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Annual Meeting May 19th, 2019

To all members of the Unitarian Universalist Church of Concord,
You are hereby notified that the Annual Meeting of the Church will be held on Sunday, May 19, 2019 in Fellowship Hall, immediately following the regular church service, to consider and act upon the following articles:

- ARTICLE 1** To adopt a budget for 2019 - 20.
- ARTICLE 2** To receive and accept the minutes of the 2018 Annual Meeting.
- ARTICLE 3** To receive and accept the Slate of Candidates for the Board of Trustees, Officers, and Trust Fund Committee.
- ARTICLE 4** To authorize the withdrawal of up to \$30,000 from the endowment to fund:
1. Removal & replacement of 10 exterior posts to the west of Fellowship Hall.
 2. Repair of the exposed portions of the horizontal roof beams.
- ARTICLE 5** To receive and accept a proposed change to the Bylaws, Article IV, providing for the option of paper ballot voting at Church meetings and for a change in the date of the Annual Meeting.
- ARTICLE 6** To receive and accept a proposed change to the Bylaws, Article VI, changing the term of service for the Board of Trustees.
- ARTICLE 7** To receive and accept a proposed change to the Bylaws, Article II and Article V, Sec 4, to eliminate the use of a corporate seal.
- ARTICLE 8** To receive and accept a proposed change to the Bylaws, Article III, pertaining to certain exceptions to pledge obligations for membership.
- ARTICLE 9** To receive and accept a proposed change to the Bylaws, Article IX, Sec 1, pertaining to confidentiality of Personnel records.
- ARTICLE 10** To receive and accept the Annual Reports published in the Annual Meeting Prep Packet.
- ARTICLE 11** To act upon such additional business as may appropriately be brought before the meeting.

(A 2/3 majority vote of approval by the members present would be necessary to pass ARTICLE 4, ARTICLE 5, ARTICLE 6, ARTICLE 7, ARTICLE 8 and ARTICLE 9.)

Richard A Bennett

Chair, Board of Trustees

Interested people are welcome to come to the meeting and may speak when properly recognized by the moderator, but may not vote unless their name is included on the list of members posted in the church 15 days in advance of the meeting, pursuant to Article IV, Section 4 of the church's Bylaws.

*Connecting
in Love
and Service*

*Growing
Spiritually*

*Transforming
Ourselves and
the World*

May Worship Services | Theme: Wonder

Livestream our worship services at concorduu.org/live

May 5, 2019 | 10 am | “Putting On Your Wonderwear” | Rev. Michael Leuchtenberger

Life without a sense of wonder is like music without sound or rhythm. Opening ourselves to the awe of what is known and unknown is central to us as spiritual beings, to the experience of the divine, to glimpsing that which transcends the confines of who we think ourselves to be as mortals bounded by time and space. What would your wonder journal look like? What stories would it tell of mysteries you’ve encountered? Of moments that amazed you? Of awe that has struck and shaped your heart and soul? Wonder is possible each day, provided we put on our wonderwear when we wake

Our first Sunday drop-in covenant group will focus on our monthly theme of “Wonder.” All are invited to participate. Rev. Lyn Marshall will facilitate.

May 9, 2019 (Please note date change) | 2 pm | “Feeling Wonder-Full” UU Worship Service at Havenwood Heritage Heights, 33 Christian Ave, Concord | Rev. Lyn Marshall & Michael Leuchtenberger

A sense of wonder is part of who we are as spiritual beings. Where and how do we feel wonder? How wonder-full do we feel day to day? Wonder is more than an experience. Wonder is an attitude that can serve us regardless of age or circumstance.

May 12, 2019 | 10 am | “Like, Don’t Use Plastics, Okay?!” | Youth Group

The Youth Group decided to focus their attention on the environment this year, with particular attention to the problem of plastics. Hear what they learned by studying shoppers in Concord, meeting with a NH House Representative who sponsored a bill about single-use plastic regulation, and researching the topic. They will also share some concrete steps they, and all of us, can take to reduce our use of plastics as a way of living our Unitarian Universalist value of respect for the environment.

May 19, 2019 | 10 am | “Small Wonders” | Rev. Lyn Marshall

Creation can fill us with wonder at many different scales, from the breathtaking spectacle of the vast night sky to the awe we feel at seeing things too small to be seen using technology. In this service for all ages, we will focus our attention on wonders small, smaller, and smallest. The service will also recognize our long-term members and will be followed by our annual meeting.

May 26, 2019 | 10 am | “UUs in Wonderland” | Betsy Black

Why don’t we walk around in a state of wonder all the time? What does it mean to cultivate wonder? How can we actively engender a greater sense of wonder in our lives? Come hear some musings, stories, and research that address these questions and explore the phenomenon of wonder in this service.

May 26 | 7 pm | “Dances of Universal Peace” | Sarah-Elizabeth Anderson

The Dances of Universal Peace are an embodied practice based in mantras from many world religions. Walking practice, prayer, sound current vibration, and gentle full body movement create an atmosphere of heart centered peace.

What's Next for Lifespan Faith Development?

Rev. Lyn Marshall, Minister of Lifespan Faith Development

What a year of growth and learning this has been! As we prepare to wrap up our first year of Second Hour adult faith development programming and Sunday School classes after morning worship rather than before or during, it's a time of taking stock. What went well? What were the challenges? What did we learn that will help us plan for the 2019-2020 church year?

This is discernment work that requires input from the community, and I'm delighted to be able to report that we have a new Lifespan Faith Development Leadership Team beginning to look at these questions. They will help me and Michael assess our programs, plan for the future, and identify leaders in the congregation who are interested in working on faith development programs in the future. The inaugural members are Karen Cox, Jeff Fetter, Anne Meyers, Jennifer Roff, Jim Schlosser, and Jenn Star. Please thank them for taking on this role, and tell them what you love and what you long for, for yourself and/or your children. Or tell me! I'm always eager for feedback, and I appreciate hearing about the snags and concerns as much as I enjoy a positive review of your experience; it is through experimentation and evaluation that we are able to improve how we learn together as a community.

I want to send out a big thank-you to all of you who have stepped into leadership of one kind or another this year - whether you have taught Sunday School or led a Second Hour workshop, served as a Youth Group leader, facilitated a covenant group or a support group, your time and energy are a great gift to those who receive it directly as well as those who benefit from the ripples that happen when we learn something new. A special shout-out to Alison Stuart, Jim Schlosser, and Erin Stewart for running the Our Whole Lives (OWL) human sexuality education program for our 7th-9th graders this year. OWL requires leaders to spend a weekend at a training and to put in considerable time to planning for each session. Jason Mahon, also OWL-trained, ran a concurrent parent information session so parents would have detailed information about what their children were learning in the program. This program makes a lasting difference in the lives of teens who experience it, and I am so grateful for their dedication. They have some dreams about extending our OWL offerings to other age groups (there are programs from Kindergarten through adulthood) so if you think YOU might want to get more involved with this program, please ask them about their experience and let me know!

Continuing what seems to be my theme - let me know! - we will be needing one or more new leaders for Sunday School next year. If you enjoy our children and youth, if you have a passion for learning and a commitment to Unitarian Universalism, we can help you with lesson plans, materials, and support as you discover how this work can contribute to your own growth as well as the children's.

My email is lyn@concorduu.org. My phone number is 603-568-8084. I hope to hear from you about how you might want to be involved in the future of Lifespan Faith Development!

With gratitude,

Rev. Lyn Marshall

Transforming Ourselves

Transforming Our World



SECOND HOUR

| **LEARNING**

| **SERVICE**

| **PRACTICE**

Sunday, May 12 | 11:30 am—12:30 pm

We are down to our final Second Hour Adult Learning & Service and Community Luncheon! We know it's Mother's Day - so bring her along if you can, and let her choose a workshop!

Worship Theme TED Talk & Discussion

Joanna Henderson will lead a discussion following a TED talk video on our worship theme of Wonder.

Spiritual Practice | Moving Meditation | Betsy Black

Introduction to walking (or movement) meditation. This powerful form of meditation will be done in silence. We will start inside the chapel and move outside, weather conditions permitting. Suitable for all.

Ageing Journey Wisdom Circle | Rev. Pat Hoertdoerfer & Linda Williams

No matter your age or stage in life, come join the Ageing Journey Wisdom Circle! We explore personal perspectives on the art of ageing, collect wisdom for the road ahead, and share our stories with humor and gratitude. Our theme this year is ANCESTORS. Our ancestors are the people gone before us – blood relations or family of mind and spirit- who guide, instruct and inspire us. Mentors, friends, heroes, teachers, ancestors of faith – all have a part in shaping who we are, and we carry all of them forward with us. As you look at your family heritage of religion/faith/spiritual practices, are there patterns within your family and/or a trajectory that leads you toward Unitarian Universalism? If possible bring a photo or sacred item from your faith lineage and of course your heritage stories.

Class | Rank Choice Voting | Rik Yeames

Learn about how rank choice voting can be a powerful tool for democratic elections that lead to a more fair result. Many cities are adopting rank choice voting in their elections, and Maine adopted rank choice voting statewide in 2016 and implemented it in all state and federal primary elections in 2018. Experience how it works and see what you think: should New Hampshire be the next state to adopt rank choice voting?

Sunday, May 19 | Annual Meeting | For more information please see page 12.





BEGINNING TO RESTORE THE INTEGRITY OF OUR BUILDING

The Building Maintenance Committee proposes that the congregation approve the expenditure of up to \$30,000 to begin to restore the structural integrity of Fellowship Hall. These funds are needed to replace the posts along the walk on the West side of Fellowship Hall.

Some funds will be used to repair and seal the ends of all the roof support beams which are exposed to the weather. Both projects should be done this year, to reduce some of the stresses on Fellowship Hall and to avoid further beam damage.

Since September 2015, when structural engineer Jeff Trexler advised us that the building would not support solar panels on the roof, we have known that the building's structure probably needs repair or reinforcement.

Last September Mr. Trexler confirmed this state of affairs in a thorough inspection of the non-sanctuary portion of the building culminating in an 18-page report available on the Church's website. This report indicates several areas of major concern, including most prominently Fellowship Hall. The damage to beams and rafters is apparent even to the casual observer.

The Building Maintenance Committee, following the report's recommendation, instituted a snow-removal plan designed to prevent snow load from exceeding the respective capacities of the roof over the various sections of the building.

Also following the recommendation of the report, the Committee sought a further investigation into Fellowship Hall's construction. In his February 2019 investigation Mr. Trexler found that, as a result of design flaw and/or construction done not in accordance with design, the rafter beams, the horizontal beams and the supporting posts are all significantly over stressed. In his written report, accompanied by schematic drawings, he describes three possible remedial approaches. The respective costs of the three approaches, not yet estimated, will be hugely different. In addition, expertise will be required to choose one approach over the others.

However, all three approaches have in common the replacement and relocation -- closer to the edge of the walkway on the West side of Fellowship Hall-- of the eight exterior posts which support horizontal beams. This replacement and relocation of the posts which help to support Fellowship Hall is necessitated by the upward forces on the un-anchored posts and the deterioration of both the posts and the supported beams.

Common sense calls for achieving this repair, common to all three approaches, while we are considering the further more costly and complicated steps required for full reinforcement of Fellowship Hall.

The Building Maintenance Committee also intends to spend some of the requested funds to repair, seal, repaint and cap (as applicable) the ends of the building's roof support beams. Many of these have been damaged by weather.

New Members



Janet Kelley-Vail

I was born in Cambridge, Massachusetts. I moved to Alaska after college, met and married Franz, and spent the remainder of my 20's adventuring to the far corners of the world. The siren call of family beckoned, so we landed in New England, settled in New Hampshire and raised a family.

My work life has been varied, but at the heart of it, has been relationships with people, from teaching young Native students in Alaska to, for the past 20 years, working with older adults struggling with Alzheimer's and dementia.

I still love to wander about and travel. I love to hike and garden; being outside for long stretches of time is still a passion. Swimming in NH lakes in the summer and fall is a wonder. †



Franz Vail

I was born and raised in Ohio but moved to Alaska shortly after graduating from college. Alaska fed my love of nature and I spent over a decade there enjoying the outdoors in all seasons. Importantly, I also met my wife Janet there. As we began to think about a family of our own, we decided to move back East so we could raise our family near family. We settled in Concord and have a son and a daughter who, fortunately for us, have chosen to stay in the area.

I am now retired after more than 40 years in the environmental field, practicing primarily in wastewater treatment. I've worked on sewage treatment plant design and construction from Juneau to the North Slope of Alaska and from Nashua to Pittsburg, NH. The Clean Water Act of 1972 accomplished near miracles for our waterways and I'm proud to have played a part.

Among my many hobbies are hiking, skiing, kayaking, biking, gardening and woodworking. We've settled on an old farm in Sanbornton with a little bit of land and never-ending upkeep but we live next to nature and it feeds our spirit. †



Emmett Leblanc

My name is Emmett John LeBlanc and I am originally from Cape Cod, Massachusetts. I was brought to New Hampshire for my undergraduate studies at Colby-Sawyer College. I received my Bachelors of Science in Health Promotion with a minor in women's and gender studies. I am passionate about social justice and advocacy, especially in regards to the LGBTQ+ community.

I currently work for a nonprofit, Waypoint, providing mentorship to young adults in Concord.

In my free time I enjoy practicing mindfulness, exploring local hiking trails, and finding hidden gems for fishing. I am excited to be a new member of such a welcoming and accepting community and I wish to engage in many intellectual and spiritual conversations with all who are seeking the same. Thank you for welcoming me into your home. †



Karen Ager

I'm an adventurous human exploring spiritual questions. I find meditation and creative expression in many different things, such as my time as a former competitive skydiver or my current passion as a tea vlogger. The greatest challenge to conquer is to

stay present in the moment though all of life's many gifts, joys and sorrows.

I am a proud Mom to my son, Ian, and a partner on this amazing journey with my husband, Don. I have two wonderful, grown step-children, Rachel and Donnie and I'm also a "bonus grandma" to Max and Maddie. Oh, I also have a "fur daughter" named Gucci. She is part British Torty and part Maine Coon. (And 100% warrior, despite being named after a designer handbag).

I am also blessed to use my 30 years' experience as a communications and PR professional in my current role at the state's largest health foundation, The Endowment for Health. †

See Part II next month to learn more about our newest members who have joined our church.



Exploring Membership Classes Fall 2019

Our next Exploring Membership classes will be in the Fall. This is a 3-session series, with classes on **Sundays** after service. You must attend all three sessions in order to become a member.

You will learn about Unitarian Universalism in general and the way that it is expressed in our particular congregation, as well as the rights, benefits, and responsibilities of membership. You will also have a chance to share your history and the spiritual journey that brought you to Concord UU, and to hear the stories of others in the class.

The New Member Covenanting Ceremony will take place during a Sunday morning service.

Questions? Contact Lorraine Ellis at **731-3064** or wyndwoman@wyndyhill.net.

News from the Community Plate Committee

submitted by Deborah Bruss



The CPC often receives heartfelt thank-yous from organizations that have benefited from us. Here is what a few have said.

A thank you letter from **Overcomers Support Services**, written by Clement Kigugu on March 20th, thanked us for our support. "In 2018, your donation helped us serve 471 refugees and immigrants the State of New Hampshire; 330 from Concord.... Your generosity helped 47 people find jobs from 7 different employers Twelve youth were among those hired. This year OSS continues receiving 5 to 10 every day looking for assistants with food stamps, medical applications, transportation, housing, interpretation... and everyday needs. We continue to work on organizing and empowering youth and women to successfully integrate in New Hampshire society."



UUSC

The Unitarian Universalist Service Committee with the College of Social Justice sent our church a thank-you one day after receiving our contribution of \$464. They work with more than 70 grassroots organizations in 35 countries. "Whether we are offering protection for

families fleeing violence in Central America, empowering grassroots communities displaced by climate change, or working with refugees fleeing war and violence, your support creates lasting change across the globe for people under siege."



Happening Soon! Annual Plant & Yard Sale | May 18

Put aside your cool, useful and fun unused items for us! Retro is in! Books too. Dust it off and drop it by. **Drop off room 8/9 week prior.**

Perennial clumps? I want em'. Need help? Contact me. If donating plants, label what it is and what color it blooms. Irises and day lilies are welcome but buyers want to know flower color! Certified organic vegetable starts from Red Gate Gardens in Loudon are back! Big selection on order! Herbs, Geraniums, unusual annuals, perennials, hanging baskets and more in the works!

Anyone want to sell and or provide coffee/tea and baked goods? Let us know. Looking to have a fun and profitable event. Volunteers get first look at the good stuff!

Jim & Erika Downie

Yard sale questions? Ebdownie@tds.net Plants questions? Jdownie@tds.net or 978-818-0138

New Way to Give to Community Plate

Our Community Plate is changing with the times, and now welcomes your donations by credit card or direct debit from your bank account. This will allow you to give if you don't have cash or check on hand...or if you are livestreaming our worship service at home...or even if you only read about the recipient in our eBulletin but won't be attending worship.

To give to the Community Plate, go to www.concorduu.org/plate OR use your Breeze account.*

To use Breeze:

- Log in to your **Breeze Account*** or open the app on your phone.
- Go to **“Give Now”**
- Be sure to choose Community Plate from the drop-down choice of funds.

If you set up your Breeze account with a stored credit or bank account, giving to the Community Plate quickly from the pew will truly be a breeze!

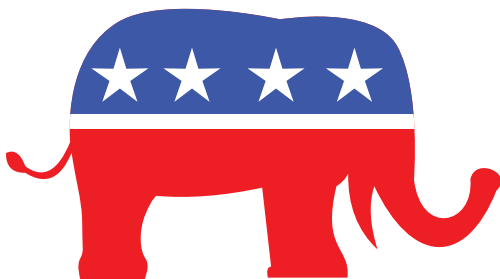
To ensure we know which recipient you intend your donation for, we have some firm timing guidelines for you to follow.

1. We welcome online gifts to each Sunday's Community Plate recipient starting on the preceding Wednesday, and ending on Sunday at midnight.
2. We can only accept donations for that week's recipient, not prior or future recipients.
3. Please do not make your Community Plate donation on Mondays or Tuesdays (donations on those days will default to our Pastoral Support Fund.)

A small percentage of your donation will cover the cost charged by our credit card/ACH processor.

***Don't have a Breeze account? Email breeze@concorduu.org to request one.**

Fifty Years of America's Right-Wing Movement



**Thursday, May 23 | 7 PM to 9 PM | Fellowship Hall
Host | Building a Culture of Peace Forum
Speakers | Paul Levy and Janet Ward**

Contact : Whitney Howarth wbhowarth@plymouth.edu

For fifty years, a widespread and sophisticated right-wing movement has been transforming America. It has, for example, taken over the Republican Party, secured Citizens United, promoted climate change denial, and popularized school vouchers. This presentation looks at the history, affluence, ideology, and major strategies of that movement.



When You're in the Hospital

Your church wants to support you in your time of need. When we hear that a church member is in the hospital, here's what happens:

- We let Rev. Michael Leuchtenberger know, and Rev. Lyn Marshall if it's a child in our Sunday School program. They may visit or check in to see what you might need for assistance, such as meals from the Caring Network when you return home.
- The Benevolent Association sends flowers.

If you will be in the hospital for a planned procedure, let the church office know in advance. If you find yourself there unexpectedly, try to give us a call, or ask a friend or family member to let us know. It's a good idea to tell a family member or friend in advance that you would like them to notify the church, in case you are unable to tell them when the time comes.

During or after your hospital stay, if you need any help with meals, transportation to appointments, or special tasks, let us know to connect you with the Caring Network. There is a long list of dozens of volunteers ready to help.

We wish you wonderful health – but your church is here to help if it's not!

Your friends in the office,

Lea and Heidi

A New Season Upon Us, But Need Some "Yoots"!

"Just to hit the ball, and touch 'em all, a moment in the sun; it's a gone and you can tell that one good-bye! " As spring approaches, so does **SOFTBALL SEASON!** Another season of fun and memories with each other, and the players from the other teams in the Concord Church league. This is a league that puts a premium on fun and friendship, with less stress on the intensity of competition you find in some other leagues. While winning always makes it just a bit more fun, those of us who have been on the team for a number of years still enjoy getting out there and giving our all in the spirit of fun and camaraderie. What we need an infusion of in the next couple of years is, in a word, "yoots". If you ever saw "My Cousin Vinnie", you'll know what I mean. We need some younger players to complement, and gradually replace, those of us who are getting just a bit long in the tooth (and light on some working body parts!). So, whatever your age and skill, if you've got any interest at all in playing for the Purple of UU this summer, let me know. You can reach me at 998-5286 or hawkluvr57@metrocaster.net, or my wife Sue, our #1 cheerleader and cookie maker, at suzyloon@metrocaster.net. Leave us your name, phone number, and email address, and we'll start working on putting together this year's team!

In peace. *Dick de Seve*

Singalong Concert May 10 Will Mark Pete Seeger's Centennial Year

A fundraiser for American Friends Service Committee

7 PM | UU of Concord

Tickets \$20 or what you can

Tickets are available at www.RiseUpandSing.org/events or at the door

For more information, contact **Arnie Alpert**, (603) 224-2407

A singalong concert at the Concord Unitarian Universalist Church on Friday evening, May 10, will celebrate Pete Seeger's 100th birthday (Seeger, who would have turned 100 on May 3, died in 2014) with performers Charlie King, Sally Rogers, Annie Patterson, and Peter Blood. Proceeds will benefit the New Hampshire office of the American Friends Service Committee, a Quaker organization dedicated to social justice and peace.

"Pete Seeger was the master of group singing," says Peter Blood, who with Annie Patterson is the creator of the Rise Up Singing and Rise Again songbooks "Audiences all over the world came to watch him perform and sing along with him, often in languages they had never even heard before. He used his singing as a way of reaching into the hearts of the people in his audiences and getting them to look at themselves, at people different from them, and at the world in fresh ways. Many lives were changed just by listening to Pete Seeger's music or singing along with him in settings large and small."

Charlie King is a musical storyteller and political satirist whom Pete Seeger called "one of the finest singers and songwriters of our time." His songs have been recorded and sung by Pete Seeger, Peggy Seeger, Holly Near, Ronnie Gilbert, John McCutcheon, Arlo Guthrie, and others. With Pete Seeger and others, Charlie King is one of the founders of the People's Music Network, which brings together songwriters and singers whose music inspires peace and social

justice activism.

Sally Rogers is not only one of the founders and leaders of the Children's Music Network, she is a much-loved singer, songwriter, and music educator who accompanies herself on guitar, banjo and mountain dulcimer. Her latest CD, "We Are Welcomed," with Claudia Schmidt, celebrates the empowerment of women.

Annie Patterson and Peter Blood are the co-creators of the best-selling songbook, Rise Up Singing, which Studs Terkel called a "play-work-fight-freedom hymnal." Together they have led singalong concerts across North America and abroad aimed at "building hope and change through song." Patterson is well-loved for her stunning vocals, old-timey banjo playing and her harmonies with the band Girls From Mars. Blood worked closely with Pete Seeger for over a year as the editor of his autobiography, Where Have All the Flowers Gone: A Singalong Memoir.

The audience at the May 10 will be singing out of Patterson and Blood's newest songbook, If I Had a Hammer, which contains 50 of the best songs that Seeger led at his own concerts, including such classics as "Turn, Turn, Turn," "Where Have All the Flowers Gone," and the title song, "If I Had a Hammer." Copies of the new songbook will be available for sale, as will CDs from the other performers.

The New Hampshire Program of the American Friends Service Committee works with individuals and organizations that care about building peace and social justice through nonviolent methods. Its current priorities include immigrant and refugee rights and well-being, economic justice, and supporting civic engagement. Arnie Alpert and Maggie Fogarty are the Co-Directors.

The May 10 concert is one of 11 being held from April 26 to May 19 across 7 northeastern states.

Your Right of Conscience and the Use of the Democratic Process

Our Annual Meeting is coming up on **May 19** after the worship service. Childcare and snacks will be provided. All are welcome to attend and speak at the Annual Meeting; **only those who have been members for at least 30 days are eligible to vote.**



An Annual Meeting Prep Packet will be available by May 5 with materials to help you prepare for the meeting. There will be printed copies and it will be available on our website with an eBlast sent out.

The proposed budget for 2019-20 will be presented and discussed at **Budget Forums on Sunday, May 5 at 11:45am, and on Thursday, May 9 at 6pm.** These forums are your chance to learn about the budget so you can make an informed vote at Annual Meeting.



Worship 101 | Saturday, May 11 | 9:30-Noon

All those interested in honing their skills in designing and leading worship are invited to **Worship 101** on **Saturday, May 11, from 9:30am to noon.** The session will cover such things as the difference between a lecture and a sermon, the creation and submission of the order of service, paying attention to transitions, and how to write for public speaking. Anyone leading one of our summer services or thinking about leading a service in the future is strongly encouraged to participate in this workshop, but all are invited to attend. Suggested reading before the workshop is *Worship That Works: Theory and Practice for Unitarian Universalists* by Wayne Arnason and Kathleen Rolenz. The book is available in our library. Rev. Michael Leuchtenberger will be leading the workshop. **Please let Lea Smith know that you plan to attend** (lea@concorduu.org) but do come, even if you forget to RSVP!



Seeking Donations for “Flower Power” Picnic and Auction



As a fun, all-ages-inclusive experiment, our Annual Goods & Services Auction will be held in conjunction with our spring picnic on **June 9**. Get groovy with music by the Wholly Rollers, games and prizes!

Everyone can contribute! Would you be willing to donate and plant some daffodils or tulips? How about leading a local hike, identifying trees and animals? Do you have a seasonal home and would donate a long weekend or even a week? Other ideas: a couple car washes, a yard cleanup, some babysitting services, or the use of your kayak or canoe. Please say “yes” when someone calls to ask if you have something to offer. Better yet, fill out a Donation Form (available in the Parlor soon or Online at www.concorduu.org/auction) and return it promptly! †

Leaders It’s Time to Plan the 2019-20 Church Calendar

Our annual Calendar Planning meeting for the 2018-19 church year will happen on **Sunday, June 2 at 11:15pm**. Lea Smith will lead this meeting.

If you (or your committee/team/group) plan to offer any public or church-wide events, please plan to attend. This includes special worship services, rituals, community service projects, classes, performances, fundraisers, etc. It also includes projects that might last several weeks, even if there is not a particular event. For example, we might not want to run a UUSC Guest at Your Table fund drive at the same time as we are raising funds for a local community service project. Or it might be super confusing to collect food for a homeless shelter at the same time as we are collecting food for our own Thanksgiving basket project. (***This gathering does NOT include committee meetings or the like - you can just email Heidi@ConcordUU.org for those requests.***)

Why should you attend?

- Get first dibs on your preferred dates!
- Hear about all the other great things happening in our church!
- Get some ideas about how your committee/team can work with others on events or projects.
- Make sure your event is included in our Schedule of Church Events published in August.
- Resolve any date conflicts directly with other event planners (rather than relying on me as a less informed third party to try to figure it out for you.)

Thanks so much for saving this date!

Connecting in Love and Service

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May Special Events

- April 28-May 5 **Family Promise**
Fri, May 3 @ 6:30 - 9:00 pm **Games & Chocolate**
Fri, May 3 @ 7:00 pm **Beltane Ritual**
Thu, May 9 @ 2 pm **UU Worship at Havenwood**
Note change this month.
Thurs, May 9 @ 6:00 pm **Budget Forum**
Sun, May 12 @ 12:30 pm
Yard Sale Donations open in Room 8/9 after class
Sun, May 19 @ 9:00 am
Long-time Member Breakfast & Recognition
Sun, May 19 @ 11:45 am **Annual Meeting**
Sun, May 19 @ 7 - 9 pm **Dances of Universal Peace**
Thurs, May 23 @ 7 pm **Fifty Years of America's
Right-Wing Movement Presentation**
Sun, May 26 @ Noon-2:00 pm
Green Team Grounds Cleanup
Mon, May 27 **Office Closed Due to Holiday**
Fri, May 31 @ 5:30 pm **UU Village Camp-in**

See our calendar online for up-to-date listing:
www.concorduu.org/calendar



Ongoing Events

- Worship Service** | Sundays at 10 am
Sunday School for Children
1st, 2nd, 3rd Sundays at 11:30 am
"Second Hour" Adult Learning, Service & Practice
2nd & 3rd Sundays at 11:30 am (**Annual Mtg, 5/19**)
Community Lunch | 2nd & 3rd Sundays at 12:30 pm
Social Hour Coffee, Cookies & Conversation
1st, 4th, 5th Sundays at 11:15 am
Drop-in Covenant Group | 1st Sundays at 11:30 am
Dances of Universal Peace | 3rd Sunday at 7 pm
Taize at Concord UU | 2nd Sunday at 7 pm
October thru April
UU Worship at Havenwood | 1st Thursday at 2 pm
Choir Rehearsal | most Thursdays, 7-8:30 pm
Choir Warmup | most Sundays, 9:15 am
Visiting Voices | 2nd Saturdays - 9 am off-site
warmup, 10am at Merrimack Valley Nursing Home
Noah Project on Sustainability | Sunday at 9 am
Youth Group - most Fridays at 7 pm
Games and Chocolate | 1st Fridays at 6:30 pm
Friendly Kitchen prep & serve day | 1st Wed at 3 pm
UU Book Group | 4th Wednesday at 4 pm
Showing Up for Racial Justice | 1st Thurs at 7 pm
Aging Journey Wisdom Circle
2nd Sundays at 11:30 am
Caring for Aging Loved Ones Support Group
4th Sundays at 7 pm
Come As You Are LGBTQ+ AA | Mondays 6-7 pm
Memory Loss Support | 2nd, 4th Tuesdays at 10 am
Chronic Pain Support Group | 2nd Tues. 1-2:30 pm
Meditation in Motion | 1st, 3rd Mon. at 6 pm
Mindfulness Practice Group | 2nd, 4th Mon. at 7 pm
Meditation | Tuesdays at 7 pm
Insight Meditation | 3rd Friday at 4 pm
Board of Trustees | 2nd Wednesday at 6:30 pm

2nd Sunday Transportation to Church

If you are looking for transportation to church on 2nd Sundays of the month, please let the Linda Williams (Inilemud@msn.com) or the office know. One of our volunteer transportation associates will come and pick you up and bring you to church in time for the 10 am service. In the future we hope to offer this service more than once a month. For now, we are committed to providing transportation associates on May 12, and June 9. If you are able to serve as a transportation associate on any of those dates, please let Linda Williams (Inilemud@msn.com) or the office know.

New Office Roles

Heidi Page

Office Administrator

- Maintains the church master calendar
- Accepts room reservations for church events
- Arranges room rentals (excluding long-term leases)
- Shares creation of the weekly eBulletin with Lorraine Ellis (submit to ebulletin@concorduu.org)
- Produces Parish Notes (submit to parishnotes@concorduu.org)
- Helps Michael (or other pulpit guest) to create the weekly order of service

Lea Smith

Director of Membership and Administration

- Maintains the church's financial records; answers your budget questions
- Processes accounts payable and reimbursement checks (include your receipt with pink reimbursement form)
- Responds to building emergencies (with the Facility Manager and Building Maintenance Committee)
- Negotiates long term leases and serves as liaison with lessees
- Manages the church membership database and directory updates
- Welcomes newcomers and helps them get connected

Staff

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Lea Smith, Dir. of Membership & Administration
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Officers

Anne Zinkin, Moderator
Sara McNeil, Clerk
Karen Mayo, Treasurer
Jack Wakelin, Custodian of Trust Funds
Beth Corcoran & Lorraine Ellis,
Assistant Treasurers

Board of Trustees

Dick Bennett, Chair
Anne Drewniak, Vice-Chair
Ann Hoey, Secretary
Gary Schroeder
Kelly Mahony
Tom Fredenburg

Upcoming Parish Notes NEW Deadline

June 2019 issue: Wed, May 22 at noon

Email submissions in the body of an email (not as an attachment) to parishnotes@concorduu.org

Submissions are accepted for church-related items that have been approved by a committee, church-affiliated group or staff person. The editor may edit for clarity or to fit available space.

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RETURN SERVICE REQUESTED

***JOIN US FOR WORSHIP AND FAITH DEVELOPMENT
ON SUNDAYS***

10:00 am **Worship Service**

11:30 am **Sunday School for Children**
(1st, 2nd, 3rd Sundays)

11:30 am **Second Hour Adult Learning, Service and Practice**
(2nd & 3rd Sundays)

