

July at UUCB

There will be no Service on Sunday, July 4

**There is no COFFEE HOUSE IN JULY
Coffee House Café returns in August!**

**The Office will be closed from July 6th until the 27th.
The message machine in the office will be checked
regularly. Do not hesitate to call with an urgent
message.**

**Sue Michaud is the contact for Parish Care Network.
729-4857**

**Stories with Soul will happen in July.
Chalice Circles will take place – best to check with your
facilitator.**

Worship Opportunities in July

Sunday, July 11

Service 9:15

**“Who has the Apple Now: Adam and Eve, or
Snow White’s Step Mother?”**

Nancy Dorian in the pulpit.

Over the last century or so the Bible has lost ground as a universal Western cultural frame of reference. But some elements of folk tradition might be said to be moving into that role in contemporary culture.

Singers: Brad Mitchell, Louise Gephart,
Susan Michaud, and Stephanie Bernier

July 18
9:15 Service

“Roots Hold Me Close” Pat Harris in the pulpit

As we age, we may appreciate more and more the concept of “Rootedness” in our lives: in our relationships, our community and our spirituality. Pat contemplates the meaning, and perhaps the challenges of being held close by those roots.

Larry Lemmel playing piano

Sunday, July 25
Service 9:15

“Hope: The Universal Faith” Curt Neufeld in the pulpit

What is hope? Why do we need it? What is it capable of producing? We'll look at how hope was manifest in our greatest leaders and how it is an essential element in the advancement of liberty and justice.

Vocals by Heidi Neufeld

THE FOOD BASKET - Sunday Donations to the food basket in the foyer of the church are way, way, way down. Please don't forget to regularly put something extra in your cart at the grocery store and bring it in for the basket. Thank you.

**HABITAT FOR HUMANITY 7 Rivers Maine -
We are a Covenant Church Member**

From Michele Ober: Hello Prospective Construction Volunteers!

I'm pleased to announce that we have officially broken ground on our new home build on Caledonia Lane in Bristol!! This morning the Younker family (Stephen, Amy, Daisy, Violet, Owen, and baby-on-the-way), their extended family and friends, and many supporters of Habitat were on site for the ceremonial groundbreaking and blessing. It is always a special event knowing that this is one of the first steps in the building of a new home and their new life as homeowners.

After speaking with Ted Chase, our volunteer site supervisor, I was able to confirm the Blitz weekend when we will raise the four walls and roof the 4 bedroom 1 1/2 bath ranch style home. **Please mark your calendars for Thursday, Friday, and Saturday, July 8, 9, and 10.** On Thursday and Friday, I would like to recruit 15 volunteers for each day. On Saturday, July 10 we do have a church group from the Congregational Church of Boothbay Harbor who is looking to recruit 10 volunteers. I would like to supplement their team with 5-8 more volunteers. Please reply to this email or call me if you'd like to be involved in the wall raising Blitz. After this July 8, 9, 10 weekend, we will plan to be on site **Weds, Fridays, and Sats (8:30am-3:30pm) only**. Sign up today to reserve your volunteer spot!!

For more information (site location etc.) and to sign up:
Contact Michele Ober at 386-5081 or www.habitat7rivers.org

It is very important you sign up through me before arriving on site. We like to ensure a balance between the number of volunteers and the amount of work for the day. My office hours are typically Tuesdays - Fridays, 9am-2:30pm; I stay Tuesdays and Wednesdays to 5pm.

The Excitement is Building!!

July 11th is a Big Day!

8th Annual Brunswick Garden Tour to Benefit Mid Coast Hunger Prevention Program

The 8th Annual Brunswick Garden Tour, featuring nine of Brunswick's outstanding gardens, will take place on Sunday, **July 11th from 10:00 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.** All proceeds from the event will benefit the Mid Coast Hunger Prevention Program.

Tickets for the tour are \$10 in advance and are available at Hannaford in Brunswick, Gulf of Maine Books, Dyer's Greenhouse, Imperial Hosta, and Skillin's Greenhouse. Tickets are \$12 the day of the event and will be available at the Gazebo on the Brunswick Town Mall.

The rain date for the event is July 18th from 10:00 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. FMI: call Ron Carroll at 725-6558.

Playing It Forward

A Concert to Benefit the Music Education of Children in Maine and Around the World

6:00 PM, Sunday, July 11

Orion Performing Arts Center

66 Republic Avenue Topsham

This concert came into being because of Adriana Lombard, a senior at USM, a biology major, and a violinist. Adriana says, "This concert is intended to serve as a starting point for an eventual non-profit musical instrument lending library that will be available to both local and international schools as well as to home schoolers. My goal is to put instruments into the hands of children whose talent would otherwise remain undiscovered; music education programs often fall by the wayside when schools make budget cuts, a fact which greatly saddens me. Music

teachers at churches and schools, as well as independent individuals, will have equal opportunities to apply for use of an instrument for a student, which the student can use (via a contract-based accountability program) until they no longer need it, at which point it will be returned to the library and re-loaned to benefit another child.

“Initially my plan was to put together and play with a tiny chamber music concert made up of a few friends, but this little plan began to grow, seemingly daily, until one day I realized that, only by God's miraculous help, I had somehow pulled together a full symphony that would be playing a concert in a 900 seat auditorium! I still can't believe so many talented musicians from near and far have been willing to donate their time and talents to this cause. It will be an honor to have their assistance in jump-starting my non-profit. I have seen personally how playing music changes children: it develops concentration and creativity and gives them a healthy social outlet; also, I can't help but believe that children exposed to the beauty of classical music will inevitably retain it and develop lovelier characters. I personally don't know what my childhood would have been like if I hadn't grown up playing the violin. When I was about 11, my friends and I started a little ensemble to help support a friend's grandparents' orphanage in Zimbabwe, and ever since then we have found the greatest joy in playing to raise money for causes we care about. A full-sized symphony orchestra will perform favorites from the music of **Bach, Prokofiev, Vivaldi, Handel** and others, with **featured soloists** including my dear friend Michal Harris of Brunswick, a current USM scholarship piano performance major.”

Very sincerely,
Adriana Lombard

P.S. Please invite all your friends! With such gorgeous music, it would be a terrible waste for even one seat to be left empty. If there are any questions, please call me at: 207-239-2389

Tickets at the door: Adults \$15; Children \$7