



Parish Messenger

Unitarian Universalist Church of Brunswick

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Christmas Eve candlelight service

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*

Unitarian Universalist Church of Brunswick

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Sunday Worship Services at 10:00

- Feb. 2 A Flicker of Shared Experience** Rev. Rachel Allen Baker
 Music by Kat Logan.
- Feb. 9 Grout** Rev. Sylvia Stocker
 There’s more to it than you might think. Music by the DaPonte String Quartet and Derek Herzer.
- Feb. 16 Agape** Rev. Sylvia Stocker
 Music by the choir, conducted by Heidi Neufeld and accompanied by Derek Herzer.
- Feb. 23 Hope—Longfellow Days Service** Rev. Sylvia Stocker
 In our annual Longfellow Days worship service, we will feature poems of hope to augment Rev. Stocker's reflections. Rev. Stocker will be joined by Maryli Tiemann and others. If you have a poem about hope that you would like to share at the service, please let Rev. Stocker know (see notice on page 4). Music by Derek Herzer. .

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FROM THE BOARD CHAIR

Important Date Change

The Annual Meeting of the UUCB Congregation would normally be held on June 14 this year, but the Board has changed the date to **June 7, 2020** after the church service.

This is a one-time change due to the fact that Sylvia's last day will be June 14, and we wish to have that as our focus. So, mark your calendars for both dates!

General Assembly

We still have one spot open to provide financial support for a member to attend GA June 24th to 28th at the Rhode Island Convention Center. Let me know if you would like to take advantage of this opportunity.

Pledge Drive

Our new Pledge Drive Team is in place and ready to begin. Carol Gillespie is joining returning members Jonathan Allen, Cuffy Chase, Mary Larson, Cindy Parker, Paul Peranteau, and Janice Thompson. Thanks to all for stepping up. Let's make this year the most successful pledge drive ever!

Cancellation Woes

We were all very sorry to have to cancel the service on January 19. It was going to be great. In the process we uncovered some communication failures. Those of you who rely on Channel 13 were ill-informed. I called the station during regular business hours to ask why our announcement was not broadcast on the TV list at the bottom of the screen. The explanation was that they had us (and many other churches) tagged to go to their website only. They have now corrected that. We also know that for some mysterious reason, "all-church" emails fail to reach some members. We are looking into establishing the ability to have a special announcement on the UUCB website so that there will be one sure place to check if there is a question about cancellation. All of this will be taken up at the next meeting of the Modernizing Communications Task Force.

Security and Safety Update

Last month I reported on three measures we plan to take in order to enhance security and safety at UUCB. Here's an update on progress:

1. The black emergency window shades will be installed in February.
2. Safety and Security Window Film on selected windows and doors was installed on 2/24/2020. The film is very clear, but the installer let us know that for the first few weeks we may see some cloudy sections while the sealant dries and cures completely. He also indicated that the windows should not be washed for the first month.
3. Initial consultations have begun on the process of installing an emergency exit door on the northwest side of the sanctuary. We do not yet have a target date for installation.



Northern New England District
of the Unitarian Universalist Association

NNED Spring Meeting

The 2020 Spring Assembly and Annual Meeting will be **April 24 and 25** at the UU Church in Nashua, NH. Here are a few details provided by the organizers:

- Registration will be \$15 for both Friday evening and all day Saturday. This will include lunch on Saturday. Watch for registration to open sometime in January.
- We'll have a number of opportunities to discuss the recommendation to dissolve the district before voting on it on Saturday afternoon.
- Worship will be led by the NNED Board, with music led by UU musician Matt Meyer.
- Saturday programming will include workshops led by our New England Region Staff.
- On Friday evening we'll have a fun UU Trivia event for any who'd like to participate!

— Glenn Williams

MINISTER'S MUSINGS



Yes, I was young once. Here is one of my favorite pictures from those earlier, halcyon times.

I am not much of a world traveler, but in 1986 when Comet Halley orbited close to earth, I traveled to Australia where the comet promised to be most visible. That

trip offered plenty of night sky viewing in the deepest, darkest desert at Uluru. But we visited other places, too. One of my favorites was the Lone Pine Koala Sanctuary near Brisbane. At Lone Pine you could actually hold a koala in your arms, a peak experience for me. Can't you just tell by the smile on my face? At Lone Pine, I got to feed kangaroos, too – heavenly!

During that trip, I also saw galahs in the Australian interior. A kind of cockatoo, galahs are gray birds that somewhat resemble pigeons when they are on the ground. But when they take to flight, they expose bellies of bright pink feathers. They travel in flocks and they all rise skywards together. Dozens of unremarkable gray birds transforming themselves to a soaring spectacle of bright pink is an awe-inspiring sight.

The Australian bush landscape looked as though it had been painted by someone who got the numbers wrong in a paint-by-numbers set. The land was red, and the leaves on the trees were silver. Only the blue sky provided a familiar, orienting color. I loved having my world transformed in that way.

Drought is commonplace in Australia. But in this year of extreme, unprecedented droughts and rising temperatures have sent wildfires sweeping across Australia. Those horrific, devastating fires fill me with dread – you, too, perhaps. I cannot help but remember that little koala in my arms, or the soft lips of the kangaroos as they nibbled food from my hands, or the galahs' outrageous flash of bright pink overhead in the blue, blue sky. The colors of the land are all changed now – blackened by ash and soot. And I am filled with sorrow.

Nature is strong. Already I have seen reports of new life emerging from the soot-blackened Australian soil. But everything has limits – even our beloved planet, even Gaia. As I see things, greed is at the heart of most denials of climate change. Greed, pure and simple. This person or group lining that person's or group's pockets for short-sighted monetary gain.

How do we help our world shift to a longer view? For me, that shift means to monitor and name greed when I see it – my own or others. Most of all, it means to keep the greater good in the forefront of my thinking and actions. Not just my greater good, not even just humanity's greater good, but the whole earth's greater good. I know that can hard to discern at times, but if I do my best, and you do your best, that's a start and an example for others to follow.

*Love,
Sylvia*

P.S. The Lone Pine Koala Sanctuary is safe from the fires, according to their website. Their website lists some organizations where one can contribute to veterinary care for animals injured by the fires. Lone Pine Koala Sanctuary website: koala.net/

In addition, I was delighted to discover the Lone Pine website has a webcam that shows the koalas going about their sleepy days. I find it calming to watch occasionally. I often check in the early morning, as night falls there, and then at suppertime, when it is morning there. (There is a 15-hour time difference between Brunswick and Brisbane.) Seeing those little animals chewing their eucalyptus leaves on the other side of the earth reminds me of some of the lyrics from “Cradle of Dawn,” one of my favorite Libby Roderick songs:

*Go to sleep, welcome the night
I will be here in the morning light
Slip into dreams, you've done all that you can
I'll hold you here in the dawn.
Sunset in your country, sunrise in mine
Lay down your body, feel mine begin to rise
Sunset in my country, sunrise in yours
I feel you there in the dawn.*

IMPORTANT UUCB INFORMATION

Email “Phishing” Annoyances!

In recent weeks, at least three different bogus emails circulated among some in the congregation. In those emails, someone fraudulently claimed to be me and asked for people to purchase iTunes gift cards for a cancer patient.



Email is a wonderful convenience, but those episodes expose a definite downside: People with nefarious intent take advantage of electronic media to con people out of money. Similar emails have been plaguing churches all over the country recently, preying on the relationships of trust between clergy and their congregations, not to mention the good intentions many churchgoers have when it comes to helping people in need.

Here's what I have done: I have reported the incidents to the Federal Trade Commission. In addition, each time I heard of a bogus email, I sent an all church email to alert people to the danger. I also mentioned the incidents in a recent sermon. And, of course, I checked to be sure the virus software on my computer was up-to-date (it was).

First, please know I would never ask for funds in such a manner. Yes, in very rare circumstances, we raise money to help people, but we publish articles in the newsletter, in This Week, and from the pulpit to explain why we are do-

ing so. The fraudulent emails all first asked for people to contact me (via a fake email address). Those who responded, got a subsequent fraudulent email asking for iTunes gift cards for an unspecified cancer patient who was about to have surgery. I would never make such a vague request. Period. I will never ask for your credit card number or any other financial records.

Second, if you receive such an email, pay attention to the verbiage. Does it sound like me? If you are suspicious in the least, please telephone me to find out if the email was legitimate.

Third, always check the address of the sender. The fraudulent emails all used email addresses that were faked in a way to look as though they came from me. But, if you studied them closely, you could see differences. These are the only email addresses I use for church business: revstocker@gwi.net and revsylv@gmail.com If you get an email from any other address claiming to be from me, please ignore it! Ignore it even if my photo is included. (One of the emails had copied my photo from our website and included it.)

It goes without saying that you would be well-served to keep your virus protection software on your computers up-to-date and that you change your various passwords from time to time. Please be careful! Don't hesitate to contact me if you receive an email that doesn't seem quite right.

— Sylvia Stocker

RE UPDATES

Toben's Sundays

First Parish and UUCB's ministers, Religious Exploration Committee Chairs, and I recently had a check in to access how our Shared Ministry is going. One of the things that came up was that some families are only able to attend on Sundays when I am not there so we haven't had many opportunities to connect. We decided to try switching up my schedule for February and March to see if it helps at all. Beginning on February 2nd I will be serving back to back Sundays at each congregation as often as possible. My UUCB Sundays are as follows: 2/9, 2/16, 3/1, 3/22, 3/29

I will continue to have UUCB Office Hours each week on

Tuesdays and Thursdays (9:00-5:00). Thank you for your flexibility and ongoing support!

February's Religious Exploration Theme

This month we're exploring the many ways our UU faith invites us to become “a people of Resilience.” Our lessons this month are each built around four key things we “hold on to” in order to make it through hard times: our grit, each other, our humor, and the Earth. To honor Black History Month we will also be lifting up the voices of black Unitarian Universalists.

— Toben Cooney-Callnan

CONGREGATIONAL HEART BEAT

Joys, Sorrows and Concerns

Most of the following joys, sorrows, and concerns were recorded in our Joys and Sorrows book during the last few Sundays. Some have been emailed directly to me, and I share them with you here. – Sylvia

Joys:

Martha Lentz's granddaughter, Isabella, recently celebrated her 23rd birthday.

Sharon Brown thanked all who contributed to the Santa Project. We raised over \$1200 to be split between the two sponsored families. That was a huge boost to them. Thank you!

An unsigned prayer in the Joys and Sorrows book: Let me shower my family with love, warmth, appreciation, and kindness no matter what happens for we will be together! Merry Christmas and joyous holidays to all no matter what happens.

Faith Woodman and Hugh Maynard proudly announce the birth of their second grandchild, a boy named Emil Russell Meng. Grammy headed out to Santa Barbara to help daughter, son-in-law, and granddaughter, while Popsie stayed in Bath tending the dog.

The Schinofen-Pett family extend their warmest appreciation for the community support during Kristen's hospital stay. She is now home and heartened by a favorable prognosis.

Sorrows and Concerns:

We were so saddened by Connie Wurtz's death on December 31. He died while the snow fell outside. As it turns out, he was born during a snowstorm, too. Connie was a pillar of our church – always here, always to be counted on. He was particularly involved in justice and earth care initiatives. If we had a vigil, Connie showed up with his sign. If we marched in the pride parade, Connie helped carry the banner. These last few years were difficult for Connie as his health has gradually failed him. But still, he kept on keeping on – showing up for church, attending Stories with Soul, participating in workshops, and more. He was such an inspiration; it's hard to imagine our community without him. UUCB held a memorial service for him on January 5, with Rev. Lucy Ijams officiating during Sylvia's break. The family writes: "We are all deeply appre-

ciative for all the organization of the church for the service, for all the delicious food and warm love. Thank you, Lucy, for sharing in our storytelling of our beloved Connie and for organizing this beautiful service."

We were also saddened to learn of former member Louise Hudson's death. Louise moved to be near her son in Ohio a couple of years ago. Until then, she was here regularly, beaming her amazing smile at us and sharing her thoughts. Telling us her stories was made all the more wonderful by her southern accent. Louise loved to write and reflect, to garden and to observe, to learn and to paint, and more. A memorial service was held in Ohio on December 28. Another memorial will be planned during the spring or summer in Maine. Her family sends this request: "Our family would treasure any reminiscence which you might send – perhaps a favorite moment you shared with Louise or a sense of who she was to you. Please write us at hudsonfamily224@gmail.com."

We have also learned of the death of a former UUCB friend, Ruth Belchetz, who died at home under hospice care. Those of you who remember her are invited to send a card to her husband of 40 years: Peter Dessereau 80 Point Road, Brunswick ME 04011.

Carol McCoy writes: "Great Spirit of all, please infuse all families with love and kind communication. The holidays and life are hard. We need each other."

Pat Moore remembered the victims of the fires in Australia, where many animals have lost their habitat, and may have died.

Karl Fattig is home after a recent hospitalization and would love to receive cards from folks.

Long-time member Albert Moore is a Maine Medical Center after falling and breaking his neck and back. As I write, he has already had surgery for the neck injury, and he awaits surgery for the back injury. He has a long recovery ahead of him, with an eventual goal of getting home to Woolwich.

UUCB HAPPENINGS

Reflections on Woodstock, Rescheduled to Feb. 16

Where were you in 1969?

What are your memories of the era?

How does memory remake itself, and merge with myth?

What are the implications of that event that happened over 50 years ago, and where are we now as a culture and a nation?

Join the discussion **Sunday, Feb. 16, at 11:30am** in the Sanctuary (this is rescheduled from the original snowy January date. Led by Bill Rixon.

Sponsored by the Adult Education Committee.

UUCB Library Update

We have a new CD of a radio program called Talking With White Kids About Race and Racism. We also have Mary Pipher's book: *The Middle of Everywhere: The World's Refugees Come to our Town* and *The Hundred Story Home: A Journey of Homelessness, Hope, and Healing* by Kathy Izard. Be sure to check them out.



Help Us Find Missing Copies: *Waking Up White*

We had multiple copies of this book by Debbie Irving in our Black Lives Matter section of the library. Only one copy has made it back to our shelves. If you have one of these books please return it. Thank You!

— Lynn Ellis

Men's Luncheon

The next luncheon for men of the church will be held on **Wednesday, February 26** at noon at the Frontier in Fort An-dross. For more information contact Jim Michaud, michaudjim33@gmail.com.

Soup Is On!

Save the Date - SoUUps On - February 23, 2020

Mark your calendar for our annual SoUUps On Luncheon after church on **Sunday, February 23rd**.

Directly following the service, we will quickly set up tables in the sanctuary, and delicious soups, bread, fruit and desserts will be served. While the sanctuary is being transformed to a dining area, coffee will be available in the RE wing.

We look forward to having a variety of delicious soups to serve. Starting Sunday, February 2nd, sign up sheets will be at the Visitor's Table so that you can bring your special soup for the luncheon. You will also receive a postcard inviting you to bring cookies or bars to share. Watch for your invitation in the mail and please join us!

— Betsy Roper

UUCB Art Exhibit: Jeremiah Ray — “Take this. Be with this. Hold this “

Jeremiah works in a variety of mediums. His work explores notions of communication and our seemingly endless struggle to share and express our innermost fears and desires. Jeremiah's paintings shift drastically between subdued and meditative pieces that invite the viewer to rest within the stillness, to works of such brazen intensity the viewer is all but pushed away. Both styles, however, beg the viewer to bear witness, to pause and seek not only a dialogue with the artist but with themselves, too.

The works will be on display in the gallery Feb. 6 though March 4.



LONGFELLOW DAYS AT UUCB

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Events at UUCB

On the cusp of Maine's Bicentennial, we're looking back 100 years instead. This lets us pause in tribute to two Maine-born artists active in the 1920s: filmmaker John Ford and poet Edna St. Vincent Millay. We'll also recall Bowdoin College's 1925 literary tribute to 1825 graduates, including Henry Wadsworth Longfellow.

Sunday, February 23, 10:00 AM • LITERARY CHAPEL SERVICE

"Hope" is the focus of this year's ecumenical service, led by Rev. Sylvia Stocker. Visit the Bible that Longfellow signed and donated to his church in 1878. *Unitarian Universalist Church, 1 Middle Street*

Tuesday, February 25, 6:30 PM • TWELVE DAYS IN MAY OF 1925

John Cross, secretary of development and college relations at Bowdoin College, discusses a momentous literary gathering held as Bowdoin celebrated the 100th anniversary of the graduation of the Class of 1825, which included Longfellow and Hawthorne. Among those invited to speak at a two-week Institute of Modern Literature were Robert Frost, Willa Cather, John Dos Passos, Carl Sandburg and Edna St. Vincent Millay. In partnership with the Pejepscot History Center.

Unitarian Universalist Church, 1 Middle Street

Friday, February 28, 7:00 PM • HAPPY 213th!

One day after his 213th birthday, there are even more reasons to celebrate. Please come listen to other Maine poets and read your own writing as a way of honoring HWL. Join in this fun and festive, everyone's-welcome poetry open mic – and enjoy some birthday cake. *Unitarian Universalist Church, 1 Middle Street*

Longfellow Days is an annual program of the Brunswick Downtown Association, with support from Bowdoin College, The Brunswick Inn, Nathaniel Davis Fund, Eveningstar Cinema, Maine Humanities Council, Alfred M. Senter Fund, and Union Street Bakery. All programs are free of charge.

Calling All Poets!

On February 23, we will hold our annual Longfellow Days service. This year we will feature poems about hope. And, sure, there are lots of poems about hope out there. Hope is the thing with feathers, after all.

But... I would love to have some of our own poets share, too. If you have written a poem about hope and would like to share it, please contact me, and I will do my best to fit it into the service.

– Sylvia

WORKING FOR JUSTICE

Affordable Housing needed in Brunswick

As part of a larger effort to meet the need for affordable housing in Brunswick, four local faith communities will be hosting a series of monthly free community meals. Those who attend will be encouraged to share ideas and concerns about housing in Brunswick. For more information about the meals see the flyer in the green sheet on Sunday and This Week email.

If you are able to help with the meal hosted by UUCB on Sunday, March 1, see Cathey Cyrus or Rob Stuart.



UUCB to Host Free Community Meal on March 1

On the first Sundays from February through May, the Brunswick Downtown Faith Community is holding community meals at the various churches. Billed as "A PLACE TO LIVE, WE ALL NEED IT: Come talk with your neighbors, share food and stories about building a compassionate community with housing for all." Meals begin at 12:30.

The February 2 meal is hosted by St. John's at their new community center on Pleasant St. UUCB will be the site of the March 1 meal after our church service.

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ACTION
 FOR GUN SENSE IN AMERICA

Midcoast Membership Meeting

Saturday, February 8, 10 am
Curtis Memorial Library
Upstairs Conference Room

Immigrant Justice

Mid Coast New Mainers Group (MCNMG)

Holiday baskets filled with African food ingredients, children's books and toys and other gifts were delivered to the seven asylum seeker families in Bath known to MCNMG. Thank you to all who so generously contributed.

The Bath African women's group (no name yet!) which meets weekly for lunch and conversation will reach out to the newly settled asylum-seeker women at Brunswick Landing by inviting them to a meeting at the Landing Welcome Center on Monday, Jan. 27. The Bath group hopes to include the Brunswick women at biweekly meetings going forward.

A new asylum seeker family of eight arrived at the Landing on Jan. 17, from Portland and has been settled into the large house on Captains Way. The family includes children from toddler to age 18. MCNMG and TEAN have overseen the first stage of getting the family's basic needs met. The family will eventually be assigned a family support team.

There is still a real need for people who would like to be members of family support teams, drivers for routine transportation needs and English language tutors. For more information, see Cathey Cyrus.

Indigenous Awareness

As previously reported, the Wabanaki-REACH workshop Exploring Wabanaki/Maine History will take place at UUCB on **Saturday, Feb. 1** from 10-12:30. The workshop is free but registration is required. See the flyer posted at UUCB or Cathey Cyrus for more information about registration.

Midcoast Indigenous Awareness Group (MIAG) continues to partner with Curtis Memorial Library to present programming to raise community awareness of indigenous presence and issues. Go to miag-group.org for an extensive calendar of local and regional events to raise Indigenous awareness.

WORKING FOR JUSTICE

Maine Unitarian Universalist State Advocacy Network



MUUSAN is a statewide advocacy and public policy network anchored in our Unitarian Universalist faith and animated by its principles. At its meeting in January, fifteen UU congregations represented by thirty-nine people were present, including Lynn Ellis and Renee Manomaitis of UUCB.

MUUSAN has four issue groups – HealthCare; Racial, Native & Immigrant Justice; Democracy in Action; and Climate Change. Immigrant justice groups are focusing on LD 647, a bill to Attract, Educate and Retain New State Residents to Strengthen the Workforce (Committee on Innovation, Development and Business – IDEA) and an initiative to update the Immigrant Justice Resource List.

MUUSAN continues to collectively support Get Out the Vote 2020 and The Poor People’s Campaign. A proposal is being filed to request funds from the dissolution of the Northern New England District to support state advocacy groups, such as MUUSAN. Acceptance of this proposal will open a path for the ongoing, essential work of this legislative ministry.

Teen Center

Thanks to UUCB and other organizations in the community, about 30 teens celebrated at a Christmas party with good food, gifts and a Yankee Swap. Those who couldn’t attend the party received gift bags later.

Attendance at the Teen Center continues to grow, from about 2012 visits in 2017 to 3,527 visits in 2019. The Center raised \$13, 547 in 2019, exceeding its goal of \$13,000 before the end of the year.

The Teen Center is the UUCB February Charity with Soul, see page 10



Films for Justice

The film "Black KKKlansman" (www.imdb.com/title/tt7349662/) will be screened on **Sunday, February 9** at 11:30 AM at the UUCB sanctuary.

Ron Stallworth, an African American police officer from Colorado Springs, CO, successfully manages to infiltrate the local Ku Klux Klan branch with the help of a Jewish surrogate who eventually becomes its leader. This film is based on actual events.

UUCB Asylum Seeker Group (ASG)

An overview of ASG’s activities and the current status of local asylum seeker families will be presented by ASG steering group members following the worship service on **Sunday, March 8.**

BRUNSWICK TEEN CENTER — CHARITY WITH SOUL



The Teen Center's Program Goal: "To provide a safe environment for young people to socialize, explore creative outlets, share their talents and gain exposure to diverse people and ideas, thus creating a well-rounded generation of youth in grades 6-12, regardless of race, religion, gender identification, social/income status or mental health diagnosis."

This past year we have seen more teen visits than ever to the Brunswick Area Teen Center. We had 3,257 visits and continue to have new members joining regularly.

We provided over 3,500 meals, 7,000 snacks and close to 10,000 drinks last year. The program and food are free of

charge to area youth who need it most. The majority of our members are from low income households and have a "difference" (race, gender identification, learning disability, mental health diagnosis) or have less than ideal family/living circumstances and very much appreciate (and need) having safe place to be when they are not at school.

We receive no state or federal funding. Grants, along with the support of the Town of Brunswick, the United Way of Mid Coast Maine, and other foundations as well as that of area churches and dedicated volunteers, continue to help us serve and feed a growing number of our area's youth. We thank UUCB for support as the February Charity with Soul.

SIDE DOOR COFFEEHOUSE



John Cross

John is a local Maine song writer from Brunswick, Maine. He is a smooth baritone singer with a story to tell. His music spans many genres. To know John Cross, all you have to do is listen to his songs. He's an open book and freely shares his life with you. Just sit back and enjoy.

THIRD FRIDAY OF THE MONTH
UNITARIAN UNIVERSALIST CHURCH
1 MIDDLE STREET, BRUNSWICK
OPEN MIKE SIGNUP - 6:45 PM
OPEN MIKE START - 7:00 PM
FEATURED PERFORMER - 8:30 PM
SUGGESTED DONATION: \$8



Friday Evening, February 21

Feature set preceded by the Open Mike

The Side Door Coffeehouse has been a fundraiser for the Unitarian Universalist Church of Brunswick since 1993. It is entirely volunteer run.

CONCERTS FOR A CAUSE



TRICKY BRITCHES

On January 11, Concerts for a Cause held another successful concert at the church. Tricky Britches are very talented musicians, and the crowd enjoyed them immensely.

Thanks go out to the concert committee, Caroline Evans in the kitchen, and to all the wonderful people who donated refreshments!

HEATHER MASSE AND JED WILSON

Saturday, March 14 @ 7:30 pm

Back by popular demand, Heather Masse and Jed Wilson return to the UUCB Concerts for a Cause series with the hopes of raising even more money for charity.

Maine native Heather Masse is well-known to audiences as a regular guest on the Public Radio's "A Prairie Home Companion," both as a solo performer and as a member of the Billboard-charting folk trio, The Wailin' Jennys.

For this concert, Heather joins forces with jazz pianist Jed Wilson. Heather and Jed met as jazz students at the New England Conservatory of Music and have been performing together for more than 10 years.

Heather's background is steeped in the jazz tradition, which informs her distinct approach to singing folk, pop and bluegrass.

TICKETS are \$15 in advance, \$18 at the door, \$10 Students/Children.

Available Feb 1 at the church office, Gulf of Maine Books, or online at <https://masse.brownpapertickets.com/>



Heather and Jed performing at UUCB in March of 2018 to a full house.

UUCB — FEBRUARY 2020

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
						1 9:30 AA 10 Wabanaki REACH workshop: "Exploring Wabanaki/Maine History"
2 10 Church Service 10:15 RE Classes 11:30 Visitors & Newcomers Chat 11:30 Modernizing Communication TF	3 Office Closed Rev. Stocker's Sabbatical Week Ends	4 9:30 Mah Jongg 2 Membership Com 4 UUCB Asylum Seekers 7 Worship Com	5	6 7 Choir	7 Tedford Shelter Meal	8 9:30 AA
9 10 Church Service 10:15 RE Classes 11:30 WFJ Film "Black KKKlansman"	10 Office Closed	11 9:30 Mah Jongg 2 Finance Com 6:30 Stories with Soul 7 Pastoral Care Com 7 RE Com	12 12:30 Com on Ministry 4 UU Christians Group	13 5:15 Maine All-Care 7 Choir	14	15 9:30 AA
16 10 Church Service 10:15 RE Classes 11:30 Adult Ed: "Remembering Woodstock"	17 Office Closed	18 9:30 UUCB Mah Jongg 6:30 Board of Trustees	19 12 Chalice Circle 2 Chalice Circle 3 Pledge Drive Com	20 1 Wabanaki REACH 7 Choir	21 Parish Messenger Deadline Side Door Coffeehouse 7 Open Mike 8:30 Featured Performer: John Cross	22 9:30 AA
23 10 Church Service "Longfellow Days" 10:15 RE Classes 11:30 SoUUps On Celebration	24 Office Closed Rev. Stocker's Sabbatical Week begins	25 9:30 UUCB Mah Jongg 6:30 Stories with Soul 6:30 Longfellow Days "12 Days in May 1925" with John Cross	26 12 Men's Luncheon, Frontier	27 10 Gallery Com 10:30 Building & Grounds Com 7 Choir	28 7 Longfellow's Birthday Celebration	29 9:30 AA



DEADLINE FOR THE February PARISH MESSENGER - Fri. Feb. 21

If you want an announcement or article to appear in the monthly Parish Messenger send it to mheath04011@gwi.mail.com on or before Friday, Feb. 21. The March issue will be distributed on Feb 26.