

Weekly E-Blast

Unitarian Universalist Community Church
Wednesday, March 5, 2025

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A Message from our Minister

Moments of Connection...

As winter holds on for its last reminder that we live in Maine, opportunities unfold, and new programming burst forward in our church community. Building community for and through the long haul requires intention and commitment, collaboration and joy. As the national scene continues on, it will be important to ground ourselves in practices of health, individually and as a community. Unitarian Universalism can be a place of spiritual health and ongoing growth.

It is my hope that on those weary days, weeks or months we focus on centering compassion, care, grace and direct conversations. These can be our counter cultural acts. When you find yourself overwhelmed, tender or have that sense that you've swallowed a porcupine (you know, those moments that feel prickly on the inside), sink into our UU values that center love, authentic connection and an invitation to remember that what we have to offer the world does matter.

Love & Light,
Rev. Donna, she, her

As we move through winter toward spring, I offer these words of Rosemerry Wahtola Trommer.
Between Winter and Spring

I am here to remember my place
in the field, to remember again how
what looks dead can, in just a few days
of warmth, turn vibrant and green.
It can be so hard sometimes to have hope,
yet even knowing what winter did,
look at all this life.

I am here to remember again how the field
is made of uncountable blades of grass,
and how I, too, am one of many
that make up the whole, all of us growing

together. Knowing this, I feel at the same time
the truth of my insignificance and
the truth of our mutual greatness.

I come to the field to learn what the field knows—
a belonging beyond language, a vastness
that opens in me, a cell-deep trust in life itself.
This is how we learn. By listening. In the wind,
each blade of grass sings the smallest of songs,
joins in a chorus of rub and swish and kiss
as each blade whispers, *this, this, this, this.*

Upcoming Services

<p>Sunday March 9, 2025</p> <p>Ingathering music to begin at 9:55 a.m.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Reverend Donna Dolham</p> <p>A special thank you to our worship arts team. Nan Bell will be our worship associate. Lindsey Wehl will run slides developed by Angie Blevins. Angie Blevins will manage Boxcast technology. Karen Foust will be our pianist and Tracy McNaughton will lead the team that is hosting coffee hour. Our usher will be Annie Blanchard and our greeter will be Jim Caldwell. We will have Joys and Sorrows this Sunday.</p>
<p>Sunday March 16, 2025</p> <p>Ingathering music to begin at 9:55 a.m.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Reverend Donna Dolham</p> <p>A special thank you to our worship arts team. Lori Milner will be our worship associate. Angie Blevins will run slides developed by Nan Bell. Nan Bell will manage Boxcast technology. Our pianist will be Karen Allen and our usher will be Elaine Boucher and our greeter will be Nancy Fritz.</p> <p>Join us after the service for Fellowship Lunch so we can serve you a lovely sit down meal. After lunch, stick around for another Sharing Café to share stories of enduring friendships, despite differences of opinion.</p> <p>SHARE THE PLATE: W have changed the Share the Plate Sunday this month to March 30th. Stay tuned...</p>

Don't miss this very special upcoming service

**Finding Purpose in Climate Action
During Times of Change
Sunday, March 30th at 10:00 AM**

With Special Guests:



Josh Caldwell
Natural Resources
Council of Maine



Miriam Nielsen
NASA Goddard Inst. for Space
Studies & Columbia University



Josh Caldwell grew up in West Gardiner and has been a nearly lifelong member of the Augusta UU congregation. His participation in the UU Coming of Age and Peace Jam programs launched a passion for community organizing that he has carried forward ever since. He's been working for the Natural Resources Council of Maine for the past 4 years to advance clean energy solutions and respond to climate change in a way that strengthens Maine communities and protects our environment.

Miriam Nielsen is a climate researcher and video maker in New York City. At NASA Goddard Institute for Space Studies and Columbia University she researches how severe hazards will change under warming and the vulnerability of people and ecosystems to these changes. Her YouTube channel, zentouro, tells climate and environmental stories that go beyond the headlines and creates a supportive space for anyone energized in the climate crisis.

Sunday worship service is held IN-PERSON in the Sanctuary. Please be aware that the church doors will be locked 10 minutes after the service begins. The greeter will be at the front door to let anyone in after that time.

As a community committed to “going green”, we do not hand out paper orders of service. If you would like to print one at home or bring it up on your phone during the service, don’t hesitate to go to our online order of service.

The order of service is updated on Fridays. [Here is the OOS link](#)

If you want to watch the livestream of the service, please visit:
<https://boxcast.tv/channel/mtifpth0utvesjqgiyej>

If you missed the service or want to watch the service again, the link above also allows access to the prior service. A service may be viewed on Boxcast for a week after the service is live.

Accessibility Reminders

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Please leave the empty spots in the first two rows of the sanctuary seating for our folks using wheelchairs.• Due to fragrance allergies, we are asking people not to wear perfumes or natural scents when attending services and programming at UUCC. | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• If you require one of our hearing assistance devices to access services, please ask the greeter for assistance.• Please let us know how we can help you engage with our community! |
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Important Announcement

ONLINE SAFETY

Due to the increase this year in scam emails, created in the name of church staff, UUCC is moving to remove email contacts from both our website and eblast. There are ways to connect! Where emails would have been, we are now placing links to a contact form. Each contact form will be forwarded to the individual(s) that are leading or organizing the program/meeting/event. **We began this process in the 2/6 E-blast and completed E-blast changes with the 2/19 E-blast. Our next step will be to remove individual emails from our Google calendar.**

This is how the contact forms work:

If you want to help with an upcoming fundraiser, there is a contact form that will be forwarded to Karen Foust and Nan Bell. And if you are interested in helping provide food or support for the February Fellowship lunch, this contact form will be forwarded to Marilyn Dunn.

UUCC seeks to offer opportunities, connection and online safety.

Change in Administrator OPEN office hours

As we continue to shift the Administrator’s duties to new tasks, we have decided to set specific times for “walk in” service. The Administrator will continue to work her normal hours but the door will be open for members and friends to “walk-in” on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 10am to 2pm. If you would like to meet with the Church Administrator another time or have a matter that will need more than a few minutes, please [Contact Church Admin](#) and she will schedule a time to meet with you.

Special Events / Notices / News

WOMEN'S MARCH

INTERNATIONAL WOMEN'S DAY – UNITE & RESIST IN AUGUSTA, ME

 **Protest/Rally**

On International Women’s Day, we’re taking to the streets to fight back against the fascist takeover. Join us to defend our rights, our bodies, and our future. No permission needed—just show up and bring others.

STARTS ON

Saturday, March 8, 2025 at 11:00 AM EST

ENDS ON

Saturday, March 8, 2025 at 1:30 PM EST

Maine State House
210 State Street
Augusta, ME, 04330

So far, 159 people have signed up for this event.

Click here to join: [Join the march](#)



CONDOLENCES to family and friends of PRISCILLA ASHTON

Priscilla Ashton, a member of UUCC, died February 6, 2025, at Maine Medical Center of long-term health conditions. FMI: Helen Z.

UPDATE: There will be memorial service for Priscilla at the UUCC on April 13, 2025 at 3:30 p.m. in the Sanctuary.

Sharing Café – Sunday, March 6th

RESCHEDULED: Our February Sharing Café will be held Sunday, March 16th immediately following Fellowship Lunch.

The Covenant Engagement Team is hosting a Sharing Café to listen to our stories of friendships that survive, or even thrive, through differences of opinions.

You certainly don't need to write a story to attend. If you do write a story, try to edit it to 500 words, or timed to take less than 5 minutes to read.

Please join us in this opportunity to learn new ways to live fully into this January's Covenant promise: "Because we value our relationships with each other, we promise to accept one another for who we are and not allow differences of opinion to affect our respect for the person."

Sewing & Crafting Retreat

April 29th, 9am - until evening

April 30th, 9am - 4pm

Unitarian Universalist Community Church

Pre-registration required



**limited to 12 participants each day
please see Nancy Fritz for more information**

69 Winthrop Street, Augusta, Maine

Sponsored by: Sewing/Craft Group at UU Church

Hours: Tuesday, April 29, 9 a.m. until evening
Wednesday, April 30, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

*Registration will be limited to 12 participants each day
and is on a first come, first served basis.*

You will be considered registered when you complete a registration form along with payment of \$25 for both days or \$15 for one day. Please contact Nancy Fritz for the registration form. [Contact Sewing Group](#)

Stewardship News! --- We are on our way to our pledge goal!

The 2025 Stewardship Campaign to support our operating budget ends March 31st. All pledges are welcome. We would appreciate you bringing your pledge card to church on March 9th, 16th, 23rd or 30th and put it into the silver box or you may drop it in the mail. There is now also an online option on the website. There is also an informational video about the proposed budget on the Stewardship page of the website. Your support of the Unitarian Universalist Community Church in Augusta is greatly appreciated. If you have questions, please: [Contact Stewardship](#).

SOME UPCOMING FUNdraising EVENTS and OPPORTUNITIES
YOU WONT WANT TO MISS

Talent Show Saturday March 22nd
6:30 to 8:00 pm

Sign up in the Fellowship Hall to share your talent whether it be humor, skits, music, or poetry!

If you have questions talk to, text or email Ken Farrington or Karen Foust. Contact Talent Show.

Live Auction Saturday April 5th at 6 pm in the sanctuary. We are in need of items to auction off; if you have a unique hand-made item, skill, food or experience that you would like to offer, please sign up in the Fellowship Hall -OR- click here to make your offer [AuctionOffer](#). You can also speak with Karen Foust, Nan Bell or Cheryl Ring so that we can put it in the catalogue. The deadline for donations is March 30th.

(Work crews are being pre-sold but any extras will be sold at the auction at \$400.00 per half day crew of 6 people.)

UCC Work Crews are gearing up for this year. If you would like to purchase a 4 hour work crew that consists of six people doing whatever tasks you have that we might have the skills to take on, please [Contact Fundraising](#). This adds up to 24 people hours to be spent working on projects that you want to catch up on. This can include yard work, cleaning, scraping/painting, preparing garden beds, some light carpentry or whatever you need done (as long as we have some people with those skills). People are genuinely amazed at how much gets done in four hours! Purchase price is \$400 and we plan to sell 10 crews total.

**** Upcoming events to add to your calendar!****

NEXT Game Day is
Sunday, April 6th



INQUIRERS SERIES

A rotating series of 9 conversations primarily for visitors and new members. Highly recommended to attend if you are considering membership. Old timers are welcome to come occasionally if a topic strikes your interest. Questions-refer to Susan O'Keefe, Contact [Global Hospitality Chair](#).

Next sessions:

MARCH 9

Session 4. Faith Development for Children and Adults
Facilitated by Reverend Donna Dolham

MARCH 23

Session 5. Social Action, Community Service and Racial Equity
Facilitated by Debbie Mattson & Mary Kane, Social Justice Committee Chairs

APRIL 13

Session 6. Pastoral Care
Facilitated by Martha Pelletier, Pastoral Ministry, Chair

Neighborhood BBQ

When: Saturday, May 3rd

Where: Right Here at UCC

Global Hospitality is sponsoring this wonderful opportunity for UCC, reaching in and reaching out to our local neighbors. We hope you'll save Saturday, May 3rd! The event itself will be held from noon to 2:30p.

This event will be an opportunity for fun and relationship building! Global Hospitality at its heart. If you are available to help, please let us know by filling in our volunteer form for this event. Susan O'Keefe will be following up with folks as time gets closer. [BBQ Volunteer Form Link](#).

UUA's General Assembly Registration is now open

UCC will provide needed financial assistance for GA registration for 4 delegates. This Year's GA is being held in Baltimore, Maryland June 18-22 but can also be attended virtually. FMI: visit [UUA General Assembly](#).

Attendance at the UUA General Assembly (GA) inspires individuals, deepens their connection with our faith and enhances their enthusiasm for moving our congregation forward in living our values. It is in our collective interest to have congregational members attend GA and report back to the wider church community on what they have learned at GA, this may be in the form of a Sunday service.

UCC is allocated delegates to the GA based upon the size of our congregation. Currently we have four (4) delegate spots available. They delegates may include: One Board member, One committee chair and Two (2) members at large.

In the event that there are more people wishing to be delegates than we have delegate spaces, the Board will give preference to those members who have NOT previously attended GA. UCC will provide needed financial assistance for GA registration fees up to a limit of \$350 per delegate.

If you are interested in requesting financial support to attend GA as a delegate, please [Contact Michaela Loisel, Board President](#) prior to March 8, 2025.

The Covenant Engagement Team (CET)

March Covenant Promise

Our March covenant promise is: “Because we value our relationships with each other, we promise to: Respect each other’s boundaries, honor our commitments to others and the community, and protect the safety of community members, especially children.”

What are your current commitments? Are they to yourself? Or primarily to family? To an organization? To a career? To righting a particular injustice? To this church community? To a spiritual path?

Commitments take numerous forms and demand various things from us. As this is Stewardship month, one might choose to reflect on one’s commitment to this church community. Where does the UUCC fit into your broader range of commitments?

“The difference between involvement and commitment is like eggs and ham. The chicken is involved; the pig is committed.” Martina Navratilova

Clothing and Food Collection at the UUCC

Here’s a suggestion to do something good for our neighbors, and in the process, ourselves.

Bring items to church to donate to:

- 1. Addie's Attic and Basic Essentials Pantry – on Eastern Avenue; and**
- 2. Augusta Food Bank – on Mt. Vernon Avenue**

Stefanie Barley and Susan Shaw have placed two bins in the UUCC coat room to collect requested items, and will deliver UUCC’s donations to these programs each month. The recipients of these donations are people who are unhoused or barely making ends meet economically. All are grateful for donations.

The programs are explicit about what they are able to accept and what they will not accept. We have the complete list of acceptable items posted on the boxes, with additional copies available for pick up if you wish.

THANK YOU, Stephanie Barley and Susan Shaw Questions: [Contact Collection Boxes](#)

Are you interested in offering programming or scheduling an event for the UUCC community?

Please use this [program request online form](#) to help guide the process.

Connections by Day of the Week


ALL church events and meetings are reflected on the UUCC calendar
Click below to view ALL events, including any group meetings or other business meetings.



<https://www.augustauu.org/calendar-and-communications/>

[Click here to join Events in the Zoom Room](#)

For other ways to join Zoom, see [General Information](#)

Zoom meeting id: 823 807 0673 – Password: 6971

<p><u>Monday</u> Each week <u>6:30 – 8:00</u> <u>p.m.</u> See details</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><u>Peaceful Heart Sangha</u></p> <p>We meet <u>EVERY Monday online</u>. You may join us at 6:15 to settle in. The group also meets <u>in-person</u> in the Sanctuary (not hybrid), <u>ONLY on the first Monday of each month</u>.</p> <p>Please contact Marty Soule for updated Zoom login information at: email: martysoule@gmail.com. FMI: peacefulheartsangha@gmail.com <i>Sangha gatherings are free and open to all.</i></p> 
<p><u>2nd & 4th</u> <u>Monday</u> <u>9:30 – Noon</u> Next Meeting is Mar 10th</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><u>Sewing/Craft/Hobby Group</u></p> <p>Sewing/Craft/Hobby Group meets in the Fellowship Hall the 2nd and 4th Monday of each month from 9:30 am - 12:00 Noon. We ask that attendees help set up and put away tables and chairs.</p> <p>Just bring whatever you'd like to work on, machine or hand sewing, craft or hobby item you are working on, and we will all help one another as needed. Be sure to let us know if there is anything you need from one of us...we are likely to have whatever it is! Questions: Contact Martha or Nancy at <u>Contact Sewing/Craft Group</u> All are welcome. Bring a friend, if you like.</p>
<p><u>Tuesday</u> <u>10:30 a.m.</u> <u>UUCC</u> <u>Virtual</u> <u>Zoom</u></p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><u>Lectio Divina</u></p> <p>A weekly Lectio Divina program will be offered weekly on Tuesday beginning on September 10th from 10:30 to 11:30. Lectio Divina can be translated as divine reading. We will share a chalice lighting, centering meditation, sharing and reflection time based with a variety of sources.</p> <p>This program will be facilitated by Rev. Donna Dolham and Lori Milner and is open to the wider community. Join as you're able, you do not need to attend every week, although you are welcome to!</p>

<p>Wednes- day 6:00 - 7:30 p.m.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><u>UUCC Choir Rehearsal</u></p> <p>Our weekly choir rehearsal takes place from 6pm to 7:30pm in the sanctuary. We look forward to welcoming new members! Inquiries to Bridget Convey at Contact Music Director.</p>
<p>Wednes- days Each Week 5:00 – 6:00 p.m.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><u>Gentle YOGA</u></p> <p style="text-align: center;">Hosted by Debbie Mattson</p> <p>UU Yoga is offered as a hybrid gathering. People can choose to gather in the Fellowship Hall for yoga, Wednesdays 5 PM-6 PM or join via zoom. Here is the zoom link:</p> <p>https://maine.zoom.us/j/95825651125?pwd=UWJpOVFjVFJGb3dMWmZoOT-RXa3VoUT09 ----- Password: 174192</p> <p>Please join us a few minutes before 5:00 to settle in so we can begin class right at 5 p.m. FMI: Contact Yoga Class</p> 
<p>2nd & 4th Wednesday 1:00-2:30pm</p> <p style="text-align: center;">2nd and 4th Fellowship Hall</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><u>Seasoned Souls</u></p> <p>BEGINNING February 26, Seasoned Souls began meeting <u>IN-PERSON only</u> in the Fellowship Hall. Join us!!</p> <p>Seasoned Souls is a group of participants in the UUCC community who are over 65 years of age and meet as a study/support group to talk openly about topics related to the aging process. We meet on the 2nd and 4th Wednesday of each month from 1:00 – 2:30 p.m. in-person in the Fellowship Hall ONLY</p> <p>FMI: For more information please contact Hal Booth at Contact Seasoned Souls.</p>
<p>Thursdays Each Week 8:00 – 9:30 a.m.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><u>Peaceful Heart Sangha</u></p> <p>You may join us at 7:45 a.m. to settle in. Meet from 8-9:30 -- IN-PERSON every Thursday at the River Studio, 332 Water St. Hallowell (except the last Thursday of the month) -- BY Private ZOOM – last Thursday of the month</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Please contact Marty Soule for updated login information at martysoule@gmail.com. FMI: peacefulheartsangha@gmail.com <i>Sangha gatherings are free and open to all.</i></p> 
<p>1st Thursday Noon-1:30 p.m.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><u>Read Learn Share Book Group</u></p> <p>We are group for people who want to expand our horizons and deepen our connections. Each month between October and June we discuss a book, fiction one month, nonfiction the next which we have chosen by vote. As we read books by authors from around the world and from the margins of our country, we learn and grow. Although we stick to</p>

<p>Next Meeting is Mar 6th</p>	<p>questions focussed on the books, we inevitably learn more about one another.</p> <p>We meet on the first Thursday of the month from noon until 1:30, both in the church Zoom Room and in Fellowship Hall. We are an open group so you can look at the list for the year, which is printed in the Flaming Chalice newsletter, and choose to attend whichever month(s) interest you.</p> <div data-bbox="318 380 534 701" data-label="Image"> </div> <p>We will meet on MARCH 6 to discuss <u>THE FROZEN RIVER</u> by Ariel Lawhon, set right here in the Kennebec Valley.</p> <p><i>A gripping historical mystery inspired by the life and diary of Martha Ballard, a renowned 18th-century midwife who defied the legal system and wrote herself into American history. ~Goodreads</i></p> <p>Our title for April 2 is <u>Following Ezra</u> by Thomas Fields-Meyer. If you would like more information, please reach out to June Zellers and Kathy Kellison at Contact Bookgroup Leaders.</p> <p><i>A heartwarming, intimate and amusing memoir of a father's experience raising his autistic son. ~ Goodreads</i></p> <div data-bbox="1203 602 1463 989" data-label="Image"> </div>
<p>Fridays <u>Each Week</u> 6:00 – 7:00 p.m.</p>	<p><u>Fabulous Friday AA Meeting</u></p> <p>Join us for this Alcoholics Anonymous meeting from 6-7pm in the church at 69 Winthrop St. Please enter through the Summer Street door and join us in the room straight ahead and through the double doors.</p>
<p>4th <u>Friday</u> 6:30 – 8:30 <u>Sanctuary</u> Next Meeting is Mar 28th</p>	<p><u>Free Style Drum Circle</u></p> <p>The Augusta Community Drum Circle is a free style drum circle welcoming people of all ages, walks of life, and abilities. Free style means no one is assigned ‘pieces’ to play. Just play! Or don’t play! Just come watch, sing, dance, or bring your own instruments. No one cares if you’ve never played before or if you make a mistake. As long as you are having fun you can’t get it wrong! <u>ALL are welcome.</u> Event is FREE, No RSVP, just come!</p> <p>The Drum Circle meets the fourth Friday of each month at 6:30 pm in the Sanctuary. For more information you can contact Mike Moody at mtmoods@gmail.com or 229-1118.</p>
<p><u>Every Saturday</u> 9:00–11 am in the Sanctuary</p>	<p><u>UUC Occasional Orchestra</u></p> <p>Rehearsals are held Saturdays in the Sanctuary from 9:00-11:00 a.m.</p> <p>Come and share your musical talents with our UUC community. All are welcome, please join us!</p> <p>Questions: please contact our UUCOO Orchestra Director, Michael P. Atkinson at: Contact UUCOO Director</p>

<p>3rd Sunday 11am- 12:30 p.m.</p> <p>Next Lunch is Mar 16th</p>	<p align="center"><u>FELLOWSHIP LUNCH</u> 3rd Sunday (October – June) 11:30-12:30pm, Fellowship Hall</p> <p>Enjoy community at a restaurant style sit-down meal – no need to register – just join us in Fellowship Hall after the service. We generally have a "base" kitchen crew but need a few extra volunteers to help set up and serve. To sign up to help set up or serve, please email Marilyn Dunn at Contact Fellowship Lunch.</p>
<p>4th Sunday</p> <p>Fellowship Hour</p> <p>Next Meeting is Mar 23rd</p>	<p align="center"><u>FREE BOOK CENTER</u></p> <p align="center">Located in the Library Bookcase</p> <p>See the FREE BOOK DISPLAY during Fellowship Hour on the fourth Sunday. Variety of topics. Service Project of Small Group Ministry</p> <p align="center">Contact: Mary Shifman Contact FREE BOOKS</p>
<p>4th Sunday</p> <p>1-2:30 p.m.</p> <p>Next Meeting is Mar 23rd</p>	<p align="center"><u>Goddess / Earth Circles</u></p> <p align="center">GODDESS/Earth Circles Goddess/Earth Circles: 1:00-2:30pm - In person in FH/UUCC Zoom</p> <p align="center">UU Journey into Earth-Based spirituality: These two sessions consider Feminist/Earth-Based Spirituality: the impact on individuals, congregations and UUism today.</p> <p align="center"><u>March 23</u> Cakes for the Queen of Heaven: Reflections of Women who have taken this course are Welcome.</p> <p align="center"><u>April 27</u> UU Women: Liberating History, Library Women’s Collection</p> <p align="center">Goddess/Earth Circles focuses on the phases of our lives and earth-based spirituality. All ages and genders are welcome FMI Contact Helen Zidowecki at Contact Goddess/EC.</p>

Social Justice Updates

See the [Notices / News] section above for information about a Women’s March this Saturday – March 8th.

Check this section in the Next E-blast for ways we can make a difference.

Board of Trustees

Agenda
Thursday March 13, 2025
5:00 to 7:00 pm
in-person & Zoom



Present:

[Board Covenant](#)

Chalice Lighting:

Check-in: [breathe with me]

Board Members (Read)

Karen Allen

Michaela Loisel

New Business

1. Approve [prior month minutes](#) -
2. Personnel Committee Report Harold Burnett, Jane Gilbert, George Lapointe
3. Finance Committee Report Harry Grimmnitz
4. Treasurer's Report Nancy Fritz
5. Safety Committee Update Jim Caldwell, Michaela Loisel, Karen Allen
6. President's Report Michaela Loisel
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7. Minister's Report Rev. Dolham
-
8. Vice President Update Karen Allen
9. Thank You

Old Business

Chalice Extinguishing:

Michaela Loisel

ADJOURN:

Board meetings are open to ALL. If you have an item that you would like the Board to consider, please contact Michaelatloisel@gmail.com **Next Board meeting: April 10, 2025**

All are welcome to attend but please see the [UUCU Policy for Board Meeting Visitors](#).
If you have an item that you would like the Board to consider,
please contact [Board President](#).

General Information

Worship Services are held IN-PERSON
Events may still be held virtually in the
UCC ZOOM ROOM

Other ways to UCC Zoom Room Zoom:

- 1. Join from your internet browser by clicking this link or typing this into your browser:**
<https://zoom.us/j/8238070673>, launch Zoom, then enter **passcode: 6971**
- 2. Select “Join Meeting” from the Zoom application on your computer or mobile device.**

UCC Meeting ID: 823 807 0673 – then enter **passcode: 6971**

- 3. Join by phone:** dial 1 646 558 8656 (**NOTE:** toll charge may apply)

At first prompt (meeting id: 823 807 0673#)

At second prompt: press # (no personal id needed) <No passcode needed when joining by phone>

NOTE---*6 is mute AND un-mute on your phone. The host cannot mute or un-mute people who phone-in.

HOSTS: Once in your meeting, claim the host using the **HOST KEY** as you have done in the past.

UCC Pastoral Ministry Team

We are here for you. Feel free to reach out in times of need for compassionate listening, for casual conversation, to share some good news, to share your struggle or just to say hello.

Caring Cooperative support includes rides, meals, errands, get well and condolence cards as well as companion visits. If you would like to request or suggest meal support or cards, contact us too.

Reach out to: [Contact Pastoral Ministry Team](#)

Martha Pelletier, Chair

Helen Zidowecki

Peggy Lamb

Lori Milner

UCC Small Group Ministry



Looking for greater human and spiritual connection during this most disconnected of times? Small Group Ministry offers this vital need in our spiritual community, and so much more! For more information, contact Linda Findlay and Helen Zidowecki [Contact SGM Leaders](#)

UUC Office Hours & Notes

UPDATED E-blast & Office Hours

E-blasts will be produced on the 1st and 3rd Wednesdays of each month. The upcoming schedule is:

- E-Blast (3/5)
- NO E-Blast (3/12)
- E-Blast (3/19)
- NO E-blast (3/26)

UUC Office Hours NEXT WEEK

Church Administrator

“Walk-In” / Open Office hours <CHG effective 2/5/25>

Open office hours for walk-in service by the administrator will now be limited to:

Tues or Thurs – 10:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.

---- Or by appointment ---- [Contact Admin](#)

Rev. Donna Dolham

Minister’s study – (207) 623-3663

Pastoral Emergencies only - use cell phone

Email: [Contact Minister](#)

- EBLAST SUBMISSION DEADLINE: Articles due by noon on Tuesday, the day before the E-blast is distributed. Articles received after this time may not be included in the E-blast. Send articles to admin@augustauu.org

Visit [Calendly Scheduling Link](#) to schedule an appointment with Rev. Dolham.

Mondays will be Rev. Donna’s Sabbath. If you are having a pastoral care emergency, please call her cell phone and leave a message at: 207 701-1581.

Fridays will be a writing day and Rev. Donna will not regularly be checking emails or returning non urgent calls.

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