



The Open Line

SOUTH NASSAU

UNITARIAN UNIVERSALIST CONGREGATION

February 3, 2008 10:30 am

Jim Hawkins and Rev. Catherine Torpey

Irish Spring

A service for St. Brigid, patron saint of Ireland

If necessary, this is the snow date for the Bi-Annual Meeting

Greeter: Bonny Levenson

Coffee: Sharon & Ron Nanos

Ushers: Rosemary Olander Beach & Robin Norris

Lock-up: Ken Lawson

Welcome: Sharon Kennelty Cohen

Social Action Table:

Ways & Means: Rita Tancredi & Mary Canada

February 10, 2008 10:30 am

Board Induction

Rev. Catherine Torpey

Principle 6: The Goal of World Community

If necessary, this is the snow date for the Senior Youth Service

Greeter: Gail & Dennis Compton

Coffee: Dana Reineki & Bobby Newman

Ushers: JoAnn Fassman & Lorrie Bellafiore

Lock-up: Jean Smyth Crocetto

Welcome: Polly Stevens

Social Action Table: Don Obers

Ways & Means: Arlene Brown

February 17, 2008 10:30 am

Rev. Catherine Torpey

Emancipation

Reflections on reparations for slavery

Greeter: Denise Hibbert

Coffee: Gail Compton

Ushers: Leslie Farrington Griggs & Lisa Sobel

Lock-up: George Jackson

Welcome: Betty Shelton

Social Action Table: Hildegard Schubert

Ways & Means: Rita Tancredi

February 24, 2008 10:30 am

Rev. Catherine Torpey

Sloth

One of an occasional series on the Seven Deadly Sins

Greeter: Lorrie & Ken Bellafiore

Coffee: Lorrie & Ken Bellafiore

Ushers: Carrie Mason Draffen & Arlene Brown

Lock-up: Anne Fleming

Welcome: Bobby Newman

Social Action Table: Diane Hawkins

Ways & Means: Alice Spatt

Rev Catherine Torpey, Minister - Office Hours

Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday 10-3

I also welcome meeting at other times, as possible. Since I'm sometimes in meetings, or away at minister's gatherings it's always best to call before dropping in

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Muusings from the Minister

Community Minister's Corner

Dear friends,

I enjoy election season, and have usually volunteered for a candidate—making phone calls, going door-to-door, getting out the vote. This year's race is shaping up as one of the most interesting in recent memory. As I listen to BBC radio, it is evident that many in Britain envy the participatory nature of our caucuses and primaries. Similarly, our autonomy as UU's to choose our own leaders is something that not all religious communities share, and is rightly a source of pride for us. In religious terms, we refer to this as congregational polity.

As this board comes to an end, I want to express my sincere thanks for its excellent work. There have been many important choices this year, and without fail, the members have lived up to the name "trustees." They have acted with complete trustworthiness, selflessness and in the spirit of service. As they end their terms, wish to thank Rita Hines, Cory Rosenberg, and Alix Stoll. I will miss Cory's incisive intelligence and lively wit; Alix's understated yet strong presence and her sense of fun; and Rita's un-failing kindness and thoughtfulness. Jean Smyth-Crocetto remains on the board, but steps down from the presidency. I have been impressed by her remarkable clarity about what constitutes the board's work and what does not. Under her direction, meetings have been congenial, productive and well-run. All have made personal sacrifices of time and energy to help make SNUUC the best place it can be and I am grateful for and inspired by their example.

Surely the personality of the board will alter with a new president and new trustees, but I know that the spirit of service and dedication will remain.

Yours in faith, hope and love,
Catherine

Why is there an arrow shot through that heart? Even the most sentimental depictions of love cast a shadowy side. Every Valentine's Day, it's tempting to view the world as an onslaught of bouquets and lovers, candy assortments and serenades. Somehow, a day devoted to the celebration of love seems to make people feel unloved and forgotten as often as not. While everyone can appreciate the special nature of an exclusive, romantic relationship, we need to be reminded that it is not the *only* bond to hold us tight.

When I attended Jamestown Elementary, February 14th was the most serious deadline of my academic year. If you were going to wish any of your classmates a Happy Valentine's Day, etiquette required that you wish all of your classmates one. So in my schoolbag that morning was packed a couple of boxes of Valentine cards, individually addressed and sealed, for each member of my class. Admittedly, a few of those carried more emotional significance than others (I had a crush on a boy named Arthur for years, and I always sent his sincerely from the heart), but the rest were remembrances.

In retrospect, elementary etiquette was quite instructive. It taught me to recall the people I could hold dear as well as those I already did. It made Saint Valentine's Day significant by encouraging me to expand the scope of my affections, as opposed to narrowing my focus to the object of my immediate desire. Those Peanuts Valentines were work to write, but they were worthwhile. They swelled the heart a little. Distributing them later made me feel enlarged by a generosity of spirit that I and Snoopy and Linus and even Lucy lacked the words to describe.

Those years that my heart was not pierced by Cupid's arrow, all those awkward adolescent years spent in anguish over whether a flower would or would not come, left me feeling deflated in the end. I had my sights set on something that left me blind to so much else. My aim was too exacting. I could have had broader ambitions for Valentine's Day. I could have spied some opportunities to let those nearest to me know that I counted them dear. I try not to overlook those these days.

At any given stage, there are an awful lot of loveable people in our lives. This February, the questions to ask ourselves are simply these: Will we love those people? And how will we let them know? When we remember our fondness for them in special ways, we run less risk of feeling forgotten ourselves. Each time we give affection, we send ourselves a Valentine. We show ourselves what it looks like to watch a heart unfold.

The Rev. Kelly Murphy Mason, L.M.S.W

In the rare event that weather causes
Sunday worship and/or RE to be cancelled,
there will be a message left
on the office answering machine by 8:30am.
If the message on the machine doesn't men-
tion the snow, then there is no cancellation.
You are also free to try phoning the minister,
the board president or the DRE.

OUR BOARDWALK

In response to several requests, the Board of Trustees meeting minutes will be posted on the SNUUC website, www.SNUUC.org. This will be in addition to the current posting on the bulletin board in the hall and in the notebook in the office. We trust this will provide easier access to information about Board happenings.

Information clarifying the DRE salary will be posted on the bulletin board in the hall.

Joys & Concerns Update

We have been experimenting with a means of communicating pastoral Joys and Concerns in a way that we can all embrace. There are those who oppose the "open mic" and those who long for its return. In our search for consensus, we will be providing a notebook at the Candles Table and we ask that those who want to share simply write their name in it before the service. You will be invited up to the microphone during Joys and Concerns. We hope this will give a chance to express Joys and Concerns while maintaining an orderly service. Pastoral concerns of general interest to the overall congregation will still be shared by the pastoral care team, comprised of Bonny Levenson, Linda Nanos and Rita Hines. We will be seeking your feedback over the next few weeks and months.

PULSE of NY has developed the Family Centered Patient Advocacy Training Manual. This manual is part of a workshop to help family and or /friends assist someone they care about through the health-care system. PULSE of NY, a grassroots community health support and education organization was founded in 1997 at SNUUC where meetings are still held.

If you are interested in a spring workshop and are an advocate for someone or need an advocate to help with your care, call to register your name. (516) 579-4711 (PULSE) or see Ilene Corina. This program is great for those interested in pastoral care services in this area.

Proposed Slate of Nominations
to be voted on at the Bi-Annual Meeting.
All members encouraged to attend
on January 27 at noon in Sanctuary.
(snow date February 3)

President (1 year term) and trustee (3 year term):

Robert Esformes

Vice President (2nd term) and trustee (continuing):

George Jackson

Secretary (2nd term) and trustee (continuing):

Anne Fleming

Treasurer (2 year term) and trustee (3 year term):

Thomas Weingarten

Trustee (3 year term): Leslie Farrington-Griggs

Youth trustee (1 year term): Coral Kennelty-Cohen

Continuing trustees:

Carrie Mason-Draffen

Jean Smyth-Crocetto

Barbara Singer

Ken Lawson

2008 Nomination Committee: Bonny Levenson (2nd year), Laura D'Angelo, Peter Larsen, Ken Bellafiore, Mary Brower (2 years)

Submitted by the 2007 Nominating Committee: Jojo Granoff, Brian Larkin, Steve Lester, Bonny Levenson, Lori Strumeyer

Our UU Community

The Shelter Rock Forum invites you to a panel discussion titled *The Human Price of the War in Iraq*, February 3 at 1:00 at the Shelter Rock UU Congregation. \$5 suggested donation. The purpose of this event is to raise awareness of the effect on our troops of being in a war zone, to discuss the lamentable state of veterans' benefits and to offer suggestions on what civilians can do to help veterans make the transition back to society. The panel will be co-led by Vietnam veterans Jim Smith of Shelter Rock and Wayne F. Smith of the UUSC with others participating.

UU Young Adults (18-35) from the Metro NY District are invited to Frost Valley Retreat 2008, February 15-18. The retreat features Circle Worship, hiking, cross country skiing, arts & crafts and time to make new UU friends. Visit www.Connectuu.com and search under Metro New York District. Deadline has been extended, register now!

Save the date April 5th Long Island-wide UU families dinner and program. To help with planning see Ilene Corina

Among Ourselves

A note from the Viemeister Family. To all of mom's dear friends at SNUUC: It's still hard to believe mom is gone - somehow she seemed indestructible. Her energy and spirit were (and still are) extraordinary, and she is sorely missed by many. Mom had wanted to write a note to all of her wonderful friends at the church after her first stroke but we just ran out of time. I know she wanted to thank everyone for all their kindness, notes and visits. She truly felt loved, and for that our family is so grateful. Mom will always be remembered for her compassion and passion, intelligence and certainly for her lovely voice that filled the room on many Sundays. We look forward to seeing many of her old and new friends at the celebration of her remarkable life in the spring. Thank you for your lovely cards and thoughts. From her children Neal, Daryl and Glenn.

A memorial service for Marge will be held at SNUUC on Saturday afternoon, April 19, 2008.

We send condolences to the Nevitt Family on the death of Laurette's mother, Bernadette Binder on January 6, 2008.

Gift Cards Painless Fundraising for SNUUC

If you are new to SNUUC perhaps you have not heard about our gift certificate/ gift card program. We sell gift cards to members at face value, and make our profit because we buy them at a discount.

Supermarket gift cards are available every Sunday at the Ways and Means table during coffee hour. If you shop at Waldbaums, Stop and Shop, King Kullen, Pathmark, or Fairway we have cards for you. For every hundred dollars of cards you purchase we make five dollars. Think how much that adds up to if everyone from SNUUC would use gift cards for at least some of their food purchases. Stop by the table to purchase gift cards or place yourself on the list to have cards mailed to you at home. You can pick the mailing schedule that best suits your needs.

Are you a Starbucks fan? We have Starbucks cards available at the table too.

In addition, we take special orders for cards from all the major department stores, clothing stores, restaurants, bookstores, movie theaters, and more. Go to the www.SNUUC.org and click on fund raising to see a list of gift cards. Think about ordering cards for birthday and holiday gifts. Use them for your own holiday shopping as well. Order forms are available on our website or at the table. Orders are placed following the last Sunday of the month and can be picked up the following Sunday. We place more frequent orders as the holidays near.

Questions? Stop by the Ways and Means table on Sunday, or call **Lynn James-Gross, who is currently handling gift cards.**

Committees at Work

SNUUC Committees meet regularly and most encourage attendance at their meetings even if you are not a member of the committee. Check the committee chairperson list on the bulletin board in the foyer and call if you would like to learn more about a committee.

Stewardship Committee meets each Saturday in January at noon in the foyer. Please speak to Ellen Zaehringer-Gach, Carl Spatt or Arlene Brown about attending these important meetings.

DRE Search committee February 3, 9 am room 1 and February 17, 12:00 room 1.

Ways & Means committee meeting February 3, 12:00 RE wing room 1.

Finance Committee February 4, 7:30 RE.

Congregational Council meeting Wednesday, February 6, 7:30, foyer. All committee chairs should attend. If you are not able to attend please send a representative from your committee. George Jackson, Board VP, will chair the meeting.

RE Committee meeting February 10, 9 am youth room.

Thrift Shop committee meeting February 10, 12:00 room 1.

Membership Committee, February 12, 7:30 foyer.

Board meeting February 20, 7pm foyer.

Social Action Committee meeting Sunday February 24, noon, RE wing.

* Wanted for September *

Volunteers to work as Advisors for our Youth.
Please see Lisa Bilello or Ellen Minzer.

The Junior Youth Group is having a fundraiser for Heifer International

Heifer's mission is to end world hunger by helping hungry families feed themselves and earn an income by giving them livestock that produces milk, eggs, honey, wool, etc. A donation of \$20 will buy a flock of chicks. A donation of \$60 will buy a trio of rabbits. A donation of \$120 will buy a pig or a goat. The Junior Youth has predetermined 4 levels of giving (as a suggestion): \$2, \$5, \$10 and \$15 or more. When you make a donation, you will get a handmade card to write your name on and color in (if you want to) and it will be posted on the wall in the hallway. Please stop by the Junior Youth table in the foyer during coffee hour in Sunday to make a donation.

SNUUC Happenings

Compassionate Communication at SNUUC. The next 13-session series covering Marshall Rosenberg’s book, *Nonviolent Communication – A Language of Life, 2nd ed.*, begins on Saturday, February 2 and is open to all adults and youth (11th grade and up). Beginners and those who have already participated in an NVC intro class are welcome to join us in the foyer from 9:45 to 11:45 for 13 Saturday mornings. If you wish to attend the winter series please put your name on the sign-up list in the foyer and read the 1st chapter of Rosenberg’s book before February 2. Books may be purchased from Amazon (use the SNUUC link). For more information speak with Anne Fleming or Barbara Singer.

Circle Suppers are a wonderful way to share delicious food & good conversation with a small group of SNUUC members & friends. Someone serves as host, volunteers their home and prepares an appetizer for the guests who will bring the salad, main course and dessert. **The next Circle Supper will be on Saturday, March 1 at 6:30pm. Sign-up as a host or guest on the sheet in the foyer.** Enjoy an evening with friends, both new & old. See a membership committee member or someone at the welcome table on Sunday for more information.

Meditation The ongoing Monday night meditation group, the South Ocean Sangha (SOS) has been meeting weekly since January 2006 at 7:15 on Monday nights and always welcome you to join them for meditation, reading and discussion of Buddhist teachings.

Wayne Dyer Meditation A meditation/discussion group continues on February 3 and 17. It is based on Dr. Wayne Dyer’s inspirational CD’s and movies under the category of “Spiritual Cinema” (ex: “The Secret”). Please see Lisa Itts for details.

Drumming Thursdays from 6 – 7:30pm, a small but dedicated group learns Afro-Caribbean drumming. You are always welcome to join us. \$25 a session for non-members or \$20 for members. There is usually a drum available if you can’t bring your own.

The ***Friday Morning Buddhist Meditation Group*** meets at 9 AM. For questions about the group or for instructions on how to meditate, speak to Nick Nanos. Newcomers are welcome!

* **Sunday service volunteers are needed for the up-** *
* **coming months.** Please see Rosemary Olander *
* Beach to usher, Sharon Kennelty Cohen to greet, *
* and Lisa Itts to serve coffee. **If you have never** *
* **served coffee before, speak to Lisa and she will** *
* **partner you with an experienced person.** It’s a *
* way to learn how to do it, get better acquainted with *
* another person from the congregation, and also to *
* meet new people who will absolutely love your bagel *
* spread and cookies! Thank you very much! *

DRE Search wants Your Opinion

How does our RE program fulfill the SNUUC mission? Where would you like to see RE in five years? What are the strengths of our RE program? What qualities and qualifications do you think a new DRE should have?

On these issues and more, the DRE Search Committee wants to hear from everyone...members, youth and children. They have created a DRE Search Survey. Copies to be filled out are available on the Welcome Table in the foyer or you can complete the survey online through this link http://www.surveymonkey.com/s.aspx?sm=cRB8bYGELd4B53awKSDK1g_3d_3d

The committee has scheduled another **Open Forum on Sunday, February 10 at noon in the sanctuary** to hear the congregation’s ideas and dreams for the RE program, and to discuss qualities and qualifications the congregation would like in a permanent DRE.

In the weeks to come, the committee will visit other congregations to learn about successful RE programs, and will meet with SNUUC youth, children, Board members and staff.

Now is the time to make your voice heard. You can start by completing the survey and attending the second Open Forum on February 10.

If you have questions, speak with a member of the committee: Lisa Bilello and Sharon Nanos, co-chairpersons, Coral Kennelty-Cohen, Sharon Kennelty-Cohen, Jayne Davison and Susan Okun.

Get out on a winter night
Saturday February 16, 6pm at SNUUC
Family Fun Night - Pot Luck
Bring a dish to share (for 3 or 4)
and age appropriate games for your child(ren).
More info or to RSVP
call Ilene Corina or JoJo Granoff

UNICRAFTERS They are not a SNUUC secret society. They are actually a group of creative individuals who meet in the foyer every Thursday from 1 to 3 to make distinctive articles sold during the December holiday season. Newcomers are welcome and there are projects ranging from the very easy to the more complex. They have something for everyone. Most of all they always need new ideas.

Be a part of a friendly fun-loving group. The conversations are great and the refreshments are the best. Want to know more? Ask Alice Spatt, Rita Tancredi, Robin Norris, Abby Parker or Helen Joy.

RE-adjustment

Socrates once said, "An unexamined life is not worth living". He believes it is vital to examine ourselves and re-discover our personal truths throughout the journey of our lives. *What brought us here today? What brought us to this faith? What does our faith call us to do?*

Our faith affirms the worth of human beings, advocates freedom of belief and the search for advancing truth, and tries to provide a warm, open, supportive community for people who believe that *ethical living is the supreme witness of religion*. As Unitarian Universalists we are called to nothing less than changing our world for the better. We work for and expect justice, equality, peace and freedom.

Our UU principles, and those of spiritual teachers and wise men and women throughout history, are some of the best guidelines we have for living an honest life, which can create positive change in our world. This sense of practicing religion by living an ethical life is what brought me to this faith.

I was raised in the Dominican Republic, a Catholic country. When it came time for my confirmation I decided not to join in. Having broken away from the Catholic Church when I was 14, and needed a new path for my spiritual growth, I researched other denominations that would encompass my entire self: liberal politics and strong passion for peace and equality as well as a strong belief in unity between all beings. No creed in my conservative country matched up. And so, as was true with the Unitarian minister Ralph Waldo Emerson, Nature served as my altar. The breeze and the rustling of the leaves brought me peace and stillness in moments of stress and anxiety as a youth and young adult.

Then I came to this country for my undergraduate studies and for the first time heard of Unitarian Universalism. I learned about the Seven Principles and knew right then this would be a church where I could find my true self. I began working as an RE teacher and spoke young children every week about freedom of truth and equality; about unity between all people of different races, beliefs and sexual orientations. These children were receiving a far broader religious education than I had received while growing up. We cannot underestimate how special it is that we are offering our UU children the tools to live an ethical life.

Before every choice I make in life, I return to the teachings of the UU principles, which you have entrusted me to help your children learn. In this way I practice my religion and aim to live an ethical life. All we are asked to do as beings in this interconnected world is to be aware of ourselves and be kind to others around us. By doing this, with every action we take, we are actively helping to make our world a more peaceful place to live.

I invite all of you to join me in asking: *How have I been a UU today? What have I done to change the world today?* If we follow Socrates' guidelines for happiness, then it is only through examining our lives and being self aware that we will grow spiritually and change our world for the better.

Mino Lora-Braswell

SOCIAL ACTION NEWS

JOIN US FOR FEBRUARY'S SNUUC MOVIE NIGHT
on Saturday, February 2 at 7:30pm in the foyer

"SOPHIE SCHOLL - THE FINAL DAYS"

2005 Academy Award Nominee for Best Foreign Language Film, "Sophie Scholl - The Final Days" is the true story of Germany's most famous anti-Nazi heroine brought to thrilling, dramatic life. The movie takes place in 1943, as Hitler continues to wage war across Europe. A group of college students mount an underground resistance movement in Munich, dedicated expressly to the downfall of the monolithic Third Reich war machine. The movie stars Julia Jentsch in a luminous performance as the fearless activist of the resistance group called The White Rose.

Armed with long-buried historical records of her incarceration, director Marc Rothemund expertly re-creates the last six days of Sophie Scholl's life: a heart-stopping journey from arrest to interrogation, trial and sentence in 1943 Munich. Unwavering in her convictions and loyalty to her comrades, her cross-examination by the Gestapo quickly escalates into a searing test of wills as Scholl delivers a passionate call to freedom, personal responsibility and for an end to Germany's "permanent war" that is both timeless and hauntingly familiar to our own world of endless war.

"Challenges you to gauge your own courage"--The New York Times

Everyone is invited to join the Social Action Committee to view and discuss this powerfully relevant film. Please bring a light refreshment to share, if you can. For more information, contact Don Obers.

► The next Social Action Committee meeting will be Sunday February 24 at noon in the RE wing. Everyone is invited to attend.

► Environmental Committee - next meeting, February 24 at noon in RE wing, room 1. We will meet during the first part of Social Action Committee meeting. Projects we are working on: changing incandescent bulbs to compact fluorescents throughout SNUUC building. Energy audit. Environmental art show and workshop. Becoming a Green Sanctuary. If you would like a pdf of Green Sanctuary booklet, please ask Diane Hawkins. All new ideas welcome!

UPCOMING RE EVENTS:

2/1: Youth Leadership Con

2/10: 9am: REC meeting/ 12:00pm ICOP Social Action
Activity open to Jr. and Sr. youth

2/24: Special Sunday activity for Primary grades
(no RE classes)

SNUUC Calendar February 2008

Meeting places: S-Sanctuary F-Foyer RE-RE Wing M-Minister's Office

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
January 27 ♦ Senior Youth Service ♦ Bi Annual Meeting 12:00 S OWL 2-6 RE The Artists Way 6:30 RE	January 28 Meditation 7:15 F& S	January 29 Yoga 5:30-6:30	January 30	January 31 Unicrafters 1:00 F Drumming Wkshp 6pm S Choir Practice 7:30 S	February 1 Meditation 9am F	2 NVC 9:45 F Girl Scouts 10am RE Stewardship 12 F ♦ Movie Night 7:30 F Sohie Scholl-Final Days
3 DRE Search Comm 9 rm 1 Ways & Means 12 rm1 Talent Auction Event 1-4:30 F OWL 3-5 RE The Artists Way 6:30 RE Wayne Dyer Meditation 6:30 F	4 Meditation 7:15 F& S Finance Comm 7:30 RE	5 Yoga 5:30-6:30	6 ♦ Congregational Council Meeting 7:30 F	7 Unicrafters 1:00 F Drumming Wkshp 6pm S Choir Practice 7:30 S	8 Meditation 9am F Board Orientation 7pm	9 NVC 9:45-11:45 RE LI Leadership Grp 8-5 F&S CAIR 12:00 RE
10 RE Comm 9am RE Thrift Shop Comm 12:00 RE ♦ Open Forum-DRE Search noon S The Artists Way 6:30 RE	11 Meditation 7:15 F& S	12 Yoga 5:30-6:30 Membership 7:30pm F	13 La Leche 9am RE	14 Unicrafters 1:00 F Drumming Wkshp 6pm S Choir Practice 7:30 S	15 Meditation 9am F	16 NVC 9:45-11:45 F Girl Scouts 10am RE ♦ Family Fun Nite & PotLuck 6pm RE
17 DRE Search Comm 12 rm 1 W. Dyer Meditation 6:30 F	18 Meditation 7:15 F& S	19	20 Board Meeting 7:00 F	21 Unicrafters 1:00 F Drumming Wkshp 6pm S Choir Practice 7:30 S	22 Meditation 9am F	23 NVC 9:45-11:45 F ♦ Canvass Training
24 RE Arts & Crafts K-5 Social Action 12 rm 1 Outside Group 3-5 The Artists Way 6:30	25 Meditation 7:15 F& S LIAC 7-9 RE	26 Yoga 5:30-6:30	27	28 Unicrafters 1:00 F Drumming Wkshp 6pm S Choir Practice 7:30 S	29 Meditation 9am F Talent Auction Event 6pm	March 1 NVC 9:45 F Girl Scouts 10am RE ♦ Circle Suppers 6:30

Bi-Annual Meeting and Elections
Sunday, January 27, 12:00

SNUUC Movie Night, Saturday, February 2, 7:30
"Sophie Scholl - The Final Days"

Congregational Council meeting
A representative from each committee should attend
Wednesday February 6, 7:30

Open Forum on the DRE Search
Sunday February 10, 12:00

The mission of the South Nassau Unitarian Universalist Congregation is to provide a sanctuary of beauty and harmony where: We search in freedom for meaning and truth; we draw inspiration from many religious and philosophical sources while acknowledging the Judeo-Christian heritage of Unitarian Universalism; we embrace diversity and welcome people of all ages, races, and orientations; we affirm that our children and youth are an integral and important part of our religious family; we strive toward a social awareness that leads to transformative action in our community and to living in balance with the environment. Ours is a nurturing congregation where children and adults find acceptance and fellowship, feel empowered and grow spiritually.



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