle soup – now don't get me wrong – chicken noodle is a valid and delicious concoction – but can you imagine if we could all only bring chicken noodle soup to Souper Sunday? Just pots and pots of Chicken Noodle – we'd all be nourished for sure, but would our tongues be tantalized, our souls be elevated in the same manner as when we are when presented with choices and the interplay of spice and flavors that come with being able to choose from so many different kinds of soup! Tomato! Goulash! Hungarian Mushroom! Vegetarian Chili! Lobster Bisque! Corn Chowder!

So many soups, all coming together – all made with love, created using different traditions, in different kitchens, with different tools, but being placed upon the same table – I love to put so many different kinds of soup into my bowl – further curating a unique flavor profile! Yay for Souper Sunday! So many fragrant steaming pots, filling the room with delicious and inviting aromas, ready to fill us with love, and variety, and nourishment.

This month we are talking about Discovering that ideas, like soup, can be set upon the proverbial community table, offering us a chance to intermingle and interact with them, and bringing along with, the richness of diversity and the blessing of connection, much like our beloved Souper Sunday.

*Karen Childs*

Director of Spiritual Exploration

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## UPCOMING DATES

May 5

**SEE Classes**

SE Wing, 10AM

May 12

**SEE Classes**

SE Wing, 10AM

May 19

**SEE Celebration & Bridging**

SE Wing, 10AM



# THE OFFICE ORGANIZER

Find all your UUSB Church Office Updates in this updated space. You can find publication deadlines, office hours and scheduled closures, as well as important building updates and more!

## May Office Hours & Closures

The in-person office hours for the administrator are generally 10:00 to 2:00 on Tuesday, Wednesday, and Friday.

If you need to meet and can't during the normal in-person hours, please schedule a time ahead and Christine can adjust the flexible hours in the week to meet.

The office will be closed all day on May 3 and May 28. The office will close at noon on Friday, May 24.



## ANNUAL REPORT AVAILABLE BY MAY 12



Please keep an eye out for the 2024 Annual Report in your inboxes by May 12 or earlier.

Thank you to Tim Martin for helping my proofread and finalize this year's Annual Report!

## Important Publication Deadlines

The **Chalice & Chimes** submission deadline for FY2024 is the **20th of each month**. Late submissions can be posted on the website, in the e-news, or the Sunday announcements.

## Submit Announcements by Fridays

To have an announcement read on Sunday morning, it must be submitted to Rev. Drew or the office by Friday before the service.



*Chalice & Chimes* Deadline:  
Monday, May 20

Weekly E-News Deadline:  
Thursdays @10:00

In-Person Office Hours: 10:00-2:00  
Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday

# MEMBERSHIP-FELLOWSHIP

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## **The last Souper Sunday will be April 28**

Everyone is invited to bring a pot of soup, or bread, or a dessert to contribute to the last Souper Sunday this year. Whether you have food to contribute, you are welcome to join everyone for this always tasty meal.

## **Fellowship Hour**

Members, friends, and visitors enjoy socializing with some coffee or juice and other tasty treats during the fellowship hour in the Dorothy after the service. The coffee and refreshments are provided by teams of volunteers each Sunday. (They are the people you see quietly stealing out of the Sanctuary at the beginning of the last hymn.) Each team serves four times a year. If you'd like to be on one of the teams, please contact Cathy Elliott [cathyelliott25@gmail.com](mailto:cathyelliott25@gmail.com).

## **Our Fellowship Hour Teams and Leaders for May are:**

May 5 – Team C – Team Leader Eleanor Steele

May 12 – Team J – Team Leader Patty Alcott

May 19 – Team I – Team Leaders Bridgette Chalila and Wendy Sites

May 26 – Team K – Team Leader Kayla Worthington-Strong

## **THANK YOU to all the volunteers who make our Fellowship Hour possible!**

**Next Chat with Reverend Drew** will be Sunday, June 9, following the service. The "Chat" is a good way to learn more about our UU congregation. It's also a good time to ask questions of Reverend Drew in a small informal setting. So get some treats and coffee in the Dorothy and head back into the Sanctuary at 11:15 for some great conversation guided by your interests.

**Questions?** You can contact a member of the Membership Fellowship Committee:

Evan Richert [evanrichert771@gmail.com](mailto:evanrichert771@gmail.com), Cathy Elliott [cathyelliott25@gmail.com](mailto:cathyelliott25@gmail.com), Betsy Reed [luckebetsy@gmail.com](mailto:luckebetsy@gmail.com), Linda Sisson [contrabanjo@gmail.com](mailto:contrabanjo@gmail.com), or Eleanor Steele [elsteele99@yahoo.com](mailto:elsteele99@yahoo.com).

# COMMUNITY BEAN SUPPER

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May 25 @4:00 PM in the Dorothy

Everyone is invited to join community members and our amazing volunteers for our monthly community bean supper!

Meals may be eaten at UUSB in the Dorothy Memorial Hall or taken home in to-go containers. This allows us to enjoy the community and social aspects of this monthly event, while still accommodating those who may be unable to attend in person.



# SMALL GROUPS

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## Mindfulness Meditation Group

We will meet every Tuesday in May from 5:45 to 7:00.

You can join in-person or online. The group will not meet on April 16.

This meditation group is accessible to meditators of all experience levels, including people new to meditation. The program consists of walking and sitting meditation and a Dharma lesson with group discussion. The group intends to meet in a supportive, friendly, and non-judgmental environment. Each session is self-contained

material-wise. Regular attendance is helpful though optional.

Drop-ins are always welcome, though we encourage newcomers to arrive or sign in fifteen minutes early (at 5:30 PM). Signing in and coming early allows newcomers to meet Rev. Drew and help Rev. Drew learn more about newcomers' familiarity with meditation, as well as a chance to settle in and receive a brief introduction to sitting and walking meditation and the group process before the group begins promptly at 5:45 PM.

The group begins promptly at 5:45 PM. Don't hesitate to get in touch with Rev. Drew Moeller if you have questions @ [drewuu2@gmail.com](mailto:drewuu2@gmail.com).

This program is free of charge to ALL. If one wishes to make a free-will offering (dana) to the group, one can do so in person in our dana basket, cash, check, or online. Checks can be made to "UUSB" with "Meditation Group" in the memo/notes line.

## UUSB Choir

The UUSB Choir meets weekly, every Thursday from 5:30 - 6:30pm in the sanctuary! The group is looking forward to providing music every other week for our services! If you are interested in joining the choir (or in other musical outlets), please reach out to our Music Director, Molly J. Webster for more information: [uusbmusic@gmail.com](mailto:uusbmusic@gmail.com).

## Spirit of Drumming

May 12 & 26 at 11:30 AM in the Sanctuary

The Spirit of Drumming Circle is led by Laurie Cartier, LyAnn Grogan and Jim Shimko. With a variety of drumming including basic instruction, directed rhythms, and jamming to a song or the monthly theme, we rock out in the sanctuary every second and fourth Sunday after church. We start about 11:30 and drum until 1. No experience is necessary. We have a good supply of drums or you can bring your own. We hope you will join us soon.





# SMALL GROUPS

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## Shawl Ministry

May 7 at 6:30 PM in the Dorothy

Are you interested in knitting or crocheting? Are you interested in creating gifts for beloved members of our community?

You don't have to have any experience with knitting or crocheting ahead of time to join the Shawl Ministry. Bring your own supplies or borrow some. All that matters is you come and join the fun!

## CrUUnes

May 24 at 3:00 PM at Ann Perkins' House

We welcome all single self-identified crones who are members of the church!

Please bring a dish for potluck if able. The plan is to chat and hydrate, brief program, share, eat and chat more!

Meetings are generally on the last Friday of each month. Any questions, please call Anne at 478-7091.

## UUSB Guild

May 15 at 11:30 AM in the Dorothy

The UUSB Guild meets monthly to discuss business, share good company, and enjoy a variety of guest speakers throughout the year. One part of the Guild's business is helping keep UUSB beautiful, welcoming, and loved. Recently, they are working to update and maintain the Dorothy Memorial Hall. They have purchased a second folding wall, so that UUSB has one for the Dorothy and the Vestry. And, as pictured here and on the front page, they recently purchased a new cover for the piano in the Dorothy.

Recent guest presenters have included Rev. Drew, speaking about his time at the meditation retreat last winter, and Mike Howard, speaking about basic income.



# SHARE THE PLATE

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Every Sunday, we share half of our undesignated plate offerings with an organization that works toward our UU values. In May, half of the undesignated funds in the plate will go to Partners for Peace. Partners for Peace works to end domestic violence in Penobscot and Piscataquis Counties. They provide support, advocacy, and safety planning to anyone affected by domestic abuse. They foster

safe and healthy relationships through prevention, education, and training. Together with our community, they recognize the nature of abuse, respond to it, and change the conditions which lead to it.

In March, we shared \$370 with Maine UU State Advocacy Network (MUUSAN)! You can give to the collection plate through the UUSB website and Vanco or by mailing a check to the church office.



## GIFT CARD FUNDRAISER

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Convenient to carry! Every card purchase helps UUSB!!

Cards are available in increments of \$25, \$50, \$100, \$200, \$300, or \$500.

Cash, or checks made out to UUSB are accepted.

Buy cards for your own grocery shopping, which you can use to shop in store or to order your groceries for curbside pickup or delivery! You can also buy cards to gift to friends and family or to donate 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





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<p><b>Pluralism</b></p> <p><b>MAY</b></p> <p>2024</p> 			<p><b>1</b></p> <p>5:30 PM Worship Meeting</p>	<p><b>2</b></p> <p>3:00 PM Survey Team Meeting</p> <p>5:30 PM Choir</p>	<p><b>3</b></p> <p><b>Office Closed</b></p>	<p><b>4</b></p>
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<p><b>5</b></p> <p>10:00 AM Service</p> <p>SEE Classes</p> <p>11:30 AM S.U.R.E. Meeting</p>	<p><b>6</b></p>	<p><b>7</b></p> <p>5:45 PM Meditation Group</p> <p>6:30 Shawl Ministry</p>	<p><b>8</b></p> <p><b>Committee Reports Due</b></p> <p>6:30 PM Membership- Fellowship Meeting</p>	<p><b>9</b></p> <p>5:30 PM Choir</p> <p>7:00 PM Executive Committee</p>	<p><b>10</b></p> <p>10:00 AM Budget &amp; Finance</p>	<p><b>11</b></p>
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<p><b>12</b></p> <p>10:00 AM Service</p> <p>SEE Classes</p> <p>Food Collection</p> <p>11:30 Drumming</p>	<p><b>13</b></p>	<p><b>14</b></p> <p>5:45 PM Meditation Group</p>	<p><b>15</b></p> <p>11:30 AM Guild Meeting</p> <p>2:30 PM Pastoral Care Team</p> <p>6:30 PM Council Meeting</p>	<p><b>16</b></p> <p>5:30 PM Choir</p> <p>7:45 PM Communication Committee</p>	<p><b>17</b></p>	<p><b>18</b></p>
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<p><b>19</b></p> <p>10:00 AM SEE Celebration &amp; Bridging Service</p> <p>11:00 AM Annual Meeting</p>	<p><b>20</b></p> <p><b>Chimes &amp; Chimes Submission Deadline</b></p>	<p><b>21</b></p> <p>5:45 PM Meditation Group</p> <p>6:30 PM Building &amp; Grounds</p>	<p><b>22</b></p>	<p><b>23</b></p> <p>5:30 PM Choir</p>	<p><b>24</b></p> <p>9:00 AM Shared Ministry</p> <p>12:00 PM Office Closing Early</p> <p>3:00 PM CrJUnes</p>	<p><b>25</b></p> <p>10:00 AM Bag Lunch Prep</p> <p>3:00 PM Supper Prep</p> <p>4:00 PM Bean Supper</p>
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<p><b>26</b></p> <p>10:00 AM Service</p> <p>11:30 AM Drumming</p>	<p><b>27</b></p>	<p><b>28</b></p> <p><b>Office Closed</b></p> <p>5:45 PM Meditation Group</p>	<p><b>29</b></p> <p>Rev. Drew Off</p>	<p><b>30</b></p> <p>Rev. Drew Off</p> <p>5:30 PM Choir</p>	<p><b>31</b></p>	
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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 it 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*

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## Church Council:

Sue McKay, Chair  
Tracy Haskell, Vice Chair  
Jessica Glant, Clerk  
Rosemary Parsons, Treasurer  
Zach Falcon  
Francis Grey, Jr.  
Ali Khavari  
Tim Martin  
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on the third Wednesday  
of each month.

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## About Our Newsletter

The *Chalice and Chimes* is published ten times a year (Sept-June). 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 20, 2024**

The next issue will be June 2024. We value your contributions and very much appreciate submissions. When sending email contributions to The *Chalice & Chimes*: [uubangor@gmail.com](mailto:uubangor@gmail.com)