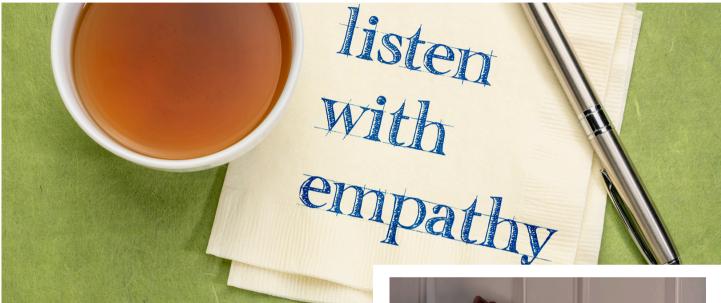
October 2024



CHALICE & CHIMES

Unitarian Universalist Society of Bangor



OCTOBER SERVICE HIGHLIGHTS

Our theme this month is the **Practice of Deep Listening**.

We will talk about land acknowledgements. We will also listen to the voices of those dealing with homelessness and addiction with Needlepoint Sanctuary.

See page 2 for full service descriptions!



Photo of the new plaque on the new Dorothy Memorial Hall Door. Plaque reads, "Door to the Future. Funded by a bequest from Charles & Judith Boothby. June 9, 2024." Photo provided by Kirby Ellis.

OCTOBER EVENT HIGHLIGHTS

Meditation Group 10/1, 10/8, 10/22, & 10/29 Shawl Ministry 10/1 Yard Sale Item Dropoff 10/12-17 Great Pumpkin Yard Sale 10/19 Spirit of Drumming 10/13 & 10/27 Minister's Chat 10/20 Guild Meeting 10/16 CrUUnes 10/25

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120 PARK ST BANGOR, ME 04401 SUNDAYS AT 10:00 AM (207) 947–7009 WWW.UUBANGOR.ORG UUBANGOR@GMAIL.COM



OCTOBER SERVICES

This year, we will be using the same Zoom meeting information every Sunday. If there is a change, it will be announced in the weekly e-news and Sunday service emails.

Sunday Service Zoom Information:

Meeting ID: 965 7817 0239 Passcode: 666892 Zoom Link

October 6: "Listening to Our 'Still Small Voice'" with Rev. Margaret Beckman In these challenging times of information overload and the need to constantly work hard to discern truth from lies, fact from fiction, health from disease, can we our trust our own inner wisdom to lead us toward a more calm and grounded place of both rest and activism? Our Unitarian Universalist path is perfectly situated to guide each of us across the landscape of both beauty and terror we are now traveling.

This week's worship team is: Margaret Beckman, Phyllis Havens, Keri Phipps, and Atticus Foster. Music will be provided by Rissa Moore.

October 13: "Bringing Love to the Center" with Rev. Drew Moeller

In our time, many institutions have put intentional energy into acknowledging the tribal lands upon which Indigenous people once lived but are now occupied by white colonial society. This well-intentioned practice has positive aspects, but some are not as well received by Indigenous people. Today, we will look at the practices of land acknowledgments and how creating a land acknowledgment could be helpful or harmful to our efforts to support tribal sovereignty for the Wabanaki people here in Maine by putting Love at the center.

This week's worship team is: Rev. Drew Moeller, Sue McKay, John Arimond, and Atticus Foster. Music will be provided by the UUSB Choir and Sojourner Crowley.

October 20: "Beyond Addiction - Getting to the Root of Sensible Maladaptation"

with Rev. Drew Moeller & Willie Hurley, Executive Director of Needlepoint Sanctuary Often, when we talk about the challenges of our society, like addiction and homelessness, we find our minds judging those most affected. But what if we look beyond the conditions and instead work to understand the causes that lead to the natural human response to causes of despair, harm, and woundedness caused by a world that sometimes becomes more than we can bear?

This week's worship team is: Rev. Drew Moeller, Laurie Cartier, Keri Phipps, and Atticus Foster. Music will be provided by the UUSB Choir and Sojourner Crowley.

October 27: "Listening to the Whispers of Our Ancestors" with Rev. Drew Moeller Many cultures recognize this time of year as one that brings a sense of melancholy as we celebrate the harvest, the waning of the days, and the remembrance of loved ones who have died. Today, we will remember our loved ones and talk about how we can listen to their wisdom still speaking to us today by opening our hearts and minds to the possibility that their consciousness is still speaking to us today. Please bring a photo or memento of a beloved person or pet to adorn our altar as we create space to hear the voices of those who have passed but live on in our memories. To put us in the mood, we invite our young people of all ages to wear their Halloween costumes to the service.

This week's worship team is: Rev. Drew Moeller, Laurie Cartier, Sue McKay, and Atticus Foster. Music will be provided by Sojourner Crowley.

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 or a member of our worship team. We'll do our best to include/incorporate your contributions into our weekly worship experiences.

2024-2025 Soul Matters Themes

November	-	Practice of Repair
December	-	Practice of Presence
January	-	Practice of Story
February	-	Practice of Inclusion
March	-	Practice of Trust
April	-	Practice of Joy
Мау	-	Practice of Imagination
June	-	Practice of Freedom

Second Sunday Food Collection

On **Sunday**, **October 13**, UUSB will once again host our Second Sunday Food Drive, the church's monthly community food collection. This month, we will begin collecting food during the service, instead of after the service.

In FY2024, we donated 1,242 pounds of food!

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.

If you aren't sure what to give, they are always looking for cereal, canned fruit, canned baked beans, pasta, and sauce!



MINISTER'S SCHEDULE

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's regular weekend off for the month is October 5-6.

He will also be attending the Northern New England UU Minister Association Retreat in Greenfield, NH October 15–18.

His scheduled Sunday off for next month will be November 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.



Rev. Drew invites you to our inaugural Worship Lab on **October 13 at 11:30** (after the service).

The worship lab is an opportunity for UUSB friends and members to brainstorm thoughts and ideas surrounding our monthly themes to support our worship planning.

The theme for November is "The Practice of Repair." Bring your thoughts and ideas around this theme or any other theme that you'd like to hear explored in worship. Bring your open mind and suggestions for readings, music, and stories.

DREW'S VIEWS

Greetings Dear Ones,

Fall is hear and the change of the world around is us is very noticeable as plants ripen and leaves change and shorter days slowly creep into our awareness.

One of many spiritual skills we have available to us - that help us gain wisdom and insight is the practice of deep listening. Listening to others in a deep way by putting aside our biases or preconceived notions. Those preconceived notions often help us cut to the quick of knowledge without getting caught up in the details that get in the way. Mark Nepo - poet and philosopher, very clearly and succinctly gets right to the center of the practice of deep listening by saying:

"We all suffer, at times, from the effort to study something instead of living it. Or from the effort to fix or advise rather than to listen and to hold. But as the theologian Paul Tillich put it, 'the first duty of love is to listen.'

"When I think of the times that I've truly listened in my life – to the seas and less slapping, to the sighs of my grandmother, when she thought no one was near, to the pains of others that I have caused – it is receiving these truths that has made me a better man."

So often we refuse to listen, we become obsessed with remaking the world in our own image, rather than opening to the spirit with us to the spirit of what it is.

At the deepest level, ours is not to make ourselves heard, but to be still enough to hear. As the native American Elder Sa'k'ej Henderson says, "to truly listen is to risk being changed forever."

I know that as I continue to develop my spiritual practices, the concept of deep listening is perhaps one of the most profound. Being able to sit with people and letting go of my wants and hopes for others allows be to be fully present to their experiences and allow the space to explore and ask questions that help people find their own inner wisdom which is freeing and liberating for the person involved. When I sit and listen to my hearts own song - and look beyond the noise of the shoulds and oughts of my own preconceived expectations -(which are often other people's expectations that I have made my own) - it is then that I make better decisions or at least decisions that lead to greater growth and intimacy with life.

That doesn't make the struggles and suffering of life go away, but it does

STAFF

Rev. Andrew Moeller, Settled Minister drewuu2@gmail.com Kaz Childs, Director of Spiritual Exploration uubangorre@gmail.com Christine Sprague, Office Administrator uubangor@gmail.com Sojourner Crowley, Music Director uusbmusic@gmail.com make the suffering more bearable because I know that it is leading to the development of greater love, wisdom and understanding.

Following that sentiment, this month on October 13 after the service I am going to hold our first "Worship Lab." This will be an opportunity for our members and guests to come down to my office and share with me some of the themes and spiritual issues that are most speaking to them as a way of providing me some insight into developing worship themes for the coming months. Please come - so I can listen.

May the beauty of the season inspire you listen more deeply to your own hearts hopes, fears and yearnings.

I look forward to being with you on the journey.

Namasté, and Love,

Rev. Drw

Rev. Drew

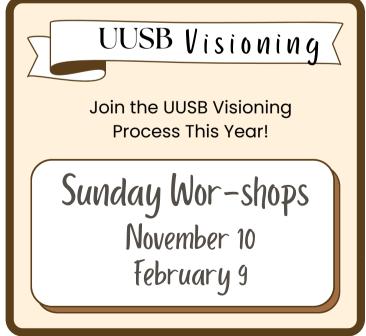


Update: Ukrainian Relief with the Hungarian Unitarian Church

Over the last couple years, UUSB has helped with Ukrainian relief efforts. Part of that has been sharing our plate with the Hungarian Relief for Ukraine fund.

Above are photos of the 8th aid shipment to Southern Ukraine in March 2024 (Odessa and Liubashivka).

Below are photos of the 10th and 11th aid shipments to Transcarpathia in October 2023 and July 2024.





COUNCIL

Sue McKay, *Chair* Zach Falcon, *Vice Chair* Tom Armstrong, *Clerk* Eric Strong, *Treasurer* Kim Boucher Francis Grey Tracy Haskell Tim Martin Erin Seavey

COUNCIL CRIER

Dear UUSB Community,

October has arrived and with it Maine's foliage season begins in earnest! I love the palette of colors that is brushed across the landscape and welcome the cooler temperatures.

Council has a very special surprise for everyone this month.... We will be having a fire drill! Ensuring the

safety of our community is paramount and we are grateful to Zach for spearheading this practice drill. Please look for more details within *Chalice & Chimes* and our weekly e-news.

Additionally Zach has identified four key priority actions to improve safety this year: improving signage to manage access and movement securely, compartmentalization; securing various internal spaces, training and drills, and improving the ability to communicate between different parts of the building.

We have an exciting slate of UUSB fundraising opportunities this autumn. I hope you have read the emails about the cool merch that Erin and Kaz have designed for our community. You can take a look and purchase your UUSB swag here: <u>http://www.goodwinglassandgraphics.com/universalist-unitarian-society-of-bangor/</u>

And, if you are not able to access the online order form Erin will be ready after services to place your online order for you! Choose what you would like to order, provide payment to Erin and she will then take care of the rest.

As the cooler temperatures arrive, Council and Buildings & Grounds are thinking about the possibility of using UUSB as a Warming Center once again. The first warming center was held in the vestry in 2023, organized by Needlepoint Sanctuary. Council has since voted to hold future warming center events in the Dorothy. If wind chill of -25 degrees, we may consider opening warming center. Tim has agreed to work with NPS to draft a Warming Center protocol and plan.

Save the dates! Congregational Visioning Conversations: November 10 February 9

Fundraising is vital for UUSB to thrive. I know sometimes it may feel like we talk about raising money a lot, but well, it takes a lot of money to support the things we value-especially our staff. So, please add these fundraising and caretaking dates to your calendar:

October 19 Yard Sale

November 16 Fall Clean-up from 8 am to noon

December 7 Wreath Sale TBD Gift Basket Auction

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 September 18, 2024 at 6:30 pm., if interested please email <u>uusbclerk@gmail.com</u> for the ZOOM link.

In Faith, Tracy Haskell

SHARE THE PLATE



Every Sunday, we share half of our undesignated plate offerings with an organization that works toward our UU values. In October, half of the undesignated funds in the plate will go to Health Equity Alliance (HEAL). Their mission is to create a world in which all people are valued and celebrated and health disparities such as

HIV, Hepatitis C, and AIDS-related deaths are nonexistent. They facilitate collaboration, education, advocacy, and action for marginalized communities to improve their health and well-being and affect social and cultural change.

For more information, visit <u>mainehealthequity.org</u> or call (207) 990-3626.



In August, we shared \$92 with our UUSB Food Programs!

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

FY2025 Share the Plate Recipients

July - Wilson CenterJanuary - Shaw HouseAugust - UUSB Food ProgramsFebruary - UUSB Food ProgramsSeptember - Partners for PeaceMarch - MUUSANOctober - Health Equity AllianceApril - FLIANovember - Penquis LIHEAPMay - Bangor Humane SocietyDecember - Bangor Area Homeless ShelterJune - UUSB Food Programs

SPIRITUAL EXPLORATION EXPERIENCE

Our youth programming is a family forward, deep reaching, full-of-fun community focused on providing folks an opportunity to search for the sacred, seek out the needs of neighbors, and find love and light in the world around us.

2024-25 Groupings:

Our Littles, including our Pre-K and Kindergarten friends, will be focusing on diversity and inclusion using our expanded Rainbow Connection curriculum. This program explores stories and offers fun activities themed around the J.E.T.P.I.G. Values, surrounded by Love

Our First thru Sixth Grader will be participating in E.P.I.C. Equal Partners in Community programming. This play-based, skill-building framework aims to meet kids' spiritual need to engage in community, by using movement, art, and conversation, helping our young people to become active and loving cocreators of Unitarian Universalist congregational life

Our Jr & Sr High Youth will be sharing time together using our theme-based, Soul Matter's programming. This program offers a flexible approach to experiential learning and fun, with an emphasis on creating community

SEPTEMBER ~ **INVITATION**

22nd – 1st Day SEE Classes 29th – Climate REvival

OCTOBER ~ **DEEP LISTENING**

6th – SEE Classes 13th – NO SEE Programming 20th – SEE Classes 27th – Halloween Hullabaloo

NOVEMBER ~ **REPAIR**

3rd – SEE Classes 10th – WORKship – InterGEN 17th – Solidarity Harvest 24th – NO SEE Programming

DECEMBER ~ **PRESENCE**

1st - NO SEE Programming 8th - SEE Classes 15th - SEE Classes 22th - NO SEE Programming 29th - NO SEE Programming

JANUARY ~ STORY

5th – SEE Classes 12th – SEE Classes 19th – NO SEE Programming 26th – SEE Classes UUSB has new merch!!!!

Represent UUSB on your shirt, hat, drinks, and groceries!

Check out all the options at <u>goodwinglassandgraphics.com/universalis</u> <u>t-unitarian-society-of-bangor</u>.

You can order until October 15.

Items will be available soon after and can be picked up at Sunday services.

If you have questions, please contact Erin Seavey by erinseavey1@gmail.com or (207) 745-5783.





THE OFFICE ORGANIZER

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

October Office Hours & Closures

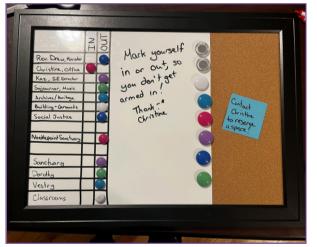
The in-person office hours are generally 10:00 to 2:00 on Tuesday, Wednesday, and Friday.

The monthly staff meeting will be on **Tuesday, October 1**, so the office will open around 11:30 AM.

The office will close early on Wednesday, October 23 and Friday, October 25.

The office will be closed on Tuesday, October 8 and Tuesday, October 15.





Mailboxes & In/Out Board

For those who don't know, we have a set of drawers that function as internal mailboxes for the UUSB congregation and some of our regular building users. I am in the process of updating the labels for a refreshed look and to match our current congregational life.

We are also going to hang out new In/Out Board and communication station near the mailboxes. This will help us communicate who is in the building, so nobody is getting locked in with the alarm. So, please check outside Rev. Drew's office when you arrive and let us know if someone's in the building!

Important Publication Deadlines

The **Chalice & Chimes** submission deadline for FY2025 is the **20th of each month**. Late submissions can be posted on the website, in the e-news, or the Sunday announcements. The next deadline is October 20.

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: Friday, September 20 Weekly E-News Deadline: Thursdays @10:00 In-Person Office Hours: 10:00-2:00 Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday

MEMBERSHIP-FELLOWSHIP

Fellowship Hour

We hope you'll join us Sundays following the service in the Dorothy for socializing and refreshments. The refreshments are provided and served by volunteer teams. Each team serves four times a year. If you'd like to join a team, contact Cathy Elliott at cathyelliott25@gmail.com.

Our Fellowship Hour Teams and Leaders for October are:

Oct. 6 Team G - Judy & Tim Martin

Oct. 13 Team I - Rob Spreng

Oct. 20 Team E - Erin Seavey

Oct. 22 Team B Phyllis Havens

Thank you to all who make our Fellowship Hour so enjoyable!

Looking for People to be Sunday Greeters

We need a few more volunteers to welcome people to our Sunday services. This is a wonderful way to connect to folks and be helpful. If you would like to help out, contact Cathy Elliott at cathyelliott25@gmail.com.

Chat with the Minister

The next chat with Reverend Drew will be Sunday, October 20, following the service. These chats, which occur throughout the church year, provide an informal way to make your voice heard, ask questions and get to know more about Unitarian Universalism and our congregation. So grab a coffee and goodie and join in. Everyone, newcomers and old comers are welcome!

New to UU Class

The next New to UU Class will be Saturday, November 2, from 9am to 11am at UUSB. This class is for anyone interested in learning more about Unitarian Universalism and our congregation and for those who are interested becoming members. To attend, please email the office administrator, Christine Sprague, at uubangor@gmail.com.

Becoming a Member of UUSB

If you want to become a member of our congregation, here's what's required:

1. Attend a Chat with the Minister or a New to UU class.

- 2. Read our self-study guide, Getting to Know Us, available on our website at:
 - https://uubangor.org/new-to-uusb-2/uusb-self-study-guide/
- 3. Complete a Request for Membership form and a Pledge form, also on our website (same address as the self-study guide).
- 4. Sign the UUSB Membership Book

Questions?

Email UUSB at: uubangor@gmail.com or call 207-947-7009.

The next Membership/Fellowship Committee will be held Wednesday, October 9, 6:30pm at Cathy Elliott's house.

The Membership/Fellowship Committee would love to hear from you.

Please get in touch with us with your suggestions, questions or whatever is on your mind.

Linda Sisson contrabanjo@gmail.com, Cathy Elliott cathyelliott25@gmail.com,

Evan Richert evenrichert771@gmail.com, or Eleanor Steele elsteele99@yahoo.com.



Member & Friends Directory Updates Needed by November 1

Our Directory is provided to members and friends of UUSB and is invaluable in helping us stay in touch with one another. Help us keep it up to date.

For photo updates, please use a portrait orientation to fit the directory layout. Photos can be individuals or households. Linda Sisson, will also be on hand to take headshots of those who want a photo included in their new listing or need to update their current photo. Look for her by the piano during Fellowship Hour.

There will be copies of the current Directory on tables in the Dorothy each Sunday in October. **Please review your listing and make any corrections or updates** as needed. Changes can be emailed to uubangor@gmail.com or you can complete the slip and submit that.

To get the digital directory, please email uubangor@gmail.com. For the privacy of members and friends, the directory is not posted in any public database, so an email is required.

FY2025 Directory Update

Please only list information you want to appear in the directory. If you have additional private updates for church records, please contact the office directly or make a note of what you do or do not want published.

Household Members: _____

Mailing Address: _____

Name:

Home Phone: (_____) ____ - _____

Cell Phone 1: (____) ____ - _____ Cell Phone 2: (____) ____ - _____

Email 1: _____

Email 2: _____

SMALL GROUPS



Mindfulness Meditation Group

We will meet on Tuesdays, October 1, 8,22, & 29 from 5:45 to 7:00. You can join in-person or online.

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. Don't hesitate to get in touch with Rev. Drew Moeller if you have questions email Rev. Drew at <u>drewuu2@gmail.com</u>.

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, Sojourner Crowley for more information: <u>uusbmusic@gmail.com</u>.

Spirit of Drumming

October 13 & 27 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



Shawl Ministry

October 1 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

October 25 at 4:00 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

October 16 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. They also recently purchased a new cover for the piano in the Dorothy.

COMMUNITY BEAN SUPPER

October 26 @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.



GIFT CARD FUNDRAISER

Convenient to carry! Every card purchase helps UUSB!!! 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.

Cards are available in increments of \$25, \$50, \$100, \$200, \$300, or \$500. Cash, or checks made out to UUSB are accepted.

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

FAIR TRADE FUNDRAISER

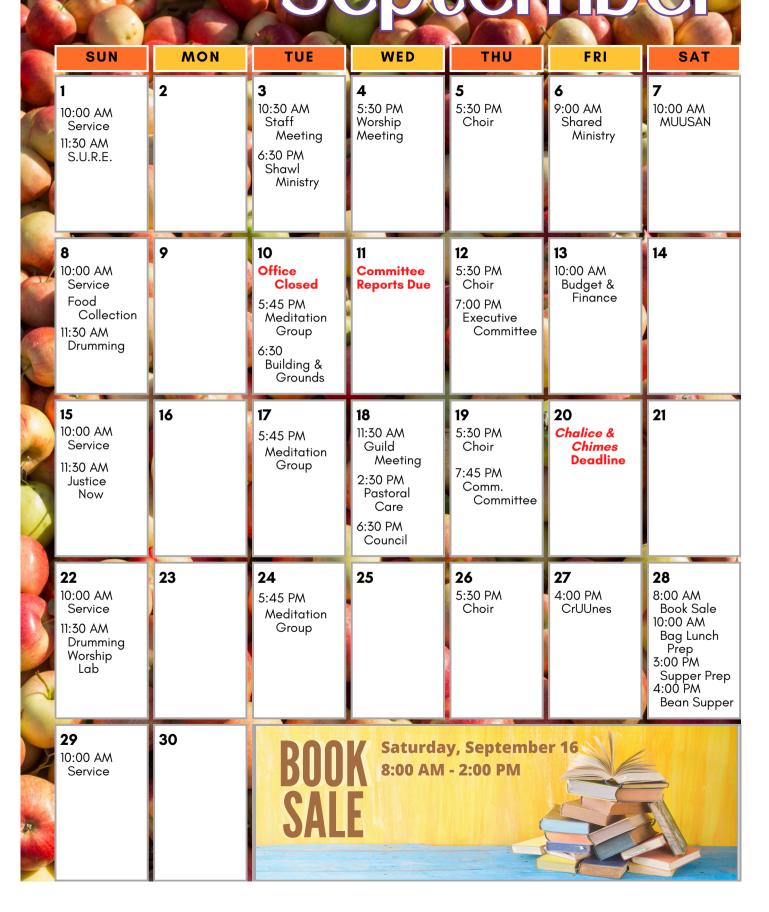
Every week, you can find a selection of coffees, chocolates, and more on the shelves in the Dorothy Memorial Hall. All are sold at comparable prices to what you find in grocery stores. For the same prices, you can help support UU values and organizations!

This fundraiser started with the Unitarian Universalist Service Committee Coffee Project in 2007. The UUSC partnered with Equal Exchange, a fair trade organization. Through partnerships like this, farmers in Central America, South America, Africa, and the Middle East can earn a fair price for their products and access affordable credit. For each pound of coffee, tea, or chocolate purchased by UU congregations, Equal Exchange makes a contribution to UUSC's activities in the farmers' growing regions. We sell the coffee, tea, and chocolate at a competitive price. It is a win-win-win situation for the farmers, the UUSC, and UUSB.

Please support UUSB's fair trade project by locating the sales table in the Dorothy on Sundays and buying Equal Exchange products!



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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:

Sue McKay, *Chair* Zach Falcon, *Vice Chair* Tom Armstrong, *Clerk* Eric Strong, *Treasurer* Kim Boucher Francis Grey Tracy Haskell Tim Martin Erin Seavey

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

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Sojourner Crowley, Music Director uusbmusic@gmail.com Atticus Foster, AVS Tech

About Our Newsletter

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