



# The Flaming Chalice

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

May 2016

## Theme: Blessings

### SUNDAY SERVICES

May 1<sup>st</sup>                                      Sharing the Good News                                      Peter Mendall, Sr.

After twelve days following the "Footsteps of the Apostles" in Turkey and Greece, Peter arrives home to share the wisdom of his journey and his message of the Good News.

May 8<sup>th</sup>                                      Composting                                      PeaceJam Youth

Our PeaceJam youth once again pave the way and inspire the community. This service will kick-off a PeaceJam composting initiative.

May 15<sup>th</sup>                                      Blessing the Animals                                      Rev. Carie Johnsen  
Monique Mc Auliffe  
Brigid Chapin

All Congregational Potluck Picnic

**One Service only 11:00 a.m. at Mill Park, Water Street in Augusta**

Unitarian Universalists have a long-standing tradition of celebrating the web of life through the ritual of animal blessings. Rev. Carie, Monique and Brigid are very excited to craft a blessing for all the beloved pets in our community. This service and congregational picnic will be held at Mill Park under the shelter. Bring your own chair along with plates and silverware for you family and a dish to share with the community. We will provide some beverages, tables for service and some chairs.

May 22<sup>nd</sup> 9:15 a.m.                      Religious Exploration Recognition                      Brigid Chapin, Monique McAuliffe

Join us as we celebrate the coming transitions of our 5th graders into Jr. Youth, our 8th graders as they become Sr. Youth, our newly licensed drivers, and our graduating seniors as they move forward into new phases of their lives. This is truly a celebration for all of us as we recognize the value of community in the growth and development of our young people as they mature as Unitarian Universalists and citizens of the world.

11:00 a.m.                                      Beyond the Three-Legged Stool                                      Rev. Carie Johnsen

In this service, we will explore and expand upon the social justice model of a three-legged stool (education, advocacy, action) to embrace and celebrate relationships as the foundation on which all else rests.

**With the arrival of Memorial Day weekend we shift to  
ONE SERVICE AT 10:00 A.M.  
every Sunday through Labor Day Weekend.**

May 29<sup>th</sup>                                      **TBA**                                      Dale McCormick

## A Faith Journey...

It is hard to believe the church year will be soon be coming to a close. As May rolls in the worship committee is busy planning a full summer of spiritually grounded and inspired services; while the staff and religious exploration community begin to plan for the summer rhythm of nursery care and spirit play classrooms. We say we bring the church year to a close but, truth be told, summer services, nursery care and spirit play continue on for this faith community that never closes (yes, some New England UU churches close their doors in the summer). The energy simply shifts to accommodate the school vacations, summer travels and camp excursions.

While it is not time to write my Annual Report, I would like to reflect on a conversation that has been on a slow but steady simmer now for three years. It all began with our *Leap of Faith* year where we considered the Unitarian Universalist Association *Congregation and Beyond* initiatives which then led into the *Bold Relevance Adventurers* pilot project. All of which has to do with the grand questions: How shall we, as a community of faith, meet the deep heartache and the abundant joy in the world? How are we being called to respond to the changing religious demographic and shifting spiritual landscape in our community?

This has been a great year of experimenting and exploring these questions through direct and engaged programming, social justice and community building. While a team of four engaged the pilot project (more from this group later), the religious exploration programs ventured further down the road of active and engaged Sunday morning classrooms and field trips. Our outreach to the growing Iraqi immigrant community culminated in an impromptu New Years Eve interfaith gathering. As a capital city congregation our membership has responded regularly by bringing Unitarian Universalist values to the chambers of the Maine State House. Our membership is steady with a bit of growth; our OWL – Our Whole Lives—program attracted seven new families. The Uniting for Racial Justice invitations have inspired one group of members to become active allies with Maine-Wabanaki R.E.A.C.H., while a second group are engaging race questions through Debbie Irving’s book “Waking up White.” Our Small group ministry continues to help newcomers integrate into our community. Our music ministry continues to grow and attract people outside our walls. We are living into a vision of a spiritual community flexible enough to respond to the needs of the people while remaining deeply rooted in and committed to our Unitarian Universalist principles and values.

The Bold Relevance Adventurers finished their direct participation in the pilot project but the vision lives on. In April a small group of UUCC leaders participated in the New England District Congregational Relevance webinar thus expanding the conversation. Inspired by the concepts and possibilities, the group made a commitment to bring the materials into an ever widening circle. In May the Board of Trustees and the Leadership Council will watch the video and/or review the materials. If you are interested in being part of this wave slowly lapping our shores you can watch the hour long video of the webinar on YouTube. The URL address is <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=NVs5D20pXe4&feature=youtu.be>

You may be surprised to know the planning for the 2016/17 church year is well under way. UUCC staff and I are working with our respective committees to begin considering worship, music and programming for next year. Our shared vision of inspiring and leading a faith community to show up and be present to the heartache and joy of living in the twenty-first century grounds our work. Hearing the call to be relevant and wise in an ever changing world is easy; responding effectively is a spiritual adventure for the bold and courageous.

May we find our way to be all that while remaining true to loving and living with hearts wide open.

In faith,  
Rev. Carie

Dear UCC committee chairs, members and friends,

Following you will find a copy of the UCC Emergency Evacuation and Fire Safety plan, which includes a process for annual evacuation drills for all three buildings.

This plan was developed by the Safe Congregation Task Force in 2014 and adopted by the Board of Trustees at the June 2014 meeting.

Over the next four weeks we will engage in a process of raising awareness and education regarding the plan. We ask all committee chairs to review this plan with their committees. UCC staff will review this plan with respective committees and groups. RE staff will inform and prepare our children for each of the evacuation drills. During the April staff meeting, a schedule for fire drills for each building will be set. These fire drills will take place during the latter part of May and early part of June. All fire drills will happen on Sunday mornings. Reading the policy will help you to be informed and prepared.

If you have any questions or concerns, do not hesitate to ask me and/or staff. We will do our best to provide answers or seek solutions.

In faith,

Rev. Carie

### **Emergency Evacuation and Fire Safety Plan**

Adopted by Board June 10, 2014 -- Developed by Safe Congregation Task Force April 24, 2014

#### **SAFETY EQUIPMENT**

Fire extinguishers are located at three exits in the church buildings: One in the kitchen and one on each floor of the Judd and Drew Houses.

Judd and Drew House have interconnected smoke alarms on the first and second floor with battery back up.

The fire alarm in the church building is connected to the fire department. Smoke detectors are in multiple places. The kitchen has a heat detector and freezing sensor.

#### **LOGISTICS**

The Church has manual fire alarms that are located at each entrance (Summer St., Winthrop St., and the side entrance of Fellowship Hall).

Drew House and Judd House do not have manual fire alarms. Whistles will be hung in the doorways of each classroom, the primary and secondary entrances and in the kitchens of Judd House and Drew House. The nursery care and chalice children classrooms and will have knotted ropes available in their classrooms to hold on to during drills, and in actual emergencies, to help them stay safely together.

#### **INFORMATION AND PUBLICITY**

UCC Minister, staff, Board of Trustees, leadership council and classroom teachers will receive information on fire safety at the start up of each church year and during orientations and new family registrations. Printed copies will be part of the yearly RE registration. Copies of the plan will be posted in all kitchens and RE classrooms and at the Summer and Winthrop Street entrances of the church building. The evacuation plan will be publicized periodically in the church newsletter and Orders of Service.

#### **ANNUAL FIRE DRILL**

The Minister and Director of Religious Exploration are responsible for conducting a yearly fire drill at each of the three church buildings: Judd House, Drew House and the church.

#### **EVACUATION PROCEDURE for 69 Winthrop**

In the case of a fire, smoke, fire alarm or other announced emergency situations, **pull on of the manual fire alarms located at each church entrance as you evacuate the building**. This alarm informs the security company and fire department automatically and immediately. For fire drills the same evacuation procedure will be used

At the sound of the alarm, all ushers and worship leaders will assist in directing people out of the church building. A knotted rope will be used to guide the children in nursery care.

All people evacuating the church will assemble in parking lot across Summer Street (Yellow House) at 67 Winthrop Street.

The worship associate will proceed to the Judd House and Drew House to inform the director of religious exploration and classroom leaders of the situation.

Do not re-enter the building until an "all clear" is issued by the Fire Department.

IMMEDIATELY inform the Minister, Board President and Building/Grounds Chair of the situation, injuries and necessary follow-up.

### **EVACUATION PROCEDURE for Judd House at 71 Winthrop Street**

In the case of a fire, smoke, fire alarm or other announced emergency situations, blow the whistle, **call 911 immediately**, and evacuate the building. For fire drills the same evacuation procedure will be used.

At the sound of the whistle, all classroom teachers will assist in directing people out of the church building. The knotted rope will be used to safely guide the chalice children.

All people evacuating will assemble in parking lot across Summer Street (yellow house) at 67 Winthrop Street.

One teacher will proceed to the Church and Drew House to inform the Director of Religious Exploration and classroom leaders of the situation.

Do not re-enter the building until an "all clear" is issued by the Fire Department or Minister, Director of Religious Exploration or Church Leader.

IMMEDIATELY inform the Minister, Board President and Building /Grounds Chair of the situation, injuries &necessary follow-up.

### **EVACUATION PROCEDURE for Drew House at 6 Summer Street**

In the case of a fire, smoke, fire alarm or other announced emergency situations, blow the whistle, **call 911 immediately**, and evacuate the building. For fire drills the same evacuation procedure will be used.

At the sound of the whistle, all classroom teachers will assist in directing people out of the building.

All people evacuating the building will assemble in the parking lot across Summer Street (yellow house) at 67 Winthrop St.

One classroom teacher will proceed to the Judd House and the Church to inform the Director of Religious Exploration and classroom leaders of the situation.

Do not re-enter the building until an "all clear" is issued by the Fire Department or Minister, Director of Religious Exploration or Church Leader.

IMMEDIATELY inform the Minister, Board President and Building and Grounds Chair of the situation, injuries and necessary follow-up.

### **USE OF THE FIRE EXTINGUISHERS**

Portable fire extinguishers are available at the main entrance of the Judd and Drew Houses and The Church.

Sound the alarm, evacuate the buildings and **call 911 prior to using a fire extinguisher**.

To use the fire extinguisher:

Pull the pin, Aim the extinguisher nozzle at the base of the fire, Squeeze the handles of the extinguisher together

Sweep from side to side at the base (bottom) of the fire, Use the portable fire extinguisher for small fires that are contained

ONLY **ALWAYS call 911 first.**

## President's Column....

Sometimes when I talk about budget stuff at the church, I feel like the teacher in a Charlie Brown cartoon. A muted trumpet going, "Wa wa wa wa wa wawawa." It feels like it must be tedious.

But it's not. In a very real sense, discussions of budget are about the STUFF of the church. And I get that this may seem secondary to the spirit and the mission of the church, but the two can't be separated. As Shylock says in *The Merchant of Venice*, (paraphrase) "When you take away the prop that supports my house, you take away my house." In this case, the house is our church, our mission, our vision, our reason for being. And the prop for our house – the support – is the work of volunteers, the money of pledges, and every little thing that has to happen in order for Church to happen (like picking up tulips before the New Member Ceremony).

I bring this up now because, of course, it's budget season (I hear it in the voice of Elmer Fudd). The Board is closing in on a budget with the Finance Committee, and we hope to have a completed first draft on April 25. I've said it before and I'll say it again: if you have any concerns you would like to bring to the board about the budget: it is SO MUCH BETTER to bring them now, rather than waiting for annual meeting.

Having said that, DO bring your concerns to annual meeting! This is the time when "ordinary democracy" shines for us, and every one there makes the room a better place. I don't know if you have noticed, but this has been a great year for our church, for a number of reasons. Evidence of this was in the New Member ceremonies (two of them) bringing in more than a dozen new members and two families. Also, hey, have you checked out RE and the youth? SO MUCH ENERGY.

Things are going well. At annual meeting we will do our business and we will celebrate our congregation and the year that was. I'll remind you again in May, but why not put it on your calendar now? First Sunday in June.

Thanks.

Gary Chapin, President,  
Board of Trustees

(P.S. Also, if you have not pledged yet, please do so.

It's never too late, and pledges are an absolutely necessary "prop" holding up the UUCA House.)



# Mindfulness Meditation at UUCC

In case you would like to visit one of our mindfulness meditation gatherings, here is some info:

We gather in the Sanctuary at UUCC on Mondays from 6:30 – 8PM. People arrive a little early to settle in. People also gather on Thursday mornings from 8 - 9:30 in Hollowell at River Studio, 332 Water St. (side door). Our group is called the Peaceful Heart Sangha ("sangha" means community).

We usually sit for 20 - 30 minutes - on chairs or cushions. We are quiet, but if we need to shift our position, we do so. We encourage people to be comfortable, not to stay in a position that doesn't feel good. Sometimes words are offered during the meditation to help us relax our bodies, calm ourselves, and focus our minds. Sometimes we sit in silence.

Then we have walking meditation - often outside and often more slowly than usual. Walking meditation means that as we walk we pay close attention to our walking and our breathing. We try to realize how lucky we are to be able to walk - so many people cannot walk... If people do not feel like walking, they can walk or sit inside.

Then we gather again, introduce ourselves, and move into other parts of the evening - often sharing a reading by passing it around the circle. No one needs to read. After that we have a time for sharing, if people choose to do so. Again, no one needs to share if they don't want to.

I'm happy to meet with people before sangha or at another time to talk about meditation or answer questions. Please let me know if you would like to meet and chat sometime. Or just show up for any sangha gathering, spur of the moment. All is good.

Marty Soule – [martysoule@gmail.com](mailto:martysoule@gmail.com), 685-9270

Note:

**MAY 30 – NO SITTING AT UUCC – WE WILL BE RETURNING FROM RETREAT IN VERMONT AND WILL NOT BE BACK IN TIME.**

**JUNE 6 - NO SITTING AT UUCC – WE WILL BE DRIVING AS A SANGHA TO RAILROAD SQUARE CINEMA IN WATERVILLE TO SEE THE NEVOLA SYMPOSIUM FREE MOVIE ON GRATITUDE. LET US KNOW IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO JOIN US.**



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## REflections....

April was an exciting month for RE. We hosted guests, conducted experiments, went on trips, and participated in community-oriented projects that took us, physically and spiritually, off the corner of Winthrop and Summer Streets.

Following the conclusion of OWL and our early Easter, the RE team decided to break down the traditional Sunday school classroom structure for the remainder of the church year and meet in large, goal-oriented, multigenerational groups to learn together, from each other. Our objective has been the 7th Principle, Earth-centered learning. We have incorporated science and art, craft and compost, mushrooms and worms. Every Sunday our kids have brought early-morning energy and excitement for learning by doing.

As May rolls in, we all feel a type of tremulous sigh as we acknowledge the approaching end to the church year. With the culminating PeaceJam-led service, RE Recognition, and the Flower Communion just around the corner, we reflect on what we could accomplish together before the year officially ends. The curiosity, dedication, and willingness to serve that I see in our children every Sunday has me convinced that we know no limitations.

In Peace,  
Brigid

## April Auction Wrap-up....

### APRIL 8 AUCTION SUCCESSFUL AND FUN!

Many thanks to all who donated, purchased or worked on our wonderful April 8 Auction that brought in over \$4,000 for the church. Many loved Conjuring Carroll Chapman's Magic Show, and the bidding was exciting and fun. Looking forward to the next time!

Please help Hannah to complete the final Auction totals. If you won and paid for Mary Perkins' Hike at a Nature preserve or David Rand's Personal Photograph and Card, please let Hannah know your names and amounts. We are missing the two bid cards that would tell us who won these two Silent Auction items.

If you can answer those questions, or have other questions about the outcomes, please contact Hannah at 293-9377 or [hannahu3@fairpoint.net](mailto:hannahu3@fairpoint.net).

## The Hospitality Votes Are IN!

37 votes for weekly hospitality,  
2 votes for twice a month!  
Change is in the air!

Starting after the annual meeting, each week the hospitality will be hosted by a small group, a church committee, or an assigned individual, family, household or two together. A yearly calendar will be posted in Fellowship Hall which will list the responsible individual, group/household for each Sunday.

If you have a special occasion or celebration you would like to share with the church, feel free to choose that Sunday to be the host/hostess. Each household (or two together) will receive a notice of their assigned Sunday. If you are unable to provide for this contribution, you will be responsible for finding a replacement. The basic needs of hospitality will be in your assignment letter. If you have never done this job, there will be hospitality/coffee mentors to help you and teach you all about the coffee machine and the dish washer.

Two other comments to consider which were shared during this process were that the use of the smaller card tables can generate more conversations with others, and that fruits and veggies can provide non sugar alternatives for those with allergies, or a desire for less sugar intake.

Thank you to all who participated in this thinking, proposing, and voting process to enhance the ministry of community building at UUCC.

See you at coffee hour!  
Martha Naber for the Leadership Council

## Social Activities...

### YOGA

Deb Mattson and Janet Sawyer are graciously offering an easy YOGA class right here at our church. The class will start the 2nd week of May. However, the finer details have not been worked out. Interested?

What day is best for you?

What time of day is better?

During the day or early evening?

Please email or call Deb at (512-4870) [debbiemattson@hotmail.com](mailto:debbiemattson@hotmail.com) and/or Janet at (441-7916) [jhsawyer@gmail.com](mailto:jhsawyer@gmail.com) to let them know what you prefer.

# Guatemalan Dinner!

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*Friday, May 13th, 6:00 pm*  
**at Saint Mark's Church in Augusta**

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Entrees, Bread,  
Salad and  
Beverages!



Hot and  
delicious!

**Tickets:** \$10 per person, \$20 for a family of three or more  
(tickets can be purchased in advance at the church,  
or paid for at the door)

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All proceeds will benefit the Mid-Maine YoUUth's  
trip to Guatemala to support Safe Passage in 2017!

## Goddess/Earth Circles... Earth Circles...

During the April 17<sup>th</sup> gathering, we considered the goddesses Gaia and Terra, as well as Mother Nature. That concept may actually denigrate women, nature and the earth. Notes are available from our considerations.

The Sunday, May 15, 2016\* gathering has been cancelled because of the Blessing of the Animals, the congregational pot luck and one service at 11am at Mill Park.

The next gathering will be Sunday, June 19, 2016, the Summer Solstice Celebration, 11:30 - 1:00 in Fellowship Hall or the yard/picnic area. We will also take some time for planning the Teltane, Lammas, or First Harvest Summer Sunday Service for the congregation on July 31<sup>st</sup>.

Helen Zidowecki

## **Leadership Council Final Meeting May 1, 2016**

### ***To all UUCC committee chairs:***

May 1<sup>st</sup>, following the second service, will be the final Leadership Council meeting for this church year. We will gather in Fellowship Hall to share the work each committee has done and to look ahead. I would suggest you may want to bring a bag lunch. Beverages and dessert will be provided.

### **AGENDA**

Opening and sharing highlights from this year's work  
Discussion of this year's required report for the annual meeting report  
Hospitality ministry plan  
Viewing the webinar on church relevance by UU staff  
Discussion of ideas from webinar

RSVP to Martha Naber at [naber@midmaine.com](mailto:naber@midmaine.com). Thank you, and see you there!

## UU Yard Sale June 5th... Can You Help?

### **UUCC Yard Sale Help Wanted for June 10th Setup and June 11th Sale**

Yard Sale donations wanted beginning Sunday, June 5th. If possible, please hold your generous contributions at your home until then.

Can you help out at the June 11th Inside/Outside Yard Sale this year? Some of you have already volunteered to set up, or sell, or both for the 2016 Spring Sale at the end of this week. A sign-up sheet is on the bulletin board. Please let Terry, Betty or Hannah know what time frames work for you and in what section you'd like to work. We will have a Café, and we will sell from the Fellowship Hall, the Garage and the Yard.

We are selling books, clothing, plants and household items as well as tools, appliances, etc We will have lots of interesting donated items to set up and price on Friday, June 10 between 2 p.m. and 6 p.m. and to sell on Saturday, June 11 between 8:30 a.m. and 1:30 p.m. Clean-up will take place on Saturday afternoon.

Looking forward to hearing from you soon. You can reach Terry & Betty at 445-2942 or [ticnaturalhealth@yahoo.com](mailto:ticnaturalhealth@yahoo.com) and Hannah at 293-9377 or [hannahuu3@fairpoint.net](mailto:hannahuu3@fairpoint.net).

## **SAVE THE DATE**

Animal Blessing and  
Congregational Potluck Picnic  
Sunday, May 15, 2016  
11:00 a.m. -- One Service Only  
Mill Park, Water Street, Augusta

## Would You Like to Lead a Summer Service?

Though it may still be snowing on occasion these days, it is not too early to be thinking about the schedule of lay led summer services. There is a reliable cohort of people in the church who look forward to undertaking a summer service each year, and it can be fun and rewarding to arrange and present a service. There ought to be some room for newcomers. If you've ever considered doing one, we of the Worship Associates Committee would be interested in hearing from you, and glad to help you realize your dream of being a worship leader. You could contact our committee chair:

Kathy Ann Shaw at 620-4082 or [kathyanshaw@roadrunner.com](mailto:kathyanshaw@roadrunner.com)

If you are interested, let us know as soon as possible.



## YoUUth Guatemalan Dinner...

Friday, May 13<sup>th</sup>, 6PM St. Mark's Church  
Suggested Donation \$10/person, \$20/family of three

The Mid-Maine YoUUth, including 6 youth from the Augusta UUCC, are hosting a Guatemalan dinner at 6:00 pm. Suggested donation for the meal is \$10 per person or \$20 per family of three or more. All proceeds from this event will benefit the group's trip to Guatemala in August 2017 to support Safe Passage, an organization that educates and shelters impoverished children in Guatemala City. 18 youth from several UU churches throughout Maine are working together to prepare for this trip and will be hosting the dinner. Everyone is welcome – please join us!

## Bravo, Martha Naber!

Martha Naber is holding the front panel of the lap quilt she made for my mother, Jane. I'd love to tell you the story of how this came to be — so many parts were divinely inspired.

A short while after Martha's mother passed away, I told Martha that my mother had expressed an intent to make a quilt but that she no longer had the ability to sew. Martha has known my parents for a long time, and she offered to finish Mom's quilt. Wow!

I gave Martha the few hand-stitched quilt squares my mother made years ago, and Martha created a design that highlighted Mom's pieces. Little did I know, but Mom's and Martha's pieces were always meant to come together.

My heart is full of appreciation to Martha, for the love and artistry she brought to bear in making this work of art for my mother, in honor of our mothers.

-Becky Harvey

**The Soul Matters Sharing Circle  
overarching  
concept for 2016-2017 will be:**

***“A community of...”***

UU religious community is a precious gift. Within it, we find values and questions that are rarely encountered elsewhere in our lives. Values and questions that push us, ground us and remind us who we most deeply are. So this next year our themes will honor this gift of community and its role as caretaker of values. Together we will ask: What is it we find when we gather? And what is it we are asked to share with the world?

*A community of...*

September: Covenant  
October: Healing  
November: Story  
December: Presence  
January: Prophecy  
February: Identity  
March: Risk  
April: Transformation  
May: Embodiment  
June: Zest



**UUCC Steinway Grand  
Piano News...**

Our Steinway grand piano will be getting some TLC this summer. The UUCC Board has approved for the piano action to be overhauled. This is very exciting news! These much needed repairs will ensure that our lovely Steinway will serve our church and community for years to come.

Piano technician, Gordon Large, will be removing the piano action on June 13<sup>th</sup>. The piano action will be in his shop for two weeks and will be returned by July 1<sup>st</sup>. We will use an electronic piano during these two weeks.

Looking forward  
To being back  
in “action”!



**UU Concert...**

**UUCC Concert May 15, 2016 at 4 p.m.**

The Unitarian Universalist Community Church presents “Music Leads the Way!” highlighting the UUCC Choir and Occasional Orchestra on Sunday, May 15th at 4 p.m. at 69 Winthrop St. in Augusta. Conducted by Bridget Convey, the UUCC Music Director, the choir will be joined by the UUCC Occasional Orchestra led by Dan Gilbert. The program will feature a wide array of music from Eric Whitacre’s “The Seal Lullaby” to Dan Gilbert’s “Video Game Medley #1,” the Overture to “The Mikado,” other world music selections and “The Water is Wide” arranged by Craig Hella Johnson.

There is no admission charge, although a freewill offering will be received as a benefit to the church. A reception follows the concert and all are welcomed to join. For further information, contact the church office at 622-3232.

**SAVE THE DATE**

MUUSAN - Annual Meeting  
Maine Unitarian Universalist  
State Advocacy Network  
Saturday, May 14, 2016  
9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.  
UUCC, Augusta

**Unitarian Universalist Community Church**  
**P. O. Box 8**  
**Augusta, Maine 04332-0008**

## Newsletter Submissions

Please submit all articles as an attachment in a Word document using Arial font size 11. Don't forget to give it a title and sign it, and send it as an email [newsletter@augustauu.org](mailto:newsletter@augustauu.org) with the article as an attachment, please!  
Photos of church activities welcome!  
Deadline: May 16

**Minister:** Rev. Carie Johnsen

**President:** Gary Chapin

**Sunday Morning RE Coordinator:** Brigid Chapin  
**Youth Advisor:** Monique McAuliffe

**Administrator:** Lynn Smith  
[admin@augustauu.org](mailto:admin@augustauu.org)

**UU Office hours:**  
**Monday, Tuesday, Thursday 9am-3pm**  
**Wednesday noon-6pm**

**Choir Director:** Bridget Convey  
Choir Practice Wednesday 6-8pm  
**Small Group Ministry Coordinator:** Luke Curtis  
**Office:** (207) 622-3232

### Rev. Carie's office hours:

Tuesday 1:00 - 5:00pm  
Wednesday 2:00-6:00pm and by appointment  
Friday is Rev. Carie's Sabbath. She does not attend to emails, phone calls or meetings. For Pastoral Emergencies please call her cell phone (508) 221-5295 and she will return your call at soon as possible.

**Social Media links:** Professional Facebook page: <https://www.facebook.com/revcarie.johnsen>  
Please note: Rev. Carie also keeps a personal/private Facebook page. If you have requested to be her friend, please do not feel slighted by her decline or unresponsiveness. Instead, take a minute to friend her at RevCarie Johnsen.

Website: [www.everydayordinarytheologies.com](http://www.everydayordinarytheologies.com)

Rev. Carie's new website was launched in July as part of a sabbatical project. When you get a minute visit the site and subscribe to future posts.