

# Parish Messenger

Unitarian Universalist Church  
of Brunswick



## July, 2017

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*Our Mission is  
To be a spiritual community  
To welcome all  
To nurture one another  
To work for justice  
And to care for the earth.*

### The Unitarian Universalist Church of Brunswick

Rev. Sylvia Stocker, Minister  
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### SUNDAY SERVICES AT 10AM

**July 2 “Indpendence or We, the People?”** Rev. Sylvia Stocker  
Music by Grace Lewis-McLaren.

**July 9 “Nothing”** Rev. Sylvia Stocker  
Music by Derek Herzer.

**July 16 “Up from the Realms of Barbarism”** Rev. Sylvia Stocker  
Music by Jean, Zachary and Nathaniel Lay.

**July 23 “Songs we Forgot”** Rev. Sylvia Stocker  
Music by Charlie Evans, Sue Loeb and their rock band *Off Their Rockers*.

**July 30 “Music as Healer”** Grace Lewis-McLaren  
The worship service will focus on the use of music in helping us deal with the stresses of life. Music by Derek Herzer.



## RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Our theme for the upcoming year is Unitarian Universalist Identity and History. The RE Committee and I have selected monthly topics and are beginning to put together a schedule of workshops and activities. The following are our monthly topics:

- September- The Flaming Chalice
- October- UU 1<sup>st</sup> Principle: Each person is important; Famous UU: Dorthea Dix
- November- UU 2<sup>nd</sup> Principle: Be kind in all you do; Famous UU: Ysaye Barnwell
- December- UU 3<sup>rd</sup> Principle: We're free to learn together; Famous UU: Fannie Farmer
- January- UU 4<sup>th</sup> Principle: And search for what is true; Famous UU: Theodore Parker
- February- UU 5<sup>th</sup> Principle: All people need a voice; Famous UU: Whitney Young
- March- UU 6<sup>th</sup> Principle: Build a fair and peaceful world; Famous UU: John Haynes Holmes
- April- UU 7<sup>th</sup> Principle: We care for our planet Earth; Famous UU: Pete Seeger
- May- Wonder and Mystery

The RE program is still seeking volunteers to serve as guides and lead workshop activities. An RE "Guide" is

an adult volunteer who is part of a team of people assigned to each age group, leads the opening ritual. After the opening ritual (about 5- 10 minutes) the group will participate in a workshop activity led by a volunteer from the congregation. This does not require prior preparation and is a good fit for people who can commit to volunteering about 8 Sunday during the program year but are too busy during the week to prepare activities. **Workshop leaders** are adults from the congregation who would enjoy sharing their love of painting, cooking, music, writing, drawing, sculpture, sewing, knitting, gardening, poetry, movement/dance, fitness, video, theater/drama, service, building, magic, martial arts, science, nature, origami, quilting, pottery, animals, woodworking... As you can see, there are practically endless possibilities! Workshop leaders prepare and lead a workshop that spans 1-2 Sundays during the program year. If you are interested in leading a workshop I can help you figure out the details and a connection to the monthly topic and the overall theme. Please contact me if you are interested in volunteering.

I hope you all enjoy what the summer has in store for you. I can't wait to catch up with everyone after I return from my Sabbatical on January 7<sup>th</sup>, 2018.

Blessings, *Nicole*

### HOW TO REACH US

**The Unitarian Universalist Church of Brunswick**  
PO Box 129, Brunswick ME 04011

**JULY Office Hours** at 1 Middle Street are  
Tues through Friday from 10-4  
The office administrator is Shirley Bernier.

**The Minister**, Rev. Sylvia Stocker works from home and her church office. Her regular office hours are on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 1-4 pm. She is also available by appointment. To guarantee an appointment, it's always best to call and schedule a meeting. In an emergency, do not hesitate to call her anywhere or any time. (Consult the church directory for her home number.) For routine church business, please call her at the church.

**The Director of Religious Education**, Nicole Boutilier, is available by appointment. You can call her at the church office or email her at [uubrunswickdre@gmail.com](mailto:uubrunswickdre@gmail.com).

Monday is the Sabbath for church staff.

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**Website:** <http://www.uubrunswick.org>

### Important RE Announcements and Dates

**Nicole will be on vacation from July 9-August 5, returning to prepare for fall programming August 5-31, and taking a Sabbatical from September 1-January 6.**

**Youth Info:** In addition to youth group for grades 7-12 which begins in September, we will be offering the Coming of Age (COA) program for youth in grades 9-12 in the upcoming program year. COA will be meeting approximately twice per month, January-early June. Stay tuned for more information!

**Volunteers Needed:** We are still seeking volunteers to be guides for the 4-6<sup>th</sup> grade RE group and workshop leaders for the 1-6<sup>th</sup> graders. Guides do not need to do prior preparation and can expect to volunteer about 8 Sundays during the year, scheduled around the volunteers' availability. Workshop leaders prepare and lead a workshop activity that spans one to two Sundays during the program year. Want more information? Please contact Nicole at [uubrunswickdre@gmail.com](mailto:uubrunswickdre@gmail.com)

**Date TBA:** early September, evening PreK-Grade 6 **RE Volunteer Orientation**

**Date TBA:** **Parent Orientation** following the worship service in late September or early October

**September 10:** Intergenerational Homecoming Service

**September 17:** Start of RE programs

## MINISTER'S MUSINGS

At our June 11 annual meeting, the congregation passed this motion: "That the congregation endorse and support the Black Lives Matter movement and honor UUA's request for UU churches to become visually and audibly involved in the related issues. Our involvement will include studying the issues and displaying a Black Lives Matter banner on the church."

Five days later, St. Paul Police Officer Jeronimo Yanez was acquitted for killing Philando Castille. On June 21, Milwaukee Police Officer Dominique Heaggan-Brown was acquitted for killing Sylville Smith. Both Castille and Smith were black men. Castille was killed at a traffic stop after notifying Officer Yanez that he had a gun. Smith was killed by Officer Heaggan-Brown after throwing the gun he was carrying over a fence. In Castille's case, he was trying to disclose information for his own safety. In Smith's case, he was technically unarmed.

I cannot fully imagine what it is to be a police officer. Here in Brunswick, I have witnessed officers respond with great care and compassion, especially to addicts they find passed out around town (including in the back doorway of our church). Rather than arrest addicts, the police try to connect them with resources so that they can help themselves. I have also been the direct recipient of police compassion, at both the scene of our church fire and the March 2011 break-in to our church.

What must it be like to put your life on the line, especially in America's gun-crazy culture? Every traffic stop, every rally, every encounter, even every visitor to the police station could bring violence. You have to be ready, or else.

At the same time, our entire culture is steeped in white supremacy. Our courts are. Our police are. All of us are, even if we are people of color ourselves. Our culture teaches, whether implicitly or explicitly, that people of color are dangerous. And so a police officer will reach for his or her gun when having the kinds of encounters Officers Yanez and Heaggan-Brown had with their victims.

Here's the thing, though: At the end of the shift, police officers can put down their weaponry. If they aren't marginalized in any obvious way (if they aren't people of color, for instance), they can blend into the rest of society, being no more in danger than I am.

But a person of color can never put down their color. A person of color is at risk all the time, just because of the way they look. Statistics show that over and over again.

I know it was a hard process for our church to decide to pass the motion to endorse the Black Lives Matter movement. We had moments of awkwardness, messiness, and genuine pain. There may be more such moments to come, because the work we have chosen to take up is far from easy.

I also know that exploring issues of racism is a challenge in Maine, because – if we are white – we just don't witness or hear those issues all that often. We may even have very limited relationships with people of color. We have to go out of our way to find accounts that will give us windows into the lives of those at the margins.

Even so (maybe especially so), it's important for us to conduct a deeper study of what some at the May 31 discussion group called "America's original sin." When we gain a better understanding of ourselves and others, everyone benefits. Turning our culture around will require everyone's energy and commitment.

That's why I am so grateful for our congregation's bravery and commitment, our willingness to step out of our comfort zone a little bit so that we can endorse the Black Lives Matter movement and work on related issues. In our little corner of the universe, we do our work to help birth a fairer, more equitable America. That kind of work is holy work. And, holy work is what the church is here to do.

Blessings,  
*Sylvia*



### TIME AWAY DURING THE SUMMER

I will be away from July 25 to September 1. While gone, Steve and I will be taking our annual trip to Indiana to visit our son. We'll also spend a week in the quiet Maine woods in the Baxter State Park region. In addition, I have been accepted as a Better Selves Fellow, which means I have the wonderful opportunity to attend and all-expenses-paid, week-long retreat at Knoll Farm in the heart of the Green Mountains near Waitsfield, Vermont. There, in a community of other leaders of non-profits from various sectors of society, I will be visioning and dreaming about my ministry with you, recharging my batteries, singing and playing my musical instruments, and writing.

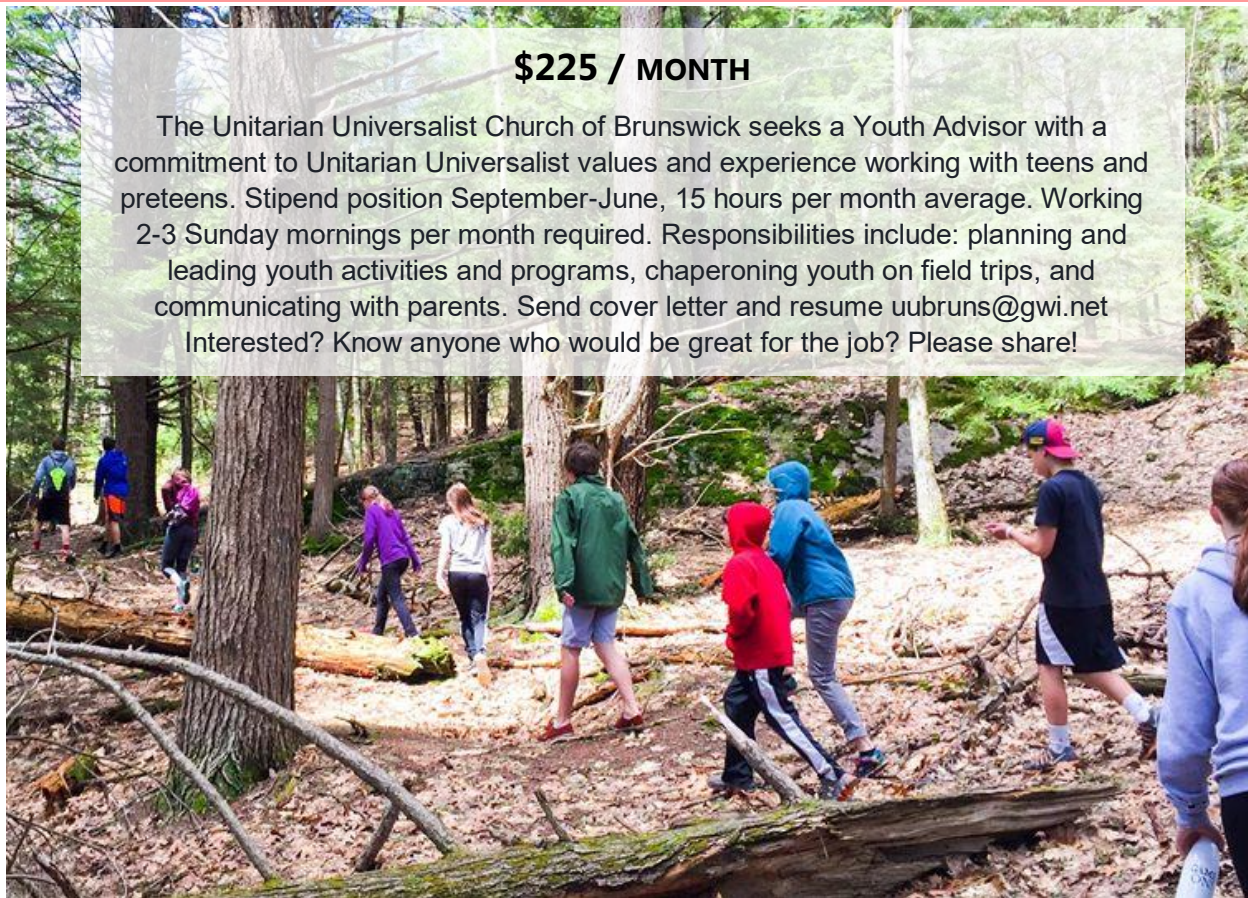
Love, *Sylvia*



## WANTED: PART-TIME YOUTH ADVISOR

**\$225 / MONTH**

The Unitarian Universalist Church of Brunswick seeks a Youth Advisor with a commitment to Unitarian Universalist values and experience working with teens and preteens. Stipend position September-June, 15 hours per month average. Working 2-3 Sunday mornings per month required. Responsibilities include: planning and leading youth activities and programs, chaperoning youth on field trips, and communicating with parents. Send cover letter and resume [uubruns@gwi.net](mailto:uubruns@gwi.net)  
Interested? Know anyone who would be great for the job? Please share!



## SUMMER SCHEDULE AND DEADLINES

### SUMMER OFFICE & GALLERY HOURS

#### JULY

Closed Monday  
Tuesday varied depending on Rev Stocker's schedule  
Wednesday-Friday 10am –4pm

#### AUGUST

Closed Monday  
Tuesday-Thursday 10am-4pm  
Closed Friday

### STAFF VACATION SCHEDULE

**Rev. Sylvia Stocker, Minister**  
July 25 through September 1

**Nicole Boutilier, Religious Education Director**  
July 9 through August 5

**Shirley Bernier, Office Administrator**  
July 3 through July 11

### DEADLINES

#### ORDER OF WORSHIP, GREEN SHEET AND THIS WEEK AT UUCB MATERIALS

for the Sunday, **July 2 and Sunday July 9th Services** must be received in the office no later than **Wednesday, June 28** to give office staff time to complete before starting vacation .  
The other Sundays have their usual deadlines of Thursday at Noon.

### NEWSLETTER

Articles for the August Parish Messenger must be submitted to Sue Michaud ([Michaud\\_susan@comcast.net](mailto:Michaud_susan@comcast.net)) by **July 21 at 5pm.**



## MEMBERSHIP

The Membership Committee had a busy June. On June 4th we hosted a potluck lunch for newcomers--folks who had asked to be put on our mailing list in 2016-2017. We had about 30 people, including a handful of MemCom folks. The newcomers were very grateful for the chance to meet others and ask questions which they now have after a few months of participation at UUCB. We plan to do this quarterly next year.



On Sunday, June 11, we officially welcomed 10 new members to UUCB. Pictured below they are, from left to right: Marden Seavey, Elizaabeth Bates, Pilar Tirado, Stephen Loeb, Susan Loeb, Susan Bremner, Steven Bremner, Joanne Allen, Jonathan Allen, and Eileen Manglass.



Not at the celebration but also joining this spring were Jennifer Hicks and Jack and Sue Kennedy, bringing the number of new members this spring to 13, the number of new members in 2016-2017 to 23, and the total number of UUCB members to 210!

## FOOD AND FELLOWSHIP

### RESERVATIONS FOR EIGHT

Carol Drake and Sue Ellen Damour have organized the next set of “Dinner for 8” groups for July, and invite you to sign up for the dinner that suits your fancy. Signups are on Harvest table after church service.

#### Monday, July 10

<b>Dolphin Marina</b>	6:00 pm
<b>Little Tokyo</b>	5:30 pm

#### Wednesday, July 12

<b>Henry and Marty</b>	5:30 pm
<b>The Frontier</b>	5:30 pm
<b>Salt Pine Social in Bath</b>	5:30 pm



*Salt Pine Social, Bath, ME*

### PLANT-POWERED POTLUCK GROUP

**Saturday, July 15**

The Plant-Powered Potluck group invites you to join them on Saturday, July 15 at 12 noon at the Green Elephant, 608 Congress St. Portland. Each month during the summer, we will gather at a different restaurant to enjoy plant-based foods. We more than welcome anyone who would like to attend. If you are interested, please contact Jessica Tracy by Thursday, July 13. She can be reached at [207-729-7294](tel:207-729-7294) or [jtracy@myfairpoint.net](mailto:jtracy@myfairpoint.net).

### MEN'S LUNCHEON

**Wed, June 28 & July 26**

These monthly fellowship luncheons, which are held on the last Wednesday of each month with the exception of holidays. All men of the church are welcome. For details, contact Brad Mitchell, [bmitch10@gmail.com](mailto:bmitch10@gmail.com), or Jim Michaud at [michaudjim33@gmail.com](mailto:michaudjim33@gmail.com). The June 28th luncheon will be at the **Frontier Cafe**.

## WORKING FOR JUSTICE

### SUCCESSFUL FURNITURE DRIVE!

Many thanks to all who contributed time, energy, goodwill and furniture to the June 17 Furniture Drive organized by the Mid-Coast New Mainers Support Group. The weather behaved, and we have stored 5 large rental trucks of furniture plus multiple pick up truck loads in space donated by Steve Howe of Cumberland Storage at Fort Andross. The furniture will be used to furnish apartments for new Mainers as they settle in our community. Should any of the furniture not be used locally, we will send it to Furniture Friends in Portland to be offered to new Mainers settling in the Portland area.

## WORKING FOR JUSTICE

### JULY CHARITY WITH SOUL



#### About Maine Boys to Men

Since 1998, our programs have helped boys reach their potential to become emotionally healthy, respectful, non-violent men. We work directly with boys, girls, men and women who stand up together as allies in support of gender equality and against gender based violence.

#### Programs & Services:

**Reducing Sexism and Violence Program (RSVP):** This program raises awareness of social pressures connected to sexism, violence, and other harmful behaviors. Our unique set of RSVP curriculums are used to lead intensive workshops with boys in middle schools, all genders together in high schools, and adults in a variety of settings. Participants are trained to safely intervene to prevent potentially harmful situations from becoming violent.

**Community Programming:** We hold events and workshops for parents, educators, and professionals with a focus on the healthy, non-violent development of boys and bringing boys and girls together as allies. Through film screenings, lectures and panel discussions, we open community conversations and invite adults into this work to support the youth in their lives.

**Boot Camp for New Dads:** This program encourages and inspires new fathers to share equally in the caregiving of their children. Men, women, and entire families benefit as gender specific barriers are challenged and generational cycles of negative behaviors are broken.



Visit [www.maineboystomen.org](http://www.maineboystomen.org) to:

- Make a donation
- Sign up for our newsletter
- Follow us on Facebook & Twitter
- Request programming in your community
- Explore volunteer opportunities

For more information, contact Matt Theodores, Executive Director, [matt@maineboystomen.org](mailto:matt@maineboystomen.org)  
Maine Boys to Men, 81 Bridge Street, M201, Yarmouth, ME - 207.774.9994

#### Charities with Soul by Month 2017-2018

Boys to Men	July '17
Doctors without Borders	Aug
ILAP	Sept
Habitat	Oct
Four Directions	Nov
The Gathering Place	Dec
Maine Family Planning	Jan '18
Midcoast Hunger Prevention	Feb
Oasis Free Clinic	March
Natural Resources Council of Maine	April
CHANS Hospice	May
Tedford Housing	June



## WORKING FOR JUSTICE

### ACKNOWLEDGING MAINE'S INDIGENOUS CULTURE

#### DON'T MISS THESE IMPORTANT FILMS!

Mid-Coast Indigenous Awareness Group invites you to a summer film series offering three evenings of films about Maine's Wabanaki Peoples. (See flyer below)

**- FILM - SERIES -** FREE w/ DRINKS AND SNACKS!

# ACKNOWLEDGING MAINE'S INDIGENOUS CULTURE

**A SUMMER FILM SERIES TO DEEPEN AWARENESS**

**WHEN** - 7pm → 9pm **WHERE** - UNITARIAN UNIVERSALIST CHURCH OF BRUNSWICK - ONE MIDDLE ST.

JOIN US IN THIS FILM SERIES HIGHLIGHTING WABANAKI CULTURE WHILE ACKNOWLEDGING THE PAST AND PRESENT STRUGGLES INDIGENOUS PEOPLE CONTINUE TO FACE IN MAINE TO THIS DAY

**TOPICS: - CULTURE -**

**JUNE 28<sup>TH</sup> (WEDNESDAY)**

- ABENAKI CREATION STORY (3 min)
- TED TALK BY gkisedtanamoogk (17 min)
- WABANAKI: A NEW DAWN (26 min)

**TOPICS: - LAND & WATER -**

**JULY 26<sup>TH</sup> (WEDNESDAY)**

- THE PENOBSCOT: ANCESTRAL RIVER, (INTESTED TERRITORY) (94 min)
- THE PASSAMAQUODDY: A PEOPLE REBORN (70 min)

**TOPICS: "EVERYTHING"**

**AUGUST 16<sup>TH</sup> (WEDNESDAY)**

- Mi'kmeg STORIES
- FIRST LIGHT: TRUTH & RECONCILIATION COMMISSION
- WILDERNESS AND SPIRIT, A MOUNTAIN CALLED KATAHDIN (100 min)



## WORKING FOR JUSTICE

*an evening with***Judith Sloan**

actress, radio producer, writer and educator

**NOT TO BE MISSED!!****Off the Record:  
Between a Laugh and a Hard Place**

"Oral History with a twist!"  
**The World,  
Public Radio International**

"A world view that sees  
comedy and tragedy as two  
bones of the same skeleton  
in the closet. Superb!"  
**The Scotsman**

"...boldly carries the tradition of  
oral history into the 21st Century.  
Electrifying!" **Eve Ensler**  
playwright **The Vagina Monologues**

"a whirlwind tour and love  
poem of what has often been  
called the most racially and  
ethnically diverse county in  
America." **The New York Times**

"Sloan's empathy and  
perceptiveness have the  
potential to inspire much-  
needed understanding amid  
inflammatory rhetoric that  
outweighs reason in our  
current political climate."  
**Broadway World**

## STORIES OF MIGRATION, REFUGE, AND FINDING HOME

Actress, writer, comedienne, Judith Sloan combines humor, pathos, and a love of the absurd in an evening of monologues and stories. She investigates the way people remember or misremember and how we collect evidence from eyewitness accounts in a world bombarded by 24-hour news. Along with millions of other Americans Sloan finds herself 'between a laugh and a hard place,' and peppers her character monologues with up to the minute commentary.

Co-sponsored by the Unitarian Universalist Church of Brunswick and Beth Israel Congregation in Bath

**Thursday July 27, 7:30pm****Unitarian Universalist Church of Brunswick Maine**

One Middle Street, Brunswick ME, 04011

Advance Tickets \$16 Tickets at the Door \$20

Advance tickets on line at: <http://july27judithsloan.brownpapertickets.com>  
or call 1-800-838-3006

Proceeds to support the non-profit work of **EarSay** to build bridges across cultures and  
**The Midcoast Welcoming New Mainers Support Group**, an interfaith collaborative  
offering resettlement support to asylum seekers & refugees in the Bath-Brunswick area.

## WORKING FOR JUSTICE

### MUUSAN PRIDE PARADE 2017



Our own Jim Michaud  
leading the way!

### NEXT MEETING

Next MUUSAN meeting is July 8th,  
10:00 to 12:00, Augusta UU church, 69  
Winthrop St. You will receive a friendly  
welcome! Check out the MUUSAN  
web site for more impressive news of

## NATIONAL GUN VIOLENCE AWARENESS DAY

Many members of UUCB joined a walk organized by Moms Demand Action - Maine in recognition of National Gun Violence Awareness Day. The event in Brunswick took place on June 3.





# UUCB CONCERTS FOR A CAUSE

## ANNOUNCING THE 2017-2018 CONCERT SERIES

### Lipbone Redding

Sat, September 9, 2017 @ 7:30 pm



Singer/songwriter, guitarist, voice instrumentalist, and storyteller... there is truly something for everyone at a Lipbone show! (See description on next page)

#### Tickets:

\$15 in advance, \$18 at the door  
Students/Children: \$8

### Bill Staines

Sat, April 7 @ 7:30 pm



Back by popular demand. One of the best-known and beloved singer-songwriters from the American folk music scene, Bill Staines has spent 5 decades on the road singing his songs and entertaining audiences. With his heartfelt songs, warm, smooth baritone, prowess on guitar, charm and gentle humor, he is one of the most popular singers on the folk music circuit today.

Tickets: \$15 in advance, \$18 at the door, Students/Children: \$8

### Under the Song Tree

Sat, October 28, 2017 @ 7:30 pm



The reunion concert of 3 established Maine songwriters (Dan Merrill, Anni Clark, Lynn Deeves). In 2002 NH's Jam Music Magazine readers voted them "Folk Artist of the Year."

#### Tickets:

\$12 in advance,  
\$15 at the door  
Students/Children: \$6

### John Gorka

Sat, June 2, 2018 @ 7:30 pm



John Gorka, a contemporary folk musician from New Jersey, is widely heralded for the sophisticated intelligence and provocative originality of his songs. Rolling Stone called him "the preeminent singer/songwriter of the New Folk movement" while the NY Times said, "Listening to John Gorka, one can get goosebumps all over... fresh lyrics, a stunning emotional baritone, and his twisted humor." John has graced the stage of Austin City Limits and Mountain Stage.

Tickets: \$22 in advance, \$25 at the door, Students/Children: \$10

### Novel Jazz Septet

Sat, January 13, 2018 @ 7:30 pm



The musicians of "Novel Jazz" have been performing straight-ahead jazz around New England for over 3 decades. They draw from the Great American Songbook and specialize in the works of Duke Ellington and Billy Strayhorn.

Tickets: \$15 in advance, \$18 at the door. Students/Children: \$8

### Barbershop Bash

Sat, June 23, 2018 @ 7:30 pm



The **Royal River Chorus**, Yarmouth's award-winning women's barbershop chorus shares the stage with their male counterparts, the **Nor'easters** from Brunswick. Barbershop harmony is one of the few uniquely American-born musical styles. It is sung a cappella in 4-parts and includes popular music from yesterday and today. Ballads, uptunes, gospel, patriotic tunes, and novelty numbers are presented with superb showmanship that will entertain all ages.



Tickets: \$12 in advance, \$15 at the door, \$6 Students/Children

### Heather Masse

Sat, March 31, 2018 @ 7:30 pm



A member of the Billboard-charting folk group, The Wailin' Jennys, a frequent guest on *A Prairie Home Companion*, both as a solo performer and as a member of The Jennys. For this concert, Heather joins forces with jazz pianist Jed Wilson. Heather's background is steeped in the jazz tradition, which informs her distinct approach to singing folk, pop and bluegrass.

Tickets: \$15 in advance, \$18 at the door, Students/Children: \$10

## UUCB CONCERTS FOR A CAUSE

### LIPBONE REDDING SEPTEMBER 9 @ 7:30 PM



Storyteller, songwriter, guitarist and voice-instrumentalist, Lipbone Redding revs up a party with his original songs that effervesce with New Orleans swing, Memphis grooves and New York City style. He puts on an engaging entertaining show for all ages and musical tastes. His unique style is informed by everything from 20s Jazz, Ska, Latin, Indian Classical, 70s Soul, and even Disco.

Lawrence “Lipbone” Redding has spent the last 20 years traveling the world collecting and recounting exotic tales through music and performance art. Despite humble beginnings as a New York City subway singer, Lipbone has released 8 albums and over 20 live recordings and now performs in festivals, theaters and concert halls across America and Europe. He also teaches workshops and collaborates with other musicians, dancers, and performance artists.

A one-man orchestra with no electronic effects, his natural human sounds of throat singing (overtone singing), bass and beat-boxing, and his astonishingly realistic lip-tromboning are a must-experience event—as he weaves his stories with funky rhythms, catchy melodies, brash humor, soulful singing, and inventive guitar playing.

At a typical concert, the listener may experience everything from Himalayan style throat singing, catchy pop

hooks, rapid-fire prose with groove accompaniment or pin-drop moments as a tale unfolds. Lipbone shows an astounding affinity for his audience, at times encouraging them to sing along, make noise and even be a part of the show. And don't plan on sitting for too long. Lipbone has a way of making it impossible to resist the urge to start spontaneously dancing.

Lipbone Redding will put on the funkier, groovier, get-up-and-dancier concert you may have ever seen, and he'll do it with some incredible songs, great stories, and the most incredible one-man brass section anyone has ever heard.

#### REVIEWS

“His music is rich and soulful because it comes from a life of travel and fascinating experiences. Lipbone's songs will lift you and carry you away. He is an engaging storyteller. He had folks tapping, clapping and dancing the night away.” - C. Page, *Listening Room*

“Absolutely the best interaction with the audience by a performer I've seen pretty much anywhere.”

- D. Bober, *Listening Room*

“Maybe the best concert I've ever been to. Lipbone is hilarious as well as talented... uniquely talented.”

- B. Jones from *Listening Room*





# Easy Listening

WITH LARRY LEMMEL

1st and 3rd Thursdays of Every Month

2:00 - 3:30 in the Sanctuary

Internet performances of great classical music.  
No lectures; comments and questions welcome  
Drop in any time; stay as long as you like.

**ADMISSION FREE - PLEASE INVITE FRIENDS**



**NO SIDE DOOR COFFEEHOUSE**

**THIS MONTH**

See you the third Friday in September!

## CLASSIFIED ADS



### GOLF BUDDY

Aging athlete seeks fellow golf codger  
for soaking in sun and swinging satisfaction.  
For fun, score irrelevant.  
Call Barclay @ 729-4088.

### PET SITTING/HOUSE SITTING

Church member Lynn Ellis will look after  
your pets (cats/small dogs) or  
your house for short periods of time.  
Reasonable rates.  
Contact: 479-5208 or [lynnsellis62@gmail.com](mailto:lynnsellis62@gmail.com)



## BOARD REPORT

### FROM OUT-GOING BOARD CHAIR, MARY LARSON



**F**inally, summer has come to Maine! It seemed to take a long time this year. I hope your gardens are growing, flowers starting to bloom, visitors coming, and happy times are ahead for you.

For those of you who were not in attendance at the Annual Meeting, I'd like to give a brief summary of our actions. We were able to pass a budget of approximately \$294,000 which now brings all of our wonderful staff to better than the UUA mid-point. We elected Charlie Evans to a second term on the board as well as Wendy Roundy and Paul Peranteau for their first term. They replace Linda Mallard and

Tom Rumpf, who have now completed their terms. Our new officers for next year are Charlie Evans (Chair), Glenn Williams (Vice Chair), Paul Peranteau (Treasurer) and Mary Larson (Clerk). We also elected Mike Heath for his third term as Moderator, and our Nominating Committee members, Maryli Tiemann, Brad Mitchell, and Sally Horne for another term.

The Working For Justice Committee presented our Charities for Soul designees for the coming year, which were approved. We agreed to sign the UUA recommended Declaration of Conscience as a congregation. We also voted to support the Black Lives Matter national movement, and as the UUA has recommended, study issues of white supremacy in our culture. We will purchase and display a Black Lives Matter banner on our church. The Working for Justice and Membership committees will be completing that task in the near future.

And finally, we accepted a plan for the proceeds from the sale of the Gurnet Road property by placing \$75,000 in a contingency fund for long-range building needs. The remaining \$22,500 will be used for immediate building needs, to be determined by the congregation in the fall. There will be meetings to discuss projects needed, estimates obtained ending with a final vote to be taken by the congregation.

I want to thank you for the privilege of serving as your board chair for the past two years. I was new to UUCB when I was elected, so your trust was important to me. I had been on the board of my PA UU church several times, though, and was very familiar with UUism! The board you have elected is strong, with knowledgeable, hard workers as members. Charlie Evans and I have worked together these past few months, and I have great confidence in him. Our church in Brunswick is amazing to me. It is my dream church, and how I think a UU church should be. I have many hopes for the coming years.

*Mary Larson, Out-going Board Chair*

### CUMBERLAND COUNTY **CodeRED** COMMUNITY NOTIFICATION

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## BOARD REPORT

### FROM INCOMING BOARD CHAIR, CHARLIE EVANS



**A**s I begin my term as the incoming chair of the Board of Trustees, I feel it would be useful for you all to know a little about myself in the hope that it might make you feel more comfortable in approaching me with any interests or concerns that you may have.

My wife Carol and I first attended a Unitarian Universalist Church of Brunswick service in the middle of May 2014. It was one of the first services held in the new church building. Members of each of the church committees had been asked to write a poem and create a banner portraying their committee and after the parade Reverend Stocker did a short interview with each group.

We were instantly inspired. Such commitment, meaning and yes, joy was evident among the congregation. And, in such a glorious space with this wonderful minister directing it all. We felt like “This is home, and we want this in our lives”. We made the leap and moved to Topsham in July of 2014 and became members a few months later.

We lived in New Hampshire for over forty years but had spent many happy vacations and extended weekends exploring Maine. So we had a pretty good sense of the Mid Coast and its charms. We had spent some time in Brunswick and even spent one anniversary weekend here. There were many factors to ponder in considering a place to retire and the spirit we saw at the UUCB helped make that decision easier.

Before I knew it I was singing in the choir, working on the annual pledge fund drive, studying inequality and serving as a member of the Board of Trustees. I have found there are many opportunities for learning and broadening one’s horizons in this lively, spiritual community.

What are some of the things I would like the board to focus on while I am the chair?

1. Having watched and participated in the pledge drive efforts for two of the last three pledge drives I would like to see if the Board can come up with a process that is an ongoing effort over a year’s time. I see this as a permanent committee providing church stewardship. This will involve cooperation between all of our committees to strengthen our faith principles and beliefs and define a clear and engaging sense of mission and vision for the congregation as well as leading, educating and nurturing the building of the church’s reserves, investments, bequests/trusts and the overseeing the ongoing annual budget pledge drive.
2. The Board has already initiated the process of establishing a ministerial committee to provide Sylvia with a group of parishioners to provide her with advice and perspective should she ask for or need them. I would like to see this committee formed by this fall.
3. I would like to see the process for allotting the Gurnet Road funds of \$22,500 for improvements to the building, which were approved at the Annual Meeting, decided upon and the improvements finished by the end of June 2018.

I want to thank Mary Larson for her fine leadership and care over the past two years, especially her willingness to serve as chair for a second year in order to lead the church during Sylvia’s sabbatical. She has performed a remarkable service to our congregation and she has been generous enough to include me in the process of leadership over the past few months.

*Charlie Evans, Board Chair*

# JULY 2017

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
SAN = Sanctuary FEL = Fellowship Hall WBR = Wendall Berry Room MSR = May Sarton Room PEN = All RE Space MBR = Merrymeeting Bay Room		<b>Jun 27</b>  <b>5:30 Concert Committee:</b> MSR <b>6:30 Stories with Soul:</b> WBR <b>6:30 RE Committee:</b> MBR	<b>Jun 28</b>  <b>12 Deadline: for Jun 2 &amp; 9 Services</b> <b>"This Week" email &amp; Order of Worship</b> <b>12 Men's Luncheon:</b> Frontier Cafe <b>3 Writers Group:</b> MSR <b>7-9 Indigenous Peoples Day Film:</b> SAN	<b>Jun 29</b>  Office Closed at 3pm	<b>Jun 30</b>  1-5 Rental- Wedding Prep  Office Closed at 3pm	<b>1</b>  10 AA Rental: MBR  12-5 Rental- Wedding: SAN & KIT  Office Closed
<b>2</b>  <b>10 Church Service</b> <b>11:30 Newcomers Corner</b>	<b>3</b>  Office Closed	<b>4</b>  Office Closed	<b>5</b>  9 Rental-Art Class: PEN 11 Rental-Meditation: WBR 12 Rental: MSR <b>12:30 Chalice Circle:</b> WBR	<b>6</b>  9 Rental-Art Class: PEN <b>2 Easy Listening Music:</b> SAN <b>6:30 RE Sabbatical:</b> MBR	<b>7</b>  <b>Teford Shelter Meal</b>  Office Closed	<b>8</b>  10 AA Rental: MBR
<b>9</b>  <b>10 Church Service</b>	<b>10</b>  8am Rental-French Camp: PEN 10 Holiday Décor: MSR <b>Dinner for 8</b> 5:30 Little Tokyo 6 Dolphin Marina  Office Closed	<b>11</b>  8am Rental-French Camp: PEN <b>10 Chalice Circle:</b> WBR <b>4:30 Finance:</b> MBR 5 Rental Daponte: SAN <b>6:30 Stories with Soul:</b> WBR <b>7:30 Pastoral Care:</b> MBR	<b>12</b>  8am Rental-French Camp: PEN <b>3 Writers Group:</b> MSR <b>5:30 Dinner for 8</b> Henry & Marty Frontier Salt Pine	<b>13</b>  8am Rental-French Camp: PEN <b>12 Wabanaki REACH:</b> MSR <b>12 Noon Deadline:</b> "This Week" email & Order of Worship <b>2 Easy Listening Music:</b> SAN	<b>14</b>  8am Rental-French Camp: PEN <b>4 Art Walk:</b> SAN, FEL, MSR 4:15 Wedding Rehearsal: SAN	<b>15</b>  10 AA Rental: MBR <b>12 Plant Powered Lunch:</b> Green Elephant 1pm Rental-Wedding: SAN  Office Closed
<b>16</b>  <b>10 Church Service</b> <b>12 Chalice Circle:</b> WBR  Office Closed	<b>17</b>  Office Closed	<b>18</b>  2 Savvy Caretakers: WBR <b>6:30 Board:</b> MSR <b>7 Snow Bird Chalice Circle:</b> WBR	<b>19</b>  9 Rental-Art Class: PEN 11 Rental-Meditation: WBR <b>3 Poetry with Barclay &amp; Maryli:</b> MSR <b>6 Chalice Circle:</b> WBR	<b>20</b>  9 Rental-Art Class: PEN <b>12 Noon Deadline:</b> "This Week" email & Order of Worship <b>2 Easy Listening Music:</b> SAN	<b>21</b>  <b>5 Parish Messenger Deadline</b>	<b>22</b>  10 AA Rental: MBR  Office Closed
<b>23</b>  <b>10 Church Service</b>  Office Closed	<b>24</b>  Office Closed	<b>25</b>  <b>6:30 Stories with Soul:</b> WBR  <b>6:30 Concert Committee:</b> MSR	<b>26</b>  9 Rental-Art Class: PEN <b>12 Men's Luncheon:</b> TBA <b>3 Writers Group:</b> MSR <b>7 Indigenous Peoples Day Film:</b> SAN	<b>27</b>  9 Rental-Art Class: PEN 9:30 Memoir Writing: WBR 10:30 Building & Grounds: MSR <b>7 Evening with Judith Sloan:</b> SAN	<b>28</b>  Office Closed	<b>29</b>  10 AA Rental: MBR  Office Closed
<b>30</b>  <b>10 Church Service</b>  Office Closed	<b>31</b>  Office Closed	<b>ANNOUNCEMENT SUBMISSIONS/DEADLINES</b>  If you have items to be placed in the "This Week" email, Announcement Insert (The green sheet) or the Order of Worship, please see page 4 to see when the deadlines are during the summer season.  If you want an announcement or article to appear in the monthly Parish Messenger, send it to the newsletter editor, Sue Michaud (michaud.susan@comcast.net) on or before the <b>3rd Friday of each month (usually)</b> . The deadline for the August Parish Messenger is <b>Friday, July 21st</b> .				