



# The Flaming Chalice

The newsletter of The Unitarian Universalist Community Church  
69 Winthrop Street ~ PO Box 8 ~ Augusta, ME 04332-0008

## Worship Services Sundays at 9:15 and 11:00 a.m.

March 2013

**March 3**

“A Covenant of Civil Discourse”

Rev. Carie Johnsen

The Board of the Maine Council of Churches believes the fate of our democracy depends upon truthful and respectful interactions among us all, especially when we hold differing views. To express this belief, they created and adopted a Covenant for Civil Discourse. In this service we will lift up this covenant and consider the possibilities of a spiritual practice of civil discourse.

**March 10**

“Women in Our History”

UUCC History Committee

Who are some of the Unitarian and Universalist well-known historical women? Who have been some of the women in our UUCC history? In honor of March as Women’s History Month, the History Committee invites you to reflect on UU women who have made an impact on you.

**March 17**

“In Praise of Irish Blessings”

Rev. Carie Johnsen

As the choir sings “A Gaelic Blessing”, we the gathered community will explore the many blessings, prayers, sayings and proverbs of Irish culture. Help shape this service by sending personal stories or your favorite prayer or blessing to Rev. Carie Johnsen.

**March 24**

Greece

Molly Quintal

**March 31**

“Saved by Faith, Hope and Love”

Rev. Carie Johnsen  
Rev. Carol Strecker

This year’s Easter service will explore the words of Reinhold Niebuhr in the affirmation “We Must Be Saved” found in the back of our hymnal #461. The 9:15 service will begin with a time of multigenerational worship including a ritual of new hope as we engage in a ritual of child dedication. Please contact Rev. Carie Johnsen if you would like more information about having your children participate in the child dedication ritual.

### ***The Ritual of Child Dedication***

*Unitarian Universalists believe that every child brings new life and hope into the world. We set aside a special time, called simply the Ceremony of Dedication, for the community to bless the child and celebrate the blessing of this gift of life. The ceremony does not make the life of the child sacred; we believe that life is sacred inherently. When we dedicate a child we acknowledge the truth that each child’s life is sacred and hold that truth in the light of our faith.*

*~ taken from the pamphlet, We Dedicate This Child by Linda Olson Peebles*

## A Faith Journey by Rev. Carie Johnsen...

On Sunday I asked, 'What brought you here? Why do you stay?' Here is a bit of what I heard... Community, meaningful worship, companionship, connection.

On Monday the participants of the religious exploration course "Articulating Your UU Faith" considered the tension between community and individualism in Unitarian Universalism. Part of our conversation included consideration of the culture at UUCC, specifically is it more inclined toward community. This intriguing conversation came to a close much too quickly.

As I consider these two ministry moments I find myself returning to the following quote from the course reading.

'What would it mean to be a church where being in community meant more than just getting along, where it meant deepening our relationship with each other to a profound level, where real transformation takes place.'  
~ Barbara Wells

Might this be our unique calling in the world? What I observe over and over again at UUCC is a real desire to know each other, to find true acceptance and to be in authentic relationship. Equally I bear witness to members and friends looking for a deeper engagement with each other and with the wider community. The number of people signing up for the religious exploration, SGM, book discussion and social action events has been remarkable. Members of the community are hungry to engage in meaningful conversations and purposeful action.

Last month I engaged in a week of professional development. The first four days marked the beginning of *Beyond the Call: Preaching and Worship Arts* -- a two year program with 18 colleagues and three outstanding deans. The last four days I attended Institute *Excellence in Ministry* where I participated in a seminar "*Being More by Doing Less*." This week of thinking about ministry, mission and worship was the best I have experienced.

One model of ministry I found intriguing was theme-based ministry which centers around month long worship themes that spiral out into other ministries and groups in the congregation. This longer encounter with themes offers deeper theological engagement across the congregation. Congregations engaging in this model say theme-based ministry is creating a communities of people reflecting upon, talking about and engaging in common theme; thus nurturing spiritual growth and sparking connections across diverse groups and the committees within.

Several larger congregations have moved to this new model of doing ministry. Here are links to five communities that have uniquely embodied this model of ministry.

- ◆ All Souls Tulsa: <http://www.allsoulschurch.org/monthly-themes>
- ◆ White Bear Unitarian Universalist: <http://www.whitebearunitarian.org/wbuuc/living-the-questions>
- ◆ West Shore Unitarian Universalist Church: <http://www.wsuuc.org/worship/WorshipThemes2012-2013.php>
- ◆ Church of the Larger Fellowship: <http://www.questformeaning.org/reflecting/quest>
- ◆ First Unitarian Church of San Jose: [http://sanjoseuu.org/FUSJC\\_SGM/sgm\\_sessionLists.htm](http://sanjoseuu.org/FUSJC_SGM/sgm_sessionLists.htm)

Over the next several months I will be engaging various groups in conversations to explore the possibilities of theme based ministry here at UUCC. If you are interested in hearing more and offering your thoughts, let me know. I welcome the opportunity to consider this model of ministry with a wide segment of the congregation.

In faith, Rev. Carie

## Director of Religious Exploration ...

Rev. Carol Strecker

At the Religious Exploration Committee meeting a couple of weeks ago I learned about a wonderful tradition celebrated at UUCU; "Peeper Sunday". I guess the first person who hears a peeper who calls the church office heralds this year's "Peeper Sunday" and the following Sunday the whole congregation celebrates the end of the peepers' long winter's nap in the mud and the early signs of spring.

I've always loved peepers. It's one of the things I looked forward to most on spring visits to Maine when I lived in Massachusetts. When I moved to Maine I was thrilled to find a brook running behind my house that was home to those tiny harbingers of spring. I think it's a great tradition and I'm looking forward to the celebration. The light is returning. It won't be long now and I don't know about you but I'm ready!

There's a lot I'm looking forward to this spring. Our youth have some great adventures planned. The Coming of Age group will have an overnight here at the church on March 23rd. We'll be watching "The Wizard of Oz" together and talking about Dorothy's journey to OZ as a coming of age story. What she learns at by the end of the film isn't all that dissimilar from what we hope our youth will share with us at the end of their "Yellow Brick Road"; the Coming of Age worship service scheduled for May 12th. This is an amazing group of youth. I think they're finding the process of learning to discern and share what they value a challenge but they're working hard and they're getting there. I'm really very proud of them.

The Peace Jam group have some wonderful opportunities coming up this spring too. They'll have the opportunity to meet not one but two Nobel Peace Prize Laureates this spring. Leymeh Gbowee will be speaking in Portland on March 21st. Leymah Roberta Gbowee is a Liberian peace activist responsible for leading a women's peace movement that helped bring an end to the Second Liberian Civil War in 2003. Not only will our youth have the opportunity to hear her speak.

They've been invited to meet with her after her talk.

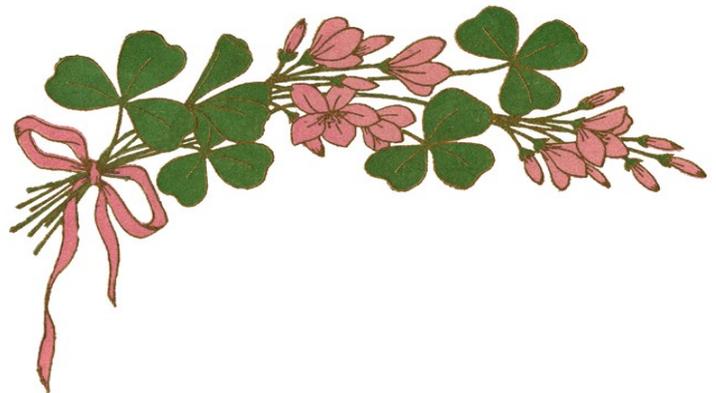
Our Peace Jammers are also preparing to attend the regional Peace Jam Spring Conference at the University of Connecticut the first weekend in April where Nobel Laureate Jody Williams will be a special guest. Jody Williams is an American political activist known around the world for her work in banning anti-personnel landmines, and her defense of human rights – especially those of women. Part of the conference involves each group sharing their projects for peace. This year our Peace Jam group has decided to focus on the issue of safe and clean drinking water for all. They're raising money to help communities in Africa dig wells that will give them access to their own source of water. Be on the look-out for ways you can help contribute to this worthy cause.

Those of you who were able to attend the Elder Lunch in February know that our Sr. Youth are caring and compassionate young people who dedicate a lot of time and energy to creating a more peaceful and just world. They'll be sharing their work with the congregation May 5th during worship.

It's truly a privilege to have the opportunity to help our youth realize their vision. Like the peepers in spring our youth restore my faith in life - in humanity.

Faithfully Yours,

Carol



## Leadership Conversations

Doug Rooks, President

February is pledge month – the moment when we consider how our financial contributions can help build the church community we all want to have. March calls for a different kind of contribution to our church life.

The Leadership Development Committee (formerly Nominating) has begun its work to produce a slate of officers, board members and committee chairs for the June 2 annual meeting. It's a big job. We have four officers, another four board members, and 14 standing committees, all of which have elected chairs. We also choose members for several committees, as required by the bylaws.

UUCC has a strong tradition of lay leadership, made stronger by our commitment to a Program Church system of governance. Policy decisions are in the hands of lay board members, and, in addition to those provided by our excellent staff, church programs are assisted or carried out by the committees. We also have a growing tradition of sharing the burden of leadership by asking for limited commitments by our leaders – generally two or three years.

That means that, every year, a lot of members will be fulfilling new leadership roles. And that's a good thing, I believe. By working in different capacities, leaders gain a greater understanding of the congregation's needs and they bring a fresh perspective and enthusiasm to their work. But the changing roles also means that the Leadership Development Committee needs to search far and wide for those capable of taking on these important tasks.

They need help. The process starts, I find, with leadership conversations – informal, one-on-one talks where we discover the interest and abilities of members who may never have been asked, but want to contribute. I've had many of these conversations myself, but we all ought to be having them. This is an enormously talented congregation, and while we may not always find the right person, that's only because we haven't had enough conversations.

If you think someone would enjoy serving on the board or one of the committees – and in addition to their chairs, the committees always need new members – ask them. Or perhaps you'd like to serve yourself. In that case, please speak to, call or e-mail one of the Leadership Development members: Annie Voorhees, chair, Janet Sawyer, and Lois Whitcomb. We've become a high-functioning church, with many new initiatives, in part because we have built our leadership capabilities, year by year and step by step. Please help us continue this tradition of service that benefits us all.

## Fundraising...

Bruce Bierce & Judy McCown, Co-Chairs

Three very special events are scheduled for March and April.

On Friday, March 15th, Fundraising will join with Social Activities to host a delicious **Southern Dinner** which will be followed by the award winning film, *The Help*. The cost is \$15 per person and the dinner will be held at 6 pm in the Fellowship Hall. Reservations are required. Half of the proceeds will be used to help pay for the Steel Band which will be performing here in June. For more information, please talk with Cheryl Clukey, Bruce or Judy.

The **Silent/Live Auction & Cafe** will be held on Friday, April 5th. Many thoughtful, fun, and meaningful donations have been made but we need at least 50 more to reach the goal of 100! *Donations can be big or small and we hope that everyone will contribute something* There are pink donation forms and a sign-up sheet on the Fundraising Bulletin Board in the Fellowship Hall or you may contact Bruce or Judy to make your donation. There are also white receipt forms on the Bulletin Board for you to give to local stores or restaurants who donate a gift certificate. Beginning in March we will be printing out a list of donations and also presenting one table of silent auction items for early bidding each Sunday during Fellowship Hour. This is the biggest FUNDRAISER of the year and we hope that everyone will participate in some way!

On Saturday, April 13th, there will be a unique opportunity to learn the art of **Silk Textile Creation**. This one day workshop at UUCC will be taught by Maia Tsinamdzgvrishvili from Tblisi, Georgia. Maia is recognized as the finest Georgian contemporary artist working in silk. Participants will make silk paper using different materials and will learn the felting process and see how the materials evolve from a very thin lace-like fabric to a solid one. The finished product can be used as a lovely picture or a book cover. The cost is \$60 per person plus \$10 for materials. For additional information, please contact Marty Thornton at 207-333-0938. A workshop will also be held on Sunday at the Harlow Gallery.

On-going fundraising activities include the sale of UUCC Cookbooks, note cards featuring a photograph of the church, Charlene Clevens lovely hand made greeting cards, and the Hannaford Gift Card program and CLYNK under the tireless leadership of Hannah Faulkner.

## You are invited to a Seder at our UUCC...

The Seder is a ritual meal held at the beginning of Passover during which the story of the exodus of the Jews from Egypt is told using a Haggadah. I have been celebrating Seder for over 30 years and have found its story of liberation, sacrifice, ritual and history very meaningful in my life. Each year our seder fills my heart and renews my commitment to progressive change.

The text for the Seder is the haggadah, which includes eating greens dipped in salt water to remind us of tears shed by slaves; the youngest child asking the four questions about Seder; hiding a piece of matzah that the kids must find; singing songs of liberation; drinking four glasses of wine or in our case grape juice (it's a mitzvah or good deed to do so); and fun games based on texts from the Torah (the first five books of the old testament) after dinner. Oh, and a scrumptious meal made without wheat flour and which traditionally includes: matzah ball soup, brisket or vegetarian alternative, kugel, or another noodle dish, and desserts like chocolate mouse or other flourless delights. There is also a place in the meal when we eat the Hillel sandwich, a combination of matzah crackers with horseradish and choroset, a mix of chopped apples, nuts, honey and wine/juice, which symbolizes the mortar that binds the bricks of the temples that the Jews were forced to build in Egypt. Not to worry, there will be alternatives to wine and meat dishes!

One of the four questions is "Why is this night different from all other nights?" The answer is "On all other nights we eat leavened bread, but on this night we eat only matzah." This is to remind us that the Jews left Egypt so quickly that they didn't have time to let their bread rise. Matzah is an unleavened bread.

Our Seder will be held on Friday March 29 at the UUCC at 6:00pm. The meal will be a potluck. I will put up a sign up sheet in the church for whom brings what. In the mean time you can think about it. We will need people to bring: matzah ball soup (there is a great matzah ball recipe on the Marnischewitz box; boxes of matzah; bottles of grape juice or sparkling grape juice (kosher for Passover is preferred); flourless main dishes such as brisket, fish, a vegan and vegetarian alternative; vegetable dishes; kugel or potato dishes; choroset; flourless desserts.

We will need to know how many are attending in order to plan the food. So please sign up.

Dale McCormick

## Nonviolent Communications Practice Group...

The **Nonviolent Communications Practice Group** is meeting the First and Third Fridays, 10:15-12:15, in the Robbins Room. The group is open to people who have taken Nonviolent Communication Training programs, or who are/have been in a practice group. Others may attend, but there is an expectation that they will attend a training when one becomes available. Some of the resources that we use may be available through the group.

The sessions will vary in content and format. The sessions for March are:

March 1 Empathy Poker, Helen Wing Facilitating

March 15 Small Group Ministry: NVC and Respect, Helen Zidowecki facilitating

For more information or to attend, contact Helen Wing at 685-3804, [hcranew-ing@roadrunner.com](mailto:hcranew-ing@roadrunner.com)

## Goddess Continuing....

**Goddess Continuing** invites all ages and genders to join us following the Second Service, 12:15-2pm with light refreshments.

**March 1 "Why the Goddess?"** in the Fellowship Hall. There are many ways to experience and describe a power beyond ourselves. Please join us to explore what draws us to the imagery of the Goddess and how that relates to our earth-centered focus of life.

**March 17 Spring/Vernal Equinox:** Overcoming Challenges, including the story of Persephone and Demeter and the emergence of Spring.

Please pick up the Goddess Continuing brochure. In addition, please see the brochure on Ostara, Vernal Equinox on the table outside the Sanctuary. Let us know if you would like copies of previous brochures.

Contact Mary Shifman, [shifmanmary@aol.com](mailto:shifmanmary@aol.com), 549-7719.

## Small Group Ministry...

### WHERE WE LIVE

A series of three Small Group Ministry Session Plans about where we live as life situations change.

Sundays, after Second Service, 12:15-2pm.

March 24	To Move or Not to Move*
April 28	Living Into the Decision
To Be Announced	What Now?

Light refreshments will be available.

The session plans have been developed through conversations with those who are considering, in the process of, or have completed change in living situations.

Join us to explore the possibilities and challenges, to share your experiences, and to engage with the complexities for individuals and loved ones. Sessions are applicable for all of us, individually and as we plan with family members.

## Spring is Here—

## Have You Heard

# Peepers?

Tradition has it that the first UUCU person to hear the peepers wins the honor of housing the brass peeper statue for the year. Even more important: the first person who hears the peepers heralds the real and true arrival of spring and prompts a church-wide celebration!

So, listen carefully. If you hear the peepers singing their song of spring, call the church office (623-3232) and leave a message stating your name, the date and the time you heard our tiny loud friends.

Happy listening!

## Membership...

**Save the Dates:** Thursday, May 2 - Newcomer and New Members Welcome Dinner in Fellowship Hall.

Sunday, May 5 -- New Members Recognition Ceremony at 11:00 Service

**Greeters & Hospitality:** The Membership Committee will be Greeting at both services on the first Sundays. They will also be offering the Hospitality in Fellowship Hall between services on the first Sundays. If anyone would like to learn the "how to" for Greeting or Hospitality please join us on the first Sunday of the month!

We continue to need volunteers for greeting and with coffee hour.

If you are willing please sign up on the sign up sheet in fellowship hall or let us know.

If you have questions about membership feel free to contact any of us on the membership committee:

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# Peaceful Heart Sangha



*~Everything Depends on Your Steps~*

*The seed of mindfulness is in each of us, but we usually forget to water it.*

*We think that happiness is only possible in the future - when we get a house, a car, a PhD.*

*We struggle in our mind and body, and we don't touch the peace and joy that are available right now - the blue sky, the green leaves, the eyes of our beloved.*

*What is most important?*

*Many people have passed exams and bought houses and cars, yet they are still unhappy.*

*What is most important is to find peace and to share it with others.*

*To have peace, you can begin by walking peacefully. Everything depends on your steps.*

*-Thich Nhat Hanh*

## Peaceful Heart Sangha

**Weekly Mindfulness Meditation** – stopping, calming, resting, healing – Mondays 6:30 – 8 at UUCC.

Also first & third Thursdays, 8 – 9:30 AM, at River Studio, 332 Water St, Hallowell.

**UUCC First Mondays – Children/Family Meditation**

5:30 – 6:15 with child care available 6:15 – 8:15.

~ Joining our February Children's meditation, I was overjoyed to find 17 children (ages 2 – 13) & adults practicing peaceful sharing around the circle.~

Peaceful Heart Sangha **Five Year Anniversary** will be recognized on February 25 & March 4.

### Day of Mindfulness

**Saturday, March 23, 9:30 – 3 or 4 (to be determined)**

**Guest Dharma Teacher, Joanne Friday**

**To include a formal transmission of the Five Mindfulness Trainings**

(The 5 MT are a wonderful way to energize and deepen our practice. NO ONE practices them perfectly

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they are just a direction in which we can move to lessen our stress & increase our joy.)

Those who are interested in a transmission will need to make their desire known several weeks before the ceremony. If you are interested, please let us know.

**Pre-registration for the Day of Mindfulness will be required due to our space limitations.**

Registration: Theodate Lawlor at [theo-date52@gmail.com](mailto:theo-date52@gmail.com) or 866-3244.

Cost: \$20, this can be waived for those who have financial challenges Bring: your own bag lunch.

### Wider Community

A new sangha will be starting soon at The First Parish Unitarian Universalist Church at 425 Congress Street, Portland. It will meet from 6:30 – 8 PM on Sundays. Thank you to Carol Strecker for helping that connection to happen. Other close sanghas include Bath and Farmington.

### Questions?

Contact [peacefulheartsangha@gmail.com](mailto:peacefulheartsangha@gmail.com) or [martysoule@gmail.com](mailto:martysoule@gmail.com) or 685-9270

## Articulating Your UU Faith...

Participants in the religious exploration study "Articulating Your UU Faith" have generously agreed to share their thoughts and credos over the next several months. They will be responding to one of two questions: What is Unitarian Universalism? What is it you believe?

So, what is this Unitarian Universalism?

It is a religious tradition that dates back to the Protestant Reformation. We are a church that values individual acts of faith (deeds) over a common dogma (creeds). As a religious community, we are able to glean spiritual wisdom for our lives from a wide variety of Sacred texts. ~ Nancee Campbell

It is a spiritual community of people who attempt to live considered lives, making choices that are congruent with their beliefs. It honors diversity, and so leaves each person free to draw her/his personal religious road map for life's pilgrimage while offering a solid set of ethical guidelines.

~Rita Moran

## Mark Your Calendar....

### Master Class in Silk Textile Creation

Presented by Georgian Artist  
Maia Tsinamdzgvrishvili

The instructor for this workshop, a master class, is Maia Tsinamdzgvrishvili from Tbilisi, Georgia. She is a graduate of the Tbilisi Vocational Art College with an additional four years of study at the Tbilisi State Academy of Fine Arts, Textile Department. She has exhibited widely in Georgia as well as in Poland, Switzerland, Israel, China, Spain, France, Russia, and Belgium. Maia has conducted master classes in Georgia, the Netherlands, and Florida (March 2013). She is recognized as the finest Georgian contemporary artist working in silk.

The Class: In this one-day workshop you will make two sheets of silk paper using different materials. One sheet will combine silk and wool. You will learn the felting process and see how the materials evolve from a very thin and lace like fabric to a solid one. The finished product can be used as a picture or even a book cover. The uses are limited only to your imagination. The finished size of your sheets will be slightly less than 40cm x 40 cm (15.5" x 15.5").

Two workshops will be conducted. There is a minimum of 5 students required for each workshop and both have a maximum of 12.

Dates: April 13 - Unitarian Universalist Community Church in Augusta

April 14 - KVAA Harlow Gallery in Hallowell

Time: 10:00 am to 5:00 pm (both days)

Registration: \$60 per workshop, KVAA members \$50 Materials/Supply fee: \$10 (discount for KVAA members only applies to workshop held at the Harlow Gallery)

To register for the UUCC Augusta class, sign up in the Fellowship Hall of the church or call Marty Thornton at: **207-333-0938**.

To register for the KVAA class call **622-3813**.

### Conversations with the Minister

Thursday March 14 and April 25  
6:00 - 8:00, The Minister's Study, in the Judd House at 71 Winthrop

This evening of informal conversation open to all newcomers and new members. Are you looking for time to get to know our minister, Rev. Carie Johnsen? Then join this circle for a time of getting acquainted. If you are new to the community and curious about Unitarian Universalism or just want to know more about Unitarian Universalist Community Church, then join us for this evening of casual conversation.

### Bringing it Home: Beyond Justice General Assembly, 2012

Calling for the Repudiation of the Doctrine of Discovery

Wednesday, March 6 and 20, 2013 Time: 5:30-7:30 Sanctuary

Facilitated by Jenn McAdoo, a UU Religious Educator

In this two session study, members and friends of UUCC will be invited to enter into a process of articulating why it is important for our Board of Trustees and congregation to repudiate the Doctrine. The goal will be to present a proposal to the UUCC Board to publicly repudiate the Doctrine of Discovery. Sign up on the bulletin board in fellowship hall or by emailing [admin@augustauu.org](mailto:admin@augustauu.org)

### Maine UU Social Advocacy Network

After the March 16th MUUSAN - Maine UU Social Advocacy Network meeting - which is 10-12:00, here at our church- UUCC, there will a meeting at 12:30- at the same place- regarding **Instant Run-Off Voting** : with Dick Woodbury who has submitted a bill to the legislature about it.

## Faith in Action

Faith in Action Committee meeting will be held on Sunday, March 10, between the two services ~ location to be determined. This will be six days before the next meeting of the newly formed state wide Maine UU Social Advocacy Network or MUUSAN. It's the equivalent of a Faith in Action group for all Maine UU churches.

The group has chosen three areas to focus on: Revitalizing democracy, Global climate change and Healthcare /Medicare change. Each of these areas has formed groups, chosen leaders and are meeting.

The Democracy group will meet on Feb.16th at UUC. If you are interested in joining, you're very welcome. Please come to the March 16th meeting from 10- 12:00 at UUC.

Faith in Action committee met on Jan. 15, Caroline and Helen Mckendry and Jenny Mckendry attended. We discussed making plans to take action in each of the three areas mentioned above. One action was to attend a rally, which was held at the State House, 2 days later- on Tues, Jan 17 regarding Citizens United. Some of our church members attended.

Lets plan actions we can take this spring. Please bring your ideas- all are welcome.

Jenny Mckendry, F I A Committee Chair, 622-4501, [jdrawmck@gwi.net](mailto:jdrawmck@gwi.net)



## Display Case...

Thanks to the Pastoral Care Team for the February Display on Compassionate Community: Dismantling Shame, Stigma, Fear Around Mental Illness. This was built around the workshop by Amy Kinney on ART.

The March display focuses on Unitarian Universalist Women for Women's History Month. Check out the display. See if you are familiar with the women in the quiz. And leave the name of a Unitarian Universalist Woman who is important to you. The display includes women who were Unitarian or Universalist before the consolidation of the denominations before 1960, as well as UUs. Sponsored by the History Committee.

For information on scheduling a display, contact Helen Zidowecki, the Thursday AM Small Group Ministry (582-5308, [hzmre@hzmre.com](mailto:hzmre@hzmre.com))

## History Committee...

March is Women's History Month. The History Committee invites you to consider UU Women. Are you familiar with the following women?

Abigail Adams	Louisa May Alcott
Susan B. Anthony	Clara Barton
Rachel Carson	Laurel Clark
Dorothea Dix	Sophia Lyons Fahs
Margaret Fuller	Eleanor Forbes
Joan Goodwin	Julia Ward Howe
Helen Hunt Jackson	Maria Mitchell
Judith Sargent Murray	Mary White Ovington
Elizabeth Palmer Peabody	Beatrix Potter
Malvina Reynolds	Juliet Underwood

You are welcome to look for the answers in the book, *Unitarian and Universalist Women: Liberating History*, published by the UU Women's Heritage Society. It will be in the Display Case in March. The book contains 119 profiles, and will be available for purchase at Fellowship Hour on March 10 (\$20, with \$5 donation to the church).

The History Committee is offering the Sunday service on March 10. We will be including women from throughout our denominational history, and from our own congregation. You are invited to remember UU women who have made a difference for you.

The next History Committee meeting is March 7, 1-2:30pm, Committee Room. Contact Krista Zidowecki (582-5308) if you have ideas for the March 10 service or would like to participate in the work of the Committee.

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**President:** Doug Rooks  
**Director of Religious Exploration:** Rev. Carol Strecker  
**Administrator:** Julie Pelletier  
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**Small Group Ministry Coordinator:** Kathy Kellison

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Thursday 1:00-6:00 pm

Additional times available by appointment. To set up a meeting or appointment, please contact Rev. Carie at: 623-3663 or [revcariejohnsen@gmail.com](mailto:revcariejohnsen@gmail.com)

Friday is my Sabbath. I do not schedule meetings, attend to emails or respond to messages. If there is a pastoral emergency, leave a message on my home or cell phone and I will return your call promptly.