**Unitarian Universalist Community Church**

**Worship Service - Sunday, November 26, 2017**

***Today at UUCC***

 Services at 9:15 & 11:00 a.m. “Priming the Pump,

 Encouraging Growth, Building Community”\*

 Peter Mendall, Sr.

 Goddess/Earth Circles, 12:15 – 2:00 p.m., C-FH

\* It takes faith to prime a pump. To get a water pump to start working, you first have to sacrifice water to “prime the pump.” Encouraging growth in oneself, as well as in the community, requires first ‘giving up’ something, relinquishing something; investing something; committing something to the cause. Even if it’s the last ounce of water you’ve got to sacrifice and pour it into the pump to get the reservoir of water back out.

Hannah Faulkner and Marilyn Gordon will play piano/bassoon duets in keeping with Peter Mendall’s theme, “Priming the Pump of Goodness.” The Prelude will be *Themes from the Water Music* by G. F. Handel. After the Embracing Meditation, the music will include *The Water Is Wide* by Cecil L. Sharp, arr. by James Taylor and Don Grolnick.

**EVENTS TODAY**

**Goddess/Earth Circles**, 12:15-2:00p.m., C-FH

The focus will be on moving toward the impact of winter and planning a Winter Solstice service for December 24. In addition, we will be looking at the programs for the New Year. Sessions around several goddesses will be scheduled, specifically Laksmi, Yemaya (and dreams), Lilith, Hekate

There may be some other ideas for Spring, such as Cakes for the Queen of Heaven. Contact: Helen Zidowecki (hzmre@hzmre.com. 582-5308)

***Notices***

***This Week at UUCC*** *…*

**Monday, November 27, 2017**

 Private Rental, 1-4:00 p.m., D-Prl

 Invested Funds Meeting, 4-6:00 p.m., C-Comm

 Small Group Ministry, 6:00 p.m., D-Prl

 **Children/Youth Mindfulness Practice**

 **Group**, 5:30 – 6:15 p.m., D-2ndF

Join us as we explore Mindful Eating – exploring where our food comes from and the many senses that can be stimulated by eating food – if we pause and allow ourselves to be aware that it is happening.

After our time together, childcare will be available in the nursery from 6:15 – 8:15 so that adults, older children & youth can take part in our mindfulness meditation group, Peaceful Heart Sangha (6:30 - 8), if they want to do so.

**Peaceful Heart Sangha**, 6:30-8:00, C-Sanct

Join this mindfulness meditation group for sitting and walking meditation, readings and sharing in the sanctuary.

**Tuesday,** **November 28, 2017**

 Small Group Ministry, 10:00 a.m., Off Premises

 Al-ANON, Noon, C-Rbsn

Christ for Unitarian Universalists <BEGINS>

**Facilitators: Rev. Carie Johnsen and Peter Mendall, Sr.**

**We will meet on Tuesdays:** Nov.28th, Dec 19th, Jan 9th, Jan 30th, Feb 20th, Mar 13th and Apr 3rd

**TWO OPTIONS: Afternoons 2:00 – 4:00 OR Evenings 6:00 – 8:00**

This adult religious education series on the book *Christ for Unitarian Universalists* by Scotty McLennan might have any of these goals:  1) to increase religious literacy about Christianity to help us participate fully in the social, political, and economic life of a nation and world where this religion matters;  2) to understand where Christianity fits within Unitarian Universalism;  3) to elucidate ways that Unitarian Universalist interpretations of the Bible and of Christian history and practice might enrich modern Christianity;  4)  to help us talk intelligently with our Christian friends;  5)  to envision new ways to engage effectively with Christians in social justice work;  6) to deepen our own personal spiritual lives.

Sign up for discussion group at admin@augustauu.org or 207-622-3232. Please state your availability or preference for Tuesday afternoon or evening class. Let us know if childcare is needed.

Pastoral Ministry Team Meeting, 4-6 p.m., D-Prl

**Wednesday, November 29, 2017**

**Gentle Yoga**, 5:00 p.m., C-FH

******Everyone is welcome to Wednesday Yoga at the UUCC. No experience needed; just curiosity. People are welcome to drop in, come every once and a while, or become regular attenders. Classes are FREE.

NAMI-Connection Recovery Support Group,

 5:15 – 6:45 p.m., D-Prl

Choir Rehearsal, 6:00-8:00 p.m., C-Sanct

**Thursday, November 30, 2017**

**Welcoming Dinner and Orientation**

 6:00-7:30 p.m., C-FH <setup begins at 4:30 p.m.>

**Welcoming Dinner and Orientation**

November 30, 2017 - 6:00 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.

A light evening meal will be served AND

Childcare is available

Our welcoming dinner and orientation is a great way to get to know more about congregational life. The evening offers a light meal shared with both new and longstanding members and friends within the church community. This is also a great opportunity to share a meal with our minister, Rev. Carie Johnsen.

To attend the dinner please R.S.V.P. by calling 622-3232 or send email to admin@augustauu.org

**Friday, December 1, 2017**

**Non-violent Communication**, 10:50 a.m., C-Rbsn

This group follows the work of Marshall Rosenberg who presents a unique model of communication that seeks to teach a means of developing empathy as a basis for communication rather than models of blame, judgment and criticism. If you are interested in joining this group or would like more information, please contact Annie Lunt at 623-0427.

**World Aids Day** (Horizon Program), 6 – 8 pm

 C-FH and C-Sanct

***The World Aids Day event will feature***

--**Music** by Martin Swinger, Lynn Deeves, Ed Desjardins, Tom Giordano, Deb Henley and Karen Bizer.--**Poetry** by Emily Fournier from her book, “Taking the Red” --**Display of the AIDS Memorial Quilt** courtesy of the NAMES Project Northern New England Chapter.

 <Please see fliers at the church>

**Saturday, December 2, 2017**

UUCCOO Rehearsal, 8:30-10:30 a.m., C- Sanct

**Holiday Fair and Café**, 8:30 am–1:00 pm, FH

Our church's holiday craft and gift fair is almost here ... Heidi Munro (heide.munro@gmail.com) will supervise the Cafe, so please contact her if you can contribute snacks to sell to our shoppers. If you'd like to reserve a table for homemade gifts, please contact Catherine Palmer at 207.458.7384 and be willing to donate 10% of your proceeds that day to UUCC.

Our holiday fair will feature Hannah's Boutique and another area reserved for "make an offer" items, but these must be approved prior to the sale (drop-offs on Friday afternoon, Dec.1st from 1-4 p.m. **in the nursery**)

**PLEASE NOTE:** Table setup cannot begin until 7:00 a.m. Saturday due to a special event at the Church on Friday.

MUUSAN Steering Committee Retreat,

 9:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m., DH (1st Floor)

Private Piano Lessons, 1:45-6:30 p.m., C-Sanct

**Sunday, December 3, 2017**

 **Services at 9:15 & 11:00 a.m**. “Music Sunday”\*\*

 Rev. Carie Johnsen, Bridget Convey, Music Director, and Daniel Gilbert, Orchestra Director

 **Peace Jam**, 3:00 – 5:00 p.m., C-FH

\*\*This traditional December service has become a favorite among members and friends. Bring your family, friends and neighbors for this holiday treat. This service brings us together to sing and enjoy a morning of music highlighting the Unitarian Universalist Community Church Choir and Occasional Orchestra.

***Upcoming Events***

**Saturday, December 9, 2017**, Noon to 2:00 p.m., D-1stF

**SOCIAL ACTIVITIES: DIY SLIME**

Alison Foust will offer a workshop for KIDS OF ALL AGES on how to make perfect slime of all colors. Come and have fun with us making and playing with the slime you make....its ADDICTING. SLIME is the perfect Xmas gift for your KID's friends.

**Sunday, December 10, 2017 Elder Lunch**

Plan to relax and socialize with your friends after the second service. Menu always includes breads, salad, entrée and dessert.

ALSO On Dec. 10th (after Elder Lunch) **SOCIAL ACTIVITY**. Join us to view the classic 1938 movie *Robin Hood*, starring Errol Flynn and Olivia de Havilland. All are welcome to attend.

***UUCC Office Hours***

**UUCC Office Hours <hours for next week>**

Monday ----------------------------------<No office hours>

Tues. Wed. AND Thurs. ---------9:00 am to 4:00 pm

Friday -------------------------------------< No office hours >

**Rev. Carie’s Office Hours:**

Monday No office Hours

Tuesday 1:00 pm – 6:00 pm

Wednesday 2:00 pm – 6:00 pm

Thursday No office Hours (Writing Day)

<other hours available by appointment>

Rev. Johnsen: **623-3663 or (508) 221-5295 or** **revcariejohnsen@gmail.com**

**Caring Cooperative** support, contact Rev. Carie Johnsen.



**Sunday Services / Staff Contact information:**

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