



The Open Line

SOUTH NASSAU

UNITARIAN UNIVERSALIST CONGREGATION

June 7, 2009 10:30 am
Coming of Age

Rev. Catherine Torpey and the Coming of Age class

Featuring the credo statements of Alex Beach, Max Esformes, Jessica Fox, Matt Larkin and Tess Larsen

Coffee:

Lock-up: Barbara Singer

Social Action Table:

Ushers: Jayne Davison & Anne Fleming

Welcome: Polly Stevens

Ways & Means: Rita Tancredi

June 14, 2009 10:30am
The Divine in the Mix: Why Matter Matters

Rev. Kelly Murphy Mason

Coffee: Diane & Jim Hawkins **Ushers:** Kim Trefcer & Nicki Barry

Lock-up: Rosemary Olander Beach **Welcome:** Bobby Granoff

Social Action Table: **Ways & Means:** Mary Canada

June 21, 2009 10:30am Welcome Summer Barbecue!
Father Time

Rev. Catherine Torpey

In celebration of fathers

Coffee: Welcome Summer Barbecue! **Ushers:** Rita Tancredi & Andrew Spatt

Lock-up: Ken Lawson **Welcome:**

Social Action Table: **Ways & Means:** Arlene Brown

June 28, 2009 10:30am
The Communitarian Impulse

Rev. Valerie Mapstone Ackerman

Why is it so hard to make community work? And why must we succeed now?

Ushers & Refreshments: Alix Stoll & Priscilla Gray

Lock-up: Barbara Singer

Rev Catherine Torpey, Minister - Minister@SNUUC.org

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Dates to Remember

Dear friends,

I know it's summertime because I've switched my daily coffee from a gingerbread-flavored hot cappuccino to an almond-flavored iced latte. The gingerbread syrup won't be available at Starbucks again until the fall comes again. I am always jarred when I first hear, "Sorry, we're out of that flavor for the season," but I get over it; then, when fall comes, it is a delight to re-acquaint myself with the old flavor. I don't know that I can say I enjoy the gingerbread cappuccini more because I am deprived of them for a few months, but it *is* true that it's a delight when they return.

And each year, for us in the northeast, a brief burst of color is bestowed upon us each spring. I've been amazed at the spring we've been blessed with this year. We are beginning June and this beautiful spring just goes on and on and on. Though we've had more than our fair share of rain, it seems to me that we've also had more than our fair share of color. I have been amazed at the glory of the flowers, the trees and the bushes which have been awash in reds, yellows and pinks for weeks and weeks now. There is a section of Long Beach Road in Freeport where some wonderful person working for the village must have made the decision years ago to plant the same fruit tree for several blocks, which meant that for a week or two that road was bathed in pink blooms.

I am never sure if it's true that I appreciate these natural glories *more* because I'm deprived of them for the rest of the year. They are so incredibly delightful that I'd be perfectly content to have our neighborhoods painted with pink trees every day, all year long. I think I could appreciate them just as much on the 365th day as I do on the first day of spring. However, it *is* true that it is nice being reminded each year that the world which seemed awfully dull by the time March rolled around was always full of hidden beauty, just waiting to burst forth.

There is something about living without our wants for a time which adds depth to life. When we are away from a loved one; when we must save up for a purchase we are anxious to make; when we are forced to postpone a vacation; it isn't necessarily true that we'll appreciate them more by having been deprived of them. But it *is* true that the experience of doing without affords us the opportunity to understand ourselves and the world around us in new ways.

As the blossoms give way to green leaves, the memory of their beauty lives on, until next time.

Yours in faith, hope and love,
Catherine

Please help send out this invitation to Young Adults. Know any recent "graduates" from SNUUC's RE program? Or other twenty-somethings with connections to the SNUUC community? Please pass this message on to them: We hope you'll come to our Bridging Service on Sunday, May 31st! And if you'd also like to contribute a brief reflection about being a UU Young Adult, or lend some musical talent, or otherwise participate in the service, we'd love to arrange that with you. Please contact RE Director Jennifer Greene at dre@snuuc.org.

All members are asked to attend the May 31 Bi-annual Meeting, at 12:00 in the sanctuary, where the 2009-10 budget will be presented for a vote and committees' annual reports will be available.

There will be a Congregational Council/ Calendar-ing meeting on Wednesday, June 3 at 7pm. If you use SNUUC space you **MUST** be at this meeting or submit a sheet to the office listing the day/time/space you are requesting for the July 1, 2009 - June 30, 2010 year.

12 PM Sunday, June 14: RE Program planning meeting. (Since few could attend in May, we've re-scheduled!) All welcome--parents, RE Committee members, and other interested congregants. Jennifer will present options for 2009-10, and is requesting your input as we discuss "big picture" goals & plans for the RE Program and look at various curricula. Childcare available--if you need childcare, please let Jennifer know by Friday, June 12: dre@snuuc.org.

We're looking forward to seeing everyone at our annual "Welcome Summer Barbecue" on Sunday June 21 right after service. The membership committee will provide food for the grill (thank you chef Tom Beach!) and the beverages. *Please bring a salad, dessert or side dish to share.*

Our fiscal year ends June 30, 2009. It would be appreciated if your financial commitment payments are brought up to date as soon as possible. Thank you, SNUUC Board of Trustees

OUR BOARDWALK

It's hard to believe, as always at this time of year, that the SNUUC year is wrapping up.

On the business end, we had a good turnout for the May 3 congregational budget hearing, with about 35 members attending. Treasurer Tom Weingarten reported that instead of the deficit forecast in the 2008-09 budget, SNUUC may be ending the fiscal year with a surplus. This is good news and bodes well for our inclination to fund programs from the outset, even in tough times. The budget presented for the 2009-10 fiscal year included a reduced deficit as well as increased hours for our director of religious education, Jennifer Greene.

There was a lot of energy at the budget hearing surrounding renovating the bathrooms to make them handicapped-accessible. The board heard that members feel a need for improved facilities, are interested in a possible capital campaign and want to find out how other congregations have tackled similar projects.

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Two new initiatives are on their way, too. The Thrift Shop Visioning Task Force has recruited members as has the Planned Giving Task Force. Both groups are to begin meeting in the next month, and we'll hear more about their work in the next few months.

Committee chairs (or representatives) are reminded to attend the Congregational Council meeting at 7pm on June 3. This meeting, attended by me and run by the Rev. Catherine Torpey, will include calendaring for the coming year.

On a lighter note, make sure to put June 21 (Father's Day) on your calendar for the Welcome Summer Barbecue after worship at SNUUC. This event is hosted by the Membership Committee and funded by the Board. It's a fun way to gather before we go our often-separate ways for summer. Hope to see you there!

Rosemary Olander-Beach, Vice President

Our UU Community

UU Connect, for all LIAC congregations, youth and families! Friday night, June 26 at 5PM meet at Jones Beach field 6 at the end of the ramp by the water. Bring your dinner, kites and shovels. For July they'll meet at the same place on the morning of Sunday, July 26 at 6AM to see the sun come up!

Sophia Fahs Camp news: A few spaces are still available for campers and staff at the 2009 Sophia Fahs UU RE Camp on Shelter Island, August 9-14, for children/youth entering 3rd-12th grade next fall. Need an application? Have any questions about camp? Please contact RE Director Jennifer Greene today: dre@snuuc.org.

UUMAC 2009 is Coming! July 19-25, 2009, DeSales University, Center Valley, PA. There are lots of places you can go for your summer vacation, but none more life altering than a week at the Unitarian Universalist Mid Atlantic Conference (UUMAC). For more than 25 years, UU's of all ages have gathered on a college campus to celebrate intentional community, learn, grow, retreat, and have a whole lot of fun at the same time. For more information, go to uu-mac.org or speak to the Smyth Crocettos, Comptons, Gray Stolls, Diggle Foxs or Brower Tillers.

UU sponsored camp opportunities about this summers. Look in the pamphlet rack in the hallway for information about Ferry Beach in MA - ferry-beach.org, Star Island off NH - starisland.org, Rowe Camp and Conference center in MA - rowecenter.org, SUUSI, Southeast UU Summer Institute in VA - suusi.org.

There are fun places to stay in the Hamptons for UU members and friends! The UU Congregation of the South Fork, for the 3rd year offers "Hamptons Hospitality," year-round lodging in the gracious homes of our UU community members. They match your wishes to the accommodations offered by our members and friends – from a private or double room, deluxe suite or a whole house. Rates: Memorial Day weekend through September from \$90 to \$175; off season from \$70 to \$125. Go to uucsf.org and click on "Hamptons Hospitality, or contact Nicole in our office: (631) 537-0132, admin@uucsf.org.

Family Get-a-Ways at Murray Grove – get back to simplicity! Enjoy a mini-vacation at your Mid-Atlantic UU retreat center in the peaceful NJ Pine Barrens, on the site where Universalism began: available mid-weeks; comfortable and affordable; fun: pool athletic fields, nature walks, barbecues, fire circle; near beaches, boardwalks, Six Flags, canoeing, restaurants and parks. Support your UU retreat centers! Check out murraygrove.org or call 609-693-5558. Murray Grove's 2nd Annual Drum & Dance Retreat – Learn to drum and have some fun! – August 14-16.

Among Ourselves

We bid a fond farewell to Alexis, Saj and Amaya Surve and wish them luck as they move to NJ!

Thank you very much to the members of the Ways & Means Committee for a very successful Talent Auction! We really appreciate all your hard work!

Congratulations to our many graduating High School seniors and their acceptances to college! Annamarie Bellafiore is going to SUNY Herkimer in Herkimer, NY; Peter Breiding to St. Mary's College in St. Mary's City, MD; Travis Compton to McDaniel College in Westminster, MD and Abeni Mason Drafen will attend Hofstra University. Rachel Halpern is going to Nassau Community College; Alex Larsen to Clark University in Worcester, MA; Matt Lazarus to Stony Brook University and Ted Tiller will attend Nassau Community College.

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 hall and call if you would like to learn more about a committee.

Interweave is meeting on Sunday, June 7 at 12 noon. Bring your coffee and join the conversation as we firm up plans for assisting in a Transgender Service Fundraiser planned at SNUUC later in June.

Ways & Means Committee meeting Sunday June 7 at noon in the RE wing.

Membership Committee meeting Tuesday, June 9 at 7:30pm in the foyer.

Finance Committee meeting Wednesday, June 10 at 7:30pm in room 1.

RE Committee and Program Planning meeting Sunday June 14 at 12:00 in the youth room.

Thrift Shop Committee meeting Sunday, June 14 at noon in room 1.

Board meeting Wednesday, June 17 at 7pm in the foyer.

Social Justice & Environmental Committees meeting Sunday June 28 at noon in the room 1.

Ways \$ Means

The results are in! This year's Talent Auction raised almost \$14,000! Thanks to everyone that participated to make this a great event! *Some events are still open.* **The Open Item list is available on our website** www.SNUUC.org, look for 'Talent Auction Leftovers' on the first page, or ask for a copy of the list at the Ways & Means table on Sunday. To get in on any of open events, contact the bidder, tell them you are interested, and then give your check (made out to SNUUC) to Alice Spatt.

Do you buy groceries? Then be a part of SNUUC's Grocery Store/Gift Card Program. You buy the cards at face value and use them as you would cash or give as a gift! Proceeds from the card sales help raise money for SNUUC! The cards can be purchased at the Ways and Means table on Sunday or sign up for monthly mailings with Peter Larsen, pjl@pjlarsen.com.

June Movie Night

On Saturday June 6 at 7:30pm Social Action Committee film night will present *My Country, My Country* a powerful film by Laura Poitras about the US invasion and occupation of Iraq. Poitras follows a physician and Sunni political office candidate, Dr Riyadh, in the weeks and months leading up to the January 2005 national election. Poitras documents Riyadh's outreach through the war ravaged towns and his interaction with the injured and devastated citizens as they prepare for the coming election. She also goes into his waiting room and documents his treatment of patients injured emotionally and physically. The story of the US occupation, the Iraqi reaction to it, the elections and the many political complications are explored in this dramatic footage. We hope you will join us.

On months with a fifth Sunday, the monies received during the offering can be designated for a chosen not for profit charity. If you have a charity you would like to see receive these monies, please contact Mary Brower or Mirna Obers for an application. Ideally a representative for the charity should give a short speech prior to the collection explaining the charity. If you have any questions see Mary or Mirna, Fifth Sunday Giving Committee.

SNUUC Happenings

Jean Cahn would like to start a discussion group to be held before our regular service. She attended them at the Boca Raton U.U. and said it was a very interesting addition. A topic for each session is decided by the group the week prior. Subjects of these sessions can vary from philosophy to healthcare. If you are interested please speak with Jean.

The Communal Table is a group of SNUUC people who get together to dine out. The next Communal Table meal will be on Sunday, June 14 after the service, at a local restaurant, Grillfire, nearby on Sunrise Highway across from the Merrick Railroad Station. We will gather there around 12:30 - 1pm and enjoy a great Brunch with SNUUC friends. All are welcome! For more information contact Twanya Schmidt.

On Saturday June 20, 5 - 8pm the LITDOR committee, in cooperation with the SNUUC Interweave Committee, will hold a Pasta Pizzazz fund raiser for the 2009 Transgender Day of Remembrance service. Join our DJ, Robert Urban, and other surprise musical guests for an evening of music and dancing inspired by the 60's Rat Pack of Frank, Sammy, Dean and Joey. Come in the attire of the period or as your favorite member of the pack. Spaghetti, meatballs, Italian cake, cookies, coffee, and soft drinks will be served. Silent Auctions and 50/50 Raffle will be held every hour. \$15 Suggested donation at the door. PLEASE RSVP to: litdorrsvp@gmail.com by June 13th or speak to Toni Negrelli or Kyle Schuessler for additional information.

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.

Pilates anyone? A Pilates class, led by a licensed Pilates teacher, is held at SNUUC on Monday nights at 8pm in the foyer. Pilates is a non-weight bearing exercise designed to flatten the belly, elongate & strengthen muscles, correct posture & ultimately gain greater flexibility. If you are interested in attending please contact Bonny Levenson.

Are looking for a way to add some balance, strength, and flexibility to your life? Come and join us for our next 6-week session of Gentle Yoga with Spirit right here at SNUUC. These classes are taught by Ivy Greenburg, a licensed yoga instructor. Enrollment is open to all, regardless of ability or previous experience with yoga. They meet on Thursdays, 4:30-5:30 and Tuesdays, 5:30-6:30. During the summer the Thursday group will meet in the morning, at 9am. The cost for a 6-week course is \$75. Since space is limited, please contact Anne Fleming at aflem-ing528@gmail.com to reserve your spot!

NVC Empathy Sessions are held on the 1st and 3rd Tuesdays of the month from 7:30-9 pm in the foyer. Everyone who has participated in a 13 week Compassionate Communication Series is invited to join us to practice empathy

South Ocean Art Gallery

Everyone is invited to the SNUUC Family Art Show! Enjoy an evening of art, music, conversation and refreshments with the talented artists of SNUUC. The opening reception will be Friday, June 5th, 7-9pm, and the work will remain hanging in the foyer through the summer. Please contact these key people for questions about the show.

Art: Jeanne Menoutis - jemini263@aol.com

Music: Diane Hawkins - parkviewdesign@verizon.net

Food: Linda Nanos - linda_nanos@hotmail.com

Our Thrift Shop

Are You a Yard Sale Addict? If so, you can help our Thrift Shop while enjoying yourself! When you visit yard sales, look around for the following items; glassware, dishes, pots and pans, flatware, art objects, jewelry, shelves and collectibles. These are all very desirable, salable items in our Thrift Shop.

When you find a yard sale with any of these items that are in good, salable condition, you can help in any of the following ways: Purchase the items, donate them to the Thrift Shop and received a tax slip for an income tax deduction. OR 2) Give a Thrift Shop business card to the yard sale operator and he/she would call to have these items picked up at the end of the sale. (There are business cards on the office desk at SNUUC.) The operator will receive a tax slip for the donated merchandise. You can pick up the items or contact Joe McAuley or Dorothy Curran for the pick up. Enjoy yourself and help out the Thrift Shop at the same time!

If you have free time during the summer months our Thrift Shop, located at 22 West Merrick Road in Freeport, is open 10-4 every day but Sunday. It is staffed by many SNUUC members and community volunteers and is a terrific place to shop, to volunteer and to donate clean, gently used saleable merchandise. They can use your help and your merchandise, and you will probably find something great for you! Stop by or contact Dorothy Curran to see how you can help. gardenwomyn@optonline.net. The phone number of the thrift shop is 223-3974.

PULSE focus group Wednesday, June 24 7-9pm in the foyer. Developing tools for the family to use at the bedside while the patient is hospitalized. RSVP to Ilene Corina

In the RE Wing

As I write this, I've just returned from a trip out of town. On the outbound flight, my seatmate and I enjoyed a pleasant, wide-ranging conversation. When asked "What do you do?", I was happy to tell him about being the DRE at this UU congregation. It turned out he'd never heard of Unitarian Universalism.

Fortunately, I had my "elevator speech" ready! And that got the conversation rolling. (Here's what I like to open with—I've borrowed this from the Rev. Tony Larsen: "UUs believe it's important to...search for truth with an open mind...love your neighbor...and work to make the world a better place.") I also had some wallet cards to offer; these days, I always carry them with me. And as it happened, I even had *American Heretic* in my lap. (A gift from a friend, it's the biography of Theodore Parker: great preacher, maverick Unitarian, Transcendentalist, abolitionist.) My seatmate was someone who'd grown up in the Catholic Church but was wanting something else. I was so glad to have been able to share the good news of our tradition with him.

Are you ready to do the same? Deliver your elevator speech? Offer a wallet card? Share SNUUC's website with a friend, a neighbor, or a perfect stranger? Please, I urge you—help others find this tradition. Help them come to this congregation. Help them discover this RE program for their children.

If you came to UUism in your adult years, recall what it felt like to discover a new, free religious home. It was good news, wasn't it? Don't keep that good news to yourself! And if you were raised Unitarian, Universalist, or UU, you've probably spent time reflecting on why you continue to embrace this faith, why it continues to be your chosen home. Don't keep that good news to yourself! Share it.

Yes, be an evangelical UU. Carry some wallet cards. (See me if you need some!) Practice your elevator speech. Invite someone to come on Sunday. You never know—this could be the **free religion** they're looking for, the nurturing experience they want **for their child**, the loving, justice-minded **community** they've been missing for too long. When you get the chance, I hope you'll be ready to let our light shine!

As this RE year closes, I want to acknowledge five of our youth—Alex Beach, Max Esformes, Jessica Fox, Matt Larkin, and Tess Larsen—who have just completed the Coming of Age program. On June 7, the heart of the Sunday service will be the reading of these youths' credos. Congratulations to Alex, Max, Jess, Matt, and Tess, as well as their mentors and families.

We have also recently celebrated our "Bridging" 12th graders. "Bridging" here refers to a time of transition—the crossing to young adulthood. To all seniors: we wish you the very best as you go from high school on to the next stage of your lives! Annamarie Bellafiore, Peter Breiding, Travis Compton, Rachel Halpern, Alex Larsen, Matt Lazarus, Abeni Mason Draffen, and Ted Tiller—congratulations, and may you let your light shine brightly in the future.

To the rest of the youth and children: thank you for helping make my first year here wonderful. It's been a joy getting to know each of you! I hope you have a great summer, and I look forward to a fantastic RE program with you next year.

And finally, to all RE volunteers: the loving-kindness you've shown the children and youth of SNUUC, the time you've devoted, and the flexibility and patience you've given to this very green (i.e., *new*) DRE—all of this has endeared you to me, and I am filled with appreciation and admiration as I recall what each of you has contributed this year. On behalf of the entire congregation, I offer you heartfelt thanks for your volunteer support this year of the children's and youth's total RE experience at SNUUC.

Gratefully yours, Jennifer

SOCIAL ACTION NEWS

HELP SUPPORT THE 2009 CUBA CARAVAN! The Inter religious Foundation for Community Organization (IFCO) / Pastors for Peace is now planning the 20th Friendship Caravan to Cuba during the month of July 2009. Humanitarian Aid collected for the caravan will be supporting the ongoing reconstruction efforts in Cuba after the devastating impact of Hurricanes Gustav, Ike and Poloma in Fall 2008. IFCO/Pastors for Peace also believes that NOW, with our new president and his administration, is the time to finally end the US government's economic blockade against Cuba. The Social Action Committee at SNUUC is once again, for the tenth consecutive year, organizing to support IFCO's Cuba Caravan.

HELP IS NEEDED BY IFCO IN THE FOLLOWING AREAS:

- 1) Help raise money to purchase, or arrange for a tax-exempt donation, of the following types of vehicles: school buses, ambulances, trucks or bookmobiles
- 2) Help locate and gather medical and construction equipment and supplies
- 3) Consider applying to travel on the caravan to Cuba during July 2009
- 4) Help organize the fundraising event for the Caravan at SNUUC to take place on Saturday, June 27 at 6:30 with a pot luck supper, speaker, music and film, *The Power of Community: How Cuba Survived Peak Oil*.

Please contact Don or Mirna Obers at 516 946-9361 if you can help or volunteer in any of the above ways.

SNUUC Calendar June 2009

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

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<p><i>May 31</i> Bridging Bi-Annual Meeting 12 S Social Action & Environ 12 rm 1 COA 2-4 RE</p>	<p>1 Pilates 8pm F</p>	<p>2 Yoga 5:30-6:30 F Empathy Circle 7:30-9 F</p>	<p>3 Congregational Council calendaring meeting 7pm F</p>	<p>4 COM 4:15 M Unicrafters 1:00 F Yoga 4:30 F Drumming Wkshp 6pm S Choir Practice 7:30 S</p>	<p>5 Foyer Art Opening Reception SNUUC Family Art Show 7-9 F</p>	<p>6 ♦ Social Action film 7:30 <i>My Country, My Country</i></p>
<p>7 COA Celebration Ways & Means 12 RE Interweave 12 RE Outside group 2:30-5:30 S & F</p>	<p>8 Girl Scouts 7-8:30 RE Pilates 8pm F</p>	<p>9 Yoga 5:30-6:30 F Membership 7:30pm F</p>	<p>10 La Leche 9am RE Finance Comm 7:00 RE</p>	<p>11 Unicrafters 1:00 F Yoga 4:30 F Drumming Wkshp 6pm S Choir Practice 7:30 S</p>	<p>12</p>	<p>13</p>
<p>14 Thrift Shop 12 rm1 RE Program Planning meeting 12 RE Thrift Shop Visioning Task Force 12 RE</p>	<p>15 Pilates 8pm F</p>	<p>16 Yoga 5:30-6:30 F Empathy Circle 7:30-9 F</p>	<p>17 Board Meeting 7:00 F</p>	<p>18 La Leche 1-3 RE Unicrafters 1:00 F Yoga 4:30 F Drumming Wkshp 6pm S Choir Practice 7:30 S</p>	<p>19</p>	<p>20 Interweave Pasta Pizzazz fundraising dinner 5-8 RE</p>
<p>21 Welcome Summer Barbecue 12:00 Front Lawn!</p>	<p>22 Girl Scouts 7-8:30 RE Pilates 8pm F</p>	<p>23 Yoga 5:30-6:30 F</p>	<p>24 PULSE 6:30-9 F</p>	<p>25 Unicrafters 1:00 F Yoga 4:30 F Drumming Wkshp 6pm S Choir Practice 7:30 S</p>	<p>26</p>	<p>27 Cuba Caravan Pot Luck & Program 6:30-10 RE & K</p>
<p>28 Social Action & Environ 12 rm 1 Outside group 1-11 RE & K</p>	<p>29 Pilates 8pm F</p>	<p>30 Yoga 5:30-6:30 F</p>	<p>July 1</p>	<p>2 Yoga 4:30 F Drumming Wkshp 6pm S Choir Practice 7:30 S</p>	<p>3</p>	<p>4</p>

Bi-annual Meeting Sunday May 31, 12:00
Congregational Council Calendaring meeting
Wednesday June 3, 7pm
Welcome Summer Barbecue
Sunday June 21 right after service

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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