

E-Blast

Unitarian Universalist Community Church
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A message from our Minister

Dear Ones,

It is a joy to minister with you, beside you, and shoulder to shoulder during this time. As changes occur in our nation, our state, our community and our congregation it is important that we practice a faith that invites innovation while remaining connected to our heritage. We are creating spaces for those who yearn for the saving message of Unitarian Universalism during these challenging times. When we show up for each other and our communities, we have an opportunity to live into connections that strengthen the fabric of our shared lives.

I hope you'll join me in attending the *Love is Louder* event this Sunday, October 26th, from 1 to 4pm at Capital Park in Augusta. The day will offer an opportunity to connect as a community, building relationships instead of division. Thank you to the Capital Area Interfaith Coalition for helping to create this community-wide event.

October has been an unusual month for me and for us as it relates to my presence and leading Sunday worship. This is the first month since serving UUCC that I have not been in the pulpit during a fall month! Through a confluence of events, I've either been present but not in the pulpit, preaching in Rockland as Rev. Marty Pelham and I did a "pulpit switch," or I have been away. This October, I've taken advantage of one week of study leave creating an opportunity for me to reflect more deeply with space and colleagues about ministering in these times.

This year I was accepted into a program for clergy created by [Never the Less She Preached](#). Their focus this year was on creating opportunities for clergy to create spaces of restoration as we serve our communities. Cohorts have been meeting over the last couple of months and will continue to meet over the next few months. Each cohort will eventually offer an online session related to their focus area. My cohort's focus area is Queer Theology and Ministering while Queer. I'll keep you posted on this online workshop as more information and details become available.

Part of this program included an in person retreat which I attended Oct. 6th through Oct. 9th in Dripping Springs, TX, outside of Austin. The space created moments of spiritual centering, creative practice and a practice of restoration. I look forward to sharing more about that with you over time.

Ministerial Agreements are clear and different than other work environments. Below is an excerpt from our agreement that explains a bit more about the Ministerial Benefit of *Study Leave*. Don't hesitate to ask questions. I invite your curiosity as we move forward together in this shared ministry.

***Ministerial Study Leave taken from our Ministerial Agreement which is part of our contract for settled ministry.**

4.3 Study Leave: In recognition that Ministers need extended time away from the stresses and demands of daily congregational life to deepen their calling and develop their skills, the Minister will have four weeks (or the equivalent number of working days) of study leave per year. The Minister is working during Study Leave. Should a Congregational emergency arise requiring the Minister's return from study leave, all reasonable costs of such return will be borne by the Congregation. Study leave is not paid out upon termination.

Study leave may include, but is not limited to, spiritual retreat, spiritual practices, continuing education, attending conferences and trainings, work-related reading and planning, study groups, writing, pilgrimage, or teaching/preaching at locations away from the minister's primary congregation. Attendance at General Assembly, regional UUA gatherings, UUMA Chapter Meetings and Ministry Days are not part of study leave as they are considered associational responsibilities. Seven consecutive days of leave, inclusive of the minister's regular day(s) off, constitute one full week of study leave. Ministers often choose to take study leave in increments of less than a full week. The four weeks can be broken out into an equivalent number of working days, e.g., 20 days for a 5-day workweek.

Belonging

Thank you to all who help create a sense of belonging at UUCC and in our greater community. Last month's theme, Belonging, invited us to intentionally reflect on how and why this is such an important part of community. Below are the videos created from the volunteers who answered the question:

What does it mean to you to belong to UUCC?

Belonging Part One: <https://youtu.be/UhhT6mJUMCM>

Belonging Part Two: https://youtu.be/ZonE_1LRPHo

Belonging Part Three: <https://youtu.be/106vmzQDmtY>

Belonging Part Four: <https://youtu.be/toXrGVk4YCM>

These videos are currently on the homepage of our website and eventually will be relocated to the connections section of the website.

~ Rev. Donna Dolham, she, her

Committee on Shared Ministry Update:

Welcome to Susan Caldwell who has recently joined the team! The current team is made up of Susan, Eowyn Levene, Annie Blanchard and Rev. Donna.

Love and Light,
Rev. Donna (she/her)

Upcoming Services

Sunday October 26, 2025 Ingathering music to begin at 9:55 a.m. ***** In 1997 UUCC was introduced to Small Group Ministry. Several members from that introduction are still part of the UUCC Community. Over 200 people have been active participants in the SGM over the ensuing years. There are presently about forty people in SGM groups. We are in the process of creating new opportunities. We hope you enjoy our service and please see the Small Group Ministry Brochure and Application in the front hallway of the church.	<i>Moved to Compassion</i> Linda Findlay and Helen Zidowecki, SGM Co-Chairs Each year Small Group Ministry offers reflections of experience in SGM groups. This year focuses on the October theme of Compassion that includes: ▪ Shared ministry within UUCC and broader community. ▪ Personal connection, bonding, and being in covenant with each other, as SGM is with the larger UUCC community and broader universe. ▪ Going deeper in our understanding of life issues and living in love and compassion. ▪ Engaging with service within UUCC and beyond. Contributors to this service include over a dozen Small Group Ministry participants introduced throughout the service. A special thank you to our worship arts team. Nan Bell will be our worship associate. Slides developed by Nan Bell will be run by Cheryl Ring. Angie Blevins will serve as our Boxcast tech. Stefanie Barley will be our pianist. Other members of the team are our usher, Susanne Ashland and our Board of Trustees greeter, Marcus Treece. Stick around after the service for a Farmer's Market in Fellowship Hall and another Inquirers session: Pastoral Care with Martha Pelletier. ALSO... we hope you will join us at the Love is Louder event being held in Mill Park beginning at 1:00 p.m. <See Below for details on all these events>
Sunday November 2, 2025 Ingathering music to begin at 9:55 a.m. Daylight Savings Time Ends NEXT Sunday, 11/2 Clock's "Fall back one hour" at 2:00 am	Rev. Donna Dolham A special thank you to our worship arts team. Kathy Kellison will be our worship associate. Slides were developed by Hanna Brown and Angie Blevins will serve as our Boxcast tech. Our pianist will be Morgan Lee. Other members of the team are Marty Soule, our usher and our Board of Trustees greeter, Becky Harvey.  After today's service, we will meet again down by the river (at the bottom of Winthrop St. <See below for details.>

Sunday worship service is held IN-PERSON in the Sanctuary.

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

If you want to watch the livestream of the service (or watch it again), please visit:

<https://boxcast.tv/channel/mtifpth0utvesjqgiyej>

Special Events / Opportunities

THIS SUNDAY EVENTS

UUCC Farmer's Market

October 26, 2025 (after Sunday service)

Join us after service for a market that includes homemade items such as Microwave Cozies, along with fresh homegrown produce, preserves, dried or fresh teas, herbs and flowers, grape and pear/ginger shrubs and rosemary butter. We will have a variety of creative goodies to offer. Fresh produce will be sold on a pay as you will basis and all preserved or otherwise packaged items will be priced.

If you have items that you would like to donate, please contact [Karen Foust](#) or bring them on Sunday October 26th between 8:30 and 9:30 a.m.

Inquirer's Series

A conversation for visitors, newcomers and new members, and occasional inquiring members. Meets in the room next to the nursery 15 minutes after the Service.

**Sunday October 26th
Pastoral Care with Martha Pelletier**



**In Maine
LOVE IS
LOUDER
PART II**

**Sunday
October 26, 2025
1PM - 4PM
Mill Park Augusta**

**SAVE
THE
DATE**

Join us Sunday, October 26 for a non-partisan gathering to celebrate our unity, honor our differences, and commit ourselves to the inspiration of love. ♥

Stay tuned for more information

- Guest Speakers
- Music
- Rain OR Shine

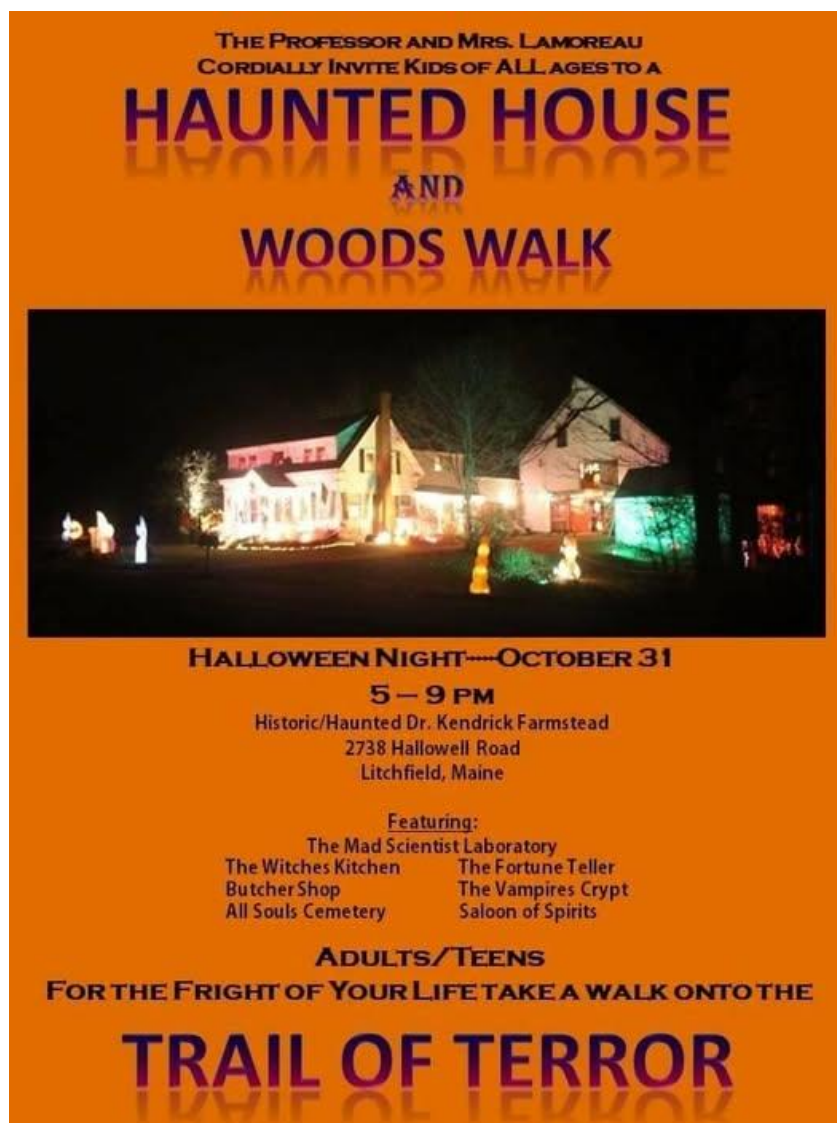
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SOCIAL ACTIVITIES

Friday Oct. 31 – Haunted House/Woods Walk

Let's join together on Friday, October 31 for a night of fun and adventure for both the young and young at heart. It's a rain or moonshine event at Lamoreau home, located at 2738 Hallowell Rd., Litchfield.

Cheryl Clukey and Marilyn Dunn are going. Join them for this fun event. Email Cheryl Clukey at cherlclukey5@yahoo.com if interested.



(If you survive the Trail of Terror...)

Please help rake church grounds Nov. 1st from 9 a.m. to Noon

(Rain date after church on Nov. 8th)



This is the annual fall clean up. We rake onto drop cloths and dump into compost bin so there is no bagging. Please bring a rake and gloves if you have them. If not, we usually have extras. When we have a good turnout it only takes a couple of hours.

Please confirm with Marilyn Dunn at maine2007@hotmail.com that you plan to help (and prevent her fretting).

UUCC Augusta Community Concert Series

Season Opener!

Saturday, November 1, 2025 4:00pm

Our first Community Concert Series performance of the 2025-2026 season will take place on Saturday, November 1st from 4pm to 5pm: <https://www.augustauu.org/about-3-5>.

Songs From Here <https://www.songsfromhere.com/> featuring Sarah Tuttle (mezzo-soprano), Bridget Convey (piano), and guest poet Jeri Theriault <https://www.jeritheriault.com/>.

This season Songs From Here is focusing on the trades and crafts of Maine. Their program weaves together music, songs and poetry that reflect the bounty of talent that we have here in the state of Maine. Our UUCC Orchestra Director, Michael P. Atkinson <https://michael-p-atkinson.com/>, has arranged beautiful songs by Gordon Bok for Sarah and Bridget. Our guest poet, Jeri Theriault, is inspired to honor her Franco-American roots with a brand new poem written just for this performance!

Also on the program are commissioned works by Maine composers:

Erica Ball <http://www.ericajball.com/>,

Scott Barber <https://www.almajuneandthepersiancats.com/scott-barber>, and

Neil Pearlman <https://www.neilpearlman.com/>.

This one hour concert program will be followed by a light reception in the fellowship hall.

This concert is free, but donations are welcomed!



November 2nd at 11:45 a.m.

Join June Zellers and Kathy Kellison on Sunday, November 2nd, for the last in a 3-part series entitled "Engaging with our Watershed." Join us even if you missed the other sessions.

We will meet in the small park by the Kennebec River at the bottom of Winthrop Street. The session begins at 11:45 a.m. and ends at 12:30 p.m. Drive or walk down.

We will begin with a reading; enjoy a contemplative exercise while engaging with the "more-than-human" beings around us; have a time for sharing; and then end with some closing words. (Feel free to bring food/beverage and even a cushion if you wish to sit.)

We hope you will join us in observing our watershed as autumn steps forward.

The series is based on programming developed by The Center for Spirituality in Nature and inspired by our work with The BTS Center. For information, contact June or Kathy at [Green Team](#).



Please join us Nov. 5th for this UUC Holiday Fair crafting opportunity. Nan Bell and Rev. Donna Dolham will facilitate an ornament and bowl felting workshop for items that will be donated to the UUC Holiday Fair. Bring a Bag supper and be prepared for making connections and art for UUC's Holiday Fair.

Supplies will be provided. Register here: [Felting for the Fair](#)

Mid-Maine Unitarian Universalist Neighborhood Leadership Gathering

Saturday, November 8, 2025, 9:00 am to 4:00 pm
First Universalist Church, 345 Broadway, Rockland

Goals: To create opportunities for area UU leadership to share, inspire and support one another.

Agenda: Will include worship, discussion in small and large groups, and a shared meal. Lunch will be provided.

Who Is Invited: Please invite clergy, DRE, Board members, Treasurer/finance people, Group/Committee members, recent leaders, and anybody who is interested in supporting the well-being of your congregation.

More Info: Check out the poster in the Fellowship Hall or contact [Karen Allen](#).

SAVE THE DATE EVENTS:

SAVE THE DATE: Sunday, November 9th from 11:30 to 1:00 in the Sanctuary

Join us for the kick off of our **Green Sanctuary initiative**.

Bring a brown bag lunch or snacks.

Participate in a small breakout group to discover where you can make a difference.

More details in the next e-Blast.

*****SAVE THE DATE*** *Harvest Supper*** Friday, Nov. 21 – More details in next E-blast

Crafting for Young People will be offered on two consecutive Saturdays, **Nov. 22 and 29**, from 10:30 to 1:30 in Fellowship Hall. This exciting new opportunity is for young people ages 8 through 12. The guides for the day include Nancy Fritz, an experienced quilter, Kathy Sparrow, a former public school art teacher and Martha Naber, a former home economics teacher. They have many years of experience guiding children in crafts. All material will be provided. There is no program charge. Children will be asked to bring their own lunch.

Advance registration is required. [Click here to register](#) for Crafting for Young People

Calling all Pie Bakers!



We're **needing** 40 - 50 Thanksgiving pies -- all sizes, fresh or frozen, **store-bought or home baked** --to sell at Longfellow's Greenhouse in Manchester, on the Saturday **morning** before Thanksgiving, November 22. **All proceeds benefit UUCU. Cash donations also welcomed.**

If you can bake or donate, please sign **the sheet** in the Fellowship Hall. Let us know what kind of pie, how many pies you will make, **and list** your contact phone/cell number.

Pies are needed at church by Friday, November 21, **no later than 3:00 p.m.,** Or you may deliver them directly to Longfellow's by 8:30 a.m. on Saturday, November 22. Please inform Kathy Shaw or Catherine Palmer of your plans.

If there are any pies left **over**, we will offer them for sale at Fellowship Hour on **Sunday**, November 23rd. The pies may be purchased with cash, check or credit card.

Annual UUCU Holiday Fair

December 6, 2025 - 9:00 - 2:00 pm

It's time to start planning for the annual holiday fair! I am excited to take the lead on this event and coordinate volunteers to make this major fundraiser a success this year. Below is a list of ways you can help:

- Advertise the Fair / Display signage in the community & at the church
- Set Up - Dec. 5 @ 3:00 pm
- Clean Up - Dec. 6 @ 2:00 pm

- Decorate Fellowship Hall / Sanctuary
- Coordinate wreath orders
- Staff needed for the fair -
- Greeters -

- Collecting Money -
- Cookie Walk table -
- Soup sales in the Kitchen

- Make cookies
- Make soup

- Help make bows & pinecone bunches & decorate wreaths
- Make Gift & Floral Holiday Baskets
- Donate handmade items
- Donate costume jewelry
- Donate good quality Christmas ornaments

Please consider what you might like to do to get involved. I am posting sign-up sheets on the bulletin board in Fellowship Hall.

Thank you to folks who have already signed up!



Nan Bell

April 2026 Annual Auction

We are THANKFUL for THESE EARLY BIRD DONATIONS:

Painting by Artist Sandy Dunn	\$20 gift card from Shaws
Photograph by Stephen Dunn (posthumously)	\$30 dinner from Texas Roadhouse
8 x 10" print by Artist Alan Claude	\$25 gift card by Harvest Moon Deli
\$200 in auto service from Charlie's Motor Mall	One year free post box rental from Mailing Center

(Target, Starbucks and Lamey Wellehan have offered to donate in January)

Marsha Stone and Catherine Palmer will enter details of all future auction items into our online Breeze app. Please contact one of them if you have an auction item to offer. This winter, we will post the complete AUCTION CATALOG on our church web page. Contact Auction Chair Catherine Palmer at **207.458.7384**.

NOTICES / NEWS

Coffee Hour Update!

Thank you to DJ Guzofski for volunteering to coordinate the Coffee Hospitality on Sunday mornings. DJ has support including Marilyn Dunn who will help DJ find his way around and is available with a team of other helpers to be mentors when folks sign up for coffee hour who might need some guidance.

Please watch for more information as DJ begins in his new role. Coffee Hospitality is part of the Global Hospitality Committee.

Uucc Solar Farm UPDATE



On Thursday, November 2, 2023, Uucc bought a 7.2 kW share of a solar farm built by Revision Energy and located in Starks, Maine. We used \$23,580 from an unrestricted bequest from the estate of Mark Goldberg to finance a loan to ourselves to purchase our share. Since that time, we have been repaying that loan into our endowment fund on a ten-year schedule with 4% interest.

Our reasons for buying into a solar farm were rooted in our UU principles of reducing our impact on the earth as well as our fiduciary responsibility to reduce the amount of money we were paying to the electrical utility.

To date, our investment in the solar farm has been saving us about \$200 per month. We take great joy in the expanding utilization of our church building related to our ever-expanding program offerings to the greater community, and the opportunity to finance some of our electric use with a renewable energy source.

A two day **Sewing Retreat** was held at the church on Monday and Tuesday this week. They had a BLAST! Check out this crafty – fun loving group!



UUC Pastoral Ministry Team

The Pastoral Ministry Team is pleased to introduce our new Rides and Meals Coordinator, Helen Brown. Helen lives in Hallowell and has been attending UUC for 18 months. We would also like to welcome Tracy McNaughton as she returns to the team. We look forward to working together as we serve the congregation in this new church year.

The Pastoral Ministry Team is 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.

Pastoral support includes rides, meals, errands, get-well and condolence cards, as well as companion visits. If you would like to request or suggest a visit or call, support or cards, please complete the [Pastoral Ministry Request Form](#). For meals or rides, please contact our new [Rides and Meals Coordinator](#), Helen Brown.

---Martha Pelletier, Chair; Helen Zidowecki; Lori Milner; Tracy McNaughton, and Helen Brown---

The Covenant Engagement Team (CET)

Our October Promise:

**** Because we value our relationships with each other, we promise to: Take responsibility for our own words and actions and explore differences openly, directly, and with compassion while assuming the good intentions of one another.*

Questions/Comments: contact the [Covenant Engagement Team](#).

CET Team: Michaela Loisel, Liz Nitzel, June Zellers, and Rev. Donna Dolham



"So long as the human spirit thrives on this planet, music in some living form will accompany and sustain it and give it expressive meaning."

Aaron Copland

Thank you, Angie Blevins for sharing this message in our wayside pulpit at the corner of Winthrop and Summer Streets.

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.

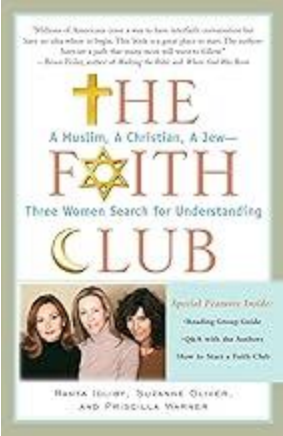
<https://www.augustauu.org/events-calendar>

[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

<u>Monday</u> Each week <u>6:30 – 8:00</u> <u>p.m.</u> See details	<u>Peaceful Heart Sangha</u> 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</u> of each month. Please contact Marty Soule for updated Zoom login information at: email: <u>martysoule@gmail.com</u>. FMI: <u>peacefulheartsangha@gmail.com</u> <i>Sangha gatherings are free and open to all.</i> 
<u>2nd & 4th</u> <u>Monday</u> <u>9:30 – Noon</u> Meeting October 27th & Nov. 10th	<u>Sewing/Craft/Hobby Group</u> 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. 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.
<u>Tuesday</u> <u>10:30 a.m.</u> <u>UUCC</u> <u>Virtual</u> <u>Zoom</u>	<u>Lectio Divina</u> <u>Important Notice:</u> Lectio Divina <u>will be held</u> on Nov. 4th, will <u>not be held</u> on Nov. 11th and will resume on Nov. 18th. --- Lori Milner and Rev. Donna Dolham A weekly Lectio Divina program will be offered weekly on Tuesday 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. 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!

<u>Tuesdays</u> <u>Each Week</u> <u>5:00 – 6:00</u> <u>p.m.</u>	<u>Gentle YOGA</u> Hosted by Debbie Mattson UU Yoga is offered as a hybrid gathering. People can choose to gather in the Fellowship Hall for yoga, Tuesdays 5 PM-6 PM or join via zoom. Here is the Gentle Yoga zoom link: https://maine.zoom.us/j/95825651125?pwd=UWJpOVFjVFJGb3dMWmZoOT-RXa3VoUT09 ----- Password: 174192 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 
<u>2nd & 4th</u> <u>Wednesday</u> <u>1:00-2:30pm</u> Fellowship Hall Nov. 12th and 26th	<u>Seasoned Souls</u> 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. FMI: For more information please contact Hal Booth at Contact Seasoned Souls.
<u>Wednes-</u> <u>day</u> <u>5:00 -</u> <u>7:00 p.m.</u>	<u>UUCC Choir Rehearsal</u> Our weekly choir rehearsal is held on Wednesday evenings from 5pm to 7:00pm in the sanctuary. We look forward to welcoming new members! Inquiries to Bridget Convey at Contact Music Director.
<u>Thursdays</u> <u>Each Week</u> <u>8:00 – 9:30</u> <u>a.m.</u>	<u>Peaceful Heart Sangha</u> 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 Please contact Marty Soule for updated login information at martysoule@gmail.com. FMI: peacefulheartsangha@gmail.com <u>Sangha gatherings are free and open to all.</u> 
<u>1st</u> <u>Thursday</u> <u>NEW TIME:</u> <u>10:30 to Noon</u>	<u>Read Learn Share Book Group</u> NOVEMBER 6 -- NEW TIME: 10:30-noon We have begun a new year of expanding our vision and deepening our connections. You are invited to read our title of the month and join our discussion. Our group is open to anyone who is interested in one of our titles or all of them. You can drop in or come every time: you will always be welcome. To be as inclusive as possible, we meet in Fellowship Hall and in the Church's virtual Zoom Room which you can access through www.augus-tauu.org or the link in the E-Blast.

	If we have no zoom participation by 10:45 WE WILL CLOSE THE ZOOM CONNECTION. If you want to attend on zoom and may be late, please let Kathy know and we will keep the link open.  Information for the upcoming month appears in the E-Blast every month. Our chosen book for our meeting on November 6 is <u>The Faith Club: A Muslim, A Christian A Jew</u> by Ranya Idliby Suzanne Oliver and Priscilla Warner. “A groundbreaking book about Americans searching for faith and mutual respect, <u>The Faith Club</u> weaves the story of three women, their three religions, and their urgent quest to understand one another.” On December 4 we will explore <u>The House in the Cerulean Sea</u> by TJ Klune.
<u>Fridays</u> <u>Each Week</u> <u>6:00 – 7:00</u> <u>p.m.</u>	<u>Fabulous Friday AA Meeting</u> 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.
<u>Every</u> <u>Saturday</u> 9:00–11 am in the Sanctuary	<u>UUCC Occasional Orchestra</u> UUCCOO rehearsals are held in the Sanctuary every Saturday morning, 9-11:00 a.m. Come and share your musical talents with our UUCC community. All are welcome, please join us! Questions: please contact our UUCCOO Orchestra Director, Michael P. Atkinson at: <u>Contact UUCCOO Director</u>
<u>Sundays</u> <u>Each Week</u> 5:00-6:00pm Fellowship Hall, Zoom	<u>Serenity Sunday Al-Anon</u> Every Sunday, In person, use door on Summer St. Or ZOOM: Meeting ID #846 4156 7190 Passcode: #04330 Use Zoom only during inclement weather.
<u>3rd</u> <u>Sunday</u> <u>11am-</u> <u>12:30 p.m.</u>	<u>FELLOWSHIP LUNCH</u> 3rd Sunday (October – May) 11:30-12:30pm, Fellowship Hall Next lunch is Nov. 16. Join us after the service. 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.

<u>4th</u> <u>Sunday</u> <u>Fellowship</u> <u>Hour</u> Next Nov. 23rd	<u>FREE BOOK CENTER</u> November 23 during Fellowship Hour Visit the Library when the Committee Room is available. Service Project of Small Group Ministry Contact: Mary Shifman at FREE BOOKS
<u>4th</u> <u>Sunday</u> <u>1-3:00</u> <u>p.m.</u> Next Meeting is Oct. 26th	<u>Goddess / Earth Circles</u> Goddess/Earth Circles: 1:00 – 3:00 p.m. – Fellowship Hall, In Person Only Samhain: Join us in celebration of this conclusion of the growing period and the end of harvest. It is a celebration of hope and positive energy, release of things no longer needed, with space and energy for the new. Costumes are welcome, especially witch's hats as a sign of wisdom. 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.

[Social Justice Updates](#)

Don't miss this event!!

Love is Louder Rally – 1 to 4pm

Join us Sunday, October 26 for a non-partisan gathering to celebrate our unity, honor our differences, and commit ourselves to the inspiration of love. 

<See complete information above in Events.>

MUUSAN

**Maine Unitarian Universalist
State Advocacy Network**

Visit <http://www.muusan.org> for more information about how YOU can join other UU's to get involved promoting just, humane laws and policies in keeping with our UUA Principles.



Maine Unitarian Universalist State Advocacy Network

Saturday Nov 15th 2025
Fall Network Meeting
1030-1230 in person
at Augusta UU
or on zoom

*Join UU's from around the
state
with featured presenter
Rev Doctor Jodi Hayashida*

Board of Trustees

Board Highlights

At its October 9 meeting, the Board of Trustees:

- Heard from a member of the Augusta City Council about local policies related to Immigration and Customs Enforcement activities.
- Voted to designate the committee room near the Winthrop Street entrance, the nursery, and the meeting room next to the nursery as private spaces with appropriate signage.
- Voted to move forward with installation of the Summer St. automated door openers, and the \$5700 additional funds needed for the project be taken from the Premier Business Savings account.
- Voted to make the recommended changes to the Drew House lease
- Authorized establishment of the Community Garden and Habitat Team as a project of the Social Justice Committee to pursue transforming yards of the church campus into a community garden and natural habitat.

<Minutes will be posted on the bulletin board at the church when they are finalized.>

Next Board meeting: Thursday, Nov. 13th

All are welcome to attend but please see the [UUCC Policy for Board Meeting Visitors](#). If you have an item that you would like the Board to consider, please contact [Karen Allen](#) to make your item request to Karen one month in advance of the Board Meeting. September Board agenda will soon be available on the Website – Governance page and will be posted on the “Board of Trustees” bulletin board in the hallway of the Sanctuary.

General Information

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

Other ways to UUCC 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.**

UUCC 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.

UUCC 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.

For general inquiries: [Contact Pastoral Ministry Team](#)

Martha Pelletier, Chair Helen Zidowecki Lori Milner
Tracy McNaughton Helen Brown (rides / meals – reach out to [Meals/Rides.at.UUCC](#))



UUCC 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

The deadline for submissions to the E-Blast is noon on the Tuesday preceding the publication date.

The upcoming E-Blast schedule is:

- E-Blast (10/22)
- NO E-Blast (10/29)
- E-Blast (11/5)
- NO E-Blast (11/19)

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.

UUC Office Hours NEXT WEEK

Open office hours (Tues and Thurs 10am – 2pm)

Or by appointment

Rev. Donna Dolham

Minister's study – (207) 623-3663

Pastoral Emergencies only - use cell phone

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Church Administrator, Lynn M. Smith, [Contact Admin](#), Phone (207)622-3232

Music Director, Bridget Convey, [Contact Music Director](#)