

Kearsarge Unitarian Universalist Fellowship P.O. Box 1578 New London, NH 03257 (603) 526-8213 www.kuufnh.org

September 2022

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Unitarian Universalists affirm the worth and dignity of all human beings and advocate freedom of belief and an open search for truth.

> The Kearsarge Unitarian Universalist Fellowship meets weekly on Sundays at 11:00 a.m. (September through June) at the Stone Chapel and via Zoom

WELCOME BACK!

I hope everyone has had an enjoyable summer. We are in the middle of harvest season (those of you with gardens can appreciate this) and it's time to gather the bounty, and a great time to reconvene for KUUF services. Taken from one of our welcome packets:

"We join with open hearts and minds to worship together; seeking what is sacred among us."

Let's put the word out and see if we can bring new and past friends to our services and join the harvest.

Remember—we welcome all who are looking for a liberal (and thinking) religious experience. We will start this new church year (2022-2023) with our service on September 11 at the Proctor Stone Chapel. If you can't make it in person, we will be also broadcasting via ZOOM. If you aren't on our email list that sends out the ZOOM service link, send an email to <u>admin@kuufnh.org</u> and Rose, our admin, will add you. Our Sunday Service Committee has diligently worked on putting together a line-up of past favorite presenters/celebrants and a few new ones, all who will

provide thought-provoking and challenging sermons/talks. If you would like to take a stab at giving us some things to think about, contact a member of the Sunday Service Committee. And please consider joining this very important committee. We are a small congregation, and it is very easy to contribute.

KUUF currently has 2 "job openings"; a chair setup person and an Audio-Visual technician, both needed to help with the Sunday services. Think of your friends and family, here is a way to earn a few bucks on Sundays. If you know of someone, have them, drop me an email at <u>jimv@kuufnh.org</u>. Since COVID is still around, we all need to be vigilant and take proper precautions. That said, we are getting more comfortable at getting back to "normal", whatever that is, and I look forward to reuniting and socializing with friends. It will be great to see you all in person and via ZOOM!

Jim Vashro, President, KUUF Board of Trustees

September KUUF Calendar

September 5		Labor Day
September 11	11am	Lou Botta
September 13		NH Primaries – VOTE
September 18	llam	Art Rosen
September 22		Autumnal Equinox
September 25	11am	Rev. Dick Dutton
September 25-27		Rosh Hashanah

September 11, 2022 Lou Botta

The Universality of Unitarian Universalism

September 18, 2022 Art Rosen

Genesis Revisited

For two thousand years, Genesis was thought to have been written by a single person, Moses. Since then, scholars have concluded that it is a composite of several documents different in style and substance. The talk will offer new interpretations derived from de-constructing the text into its components. The interpretations will challenge traditional Jewish and Christian thinking.

September 25, 2022 Rev. Dick Dutton

Help Me to Believe in Beginnings

Some thoughts, personally and for the church, on change, risk, unknowns, and togetherness.

CHICKENS ARE LAYING

\$4/dozen

Free range

If you would like eggs delivered to the church, please call or email Kathy:

jvashro@gmail.com

208-440-1855

Please indicate how many you'd like weekly and Kathy will bring them every week.



SHARING THE BOUNTY

Is your garden producing more than you need? Consider sharing your abundance by bringing extras along to church!





<u>Membership</u>

Do you want voting rights and help make decisions for KUUF's future? Or do you want to support and continue KUUF's wonderful services, projects, and ideals? Ask about MEMBERSHIP.

If you are interested in becoming a member Please contact Kathy Vashro 735-5642 or 208-440 -1855



SEPTEMBER BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES

September 3Henry HowellSeptember 7Lou BottaSeptember 13Fran PrestonSeptember 30Tom & Liz Maloof

"Perhaps all the dragons in our lives are princesses who are only waiting to see us act, just once, with beauty and courage." Reiner Marie Rilke

Pledge Reminder

Is your Pledge up to date? If you are unsure, please contact Ken Preston, Treasurer, for any information you may need. (tele 526-9823).

The financial health of KUUF depends on you!

Thank you to all for your financial support.

Directory Updates: Is Your Information Up to Date?

To keep the KUUF directory and email list current, please send Rose Jansen, the KUUF Administrator, any changes or additions. This includes:

- Mailing/physical address
- Email address
- Phone numbers

Also, if you are receiving this newsletter and would like to be added to the KUUF Directory, please send the above information to Rose and she will add you.

Email: <u>admin@kuufnh.org</u>





PRISMATIC READS AT GIBSON'S

Inspired by the Open Agenda program at Savoy, Gibson's Bookstore in Concord created a Gay It Forward program. Prismatic Reads is both a selection of books that have been pre-purchased for anyone to take home and also an opportunity for customers with extra funds to help increase access to queer literature for young readers. Prismatic Reads focuses on LGBTQIA+ books for YA and Middle Grade readers.

Customers looking to get a book can head to their Young Adult Section and select one of the Prismatic Reads Cards on display to redeem at the main register. They've made it that easy!

Looking for a way to give back?

- 1. Choose a book you'd like to donate
- 2. Purchase as usual

3. Let the bookseller know it's for Prismatic Reads OR, if you're ordering online, write in the comment section that this is for Prismatic Reads

4. Know you've provided a book for someone in need to take home

5. Feel extra super-duper rainbow-y



PASTORAL CARE TEAM CONTACT US IF YOU OR SOMEONE YOU KNOW WOULD ENJOY HEARING FROM US.

Thank you to those who have kept us informed of people's life changes, joys, and concerns. Please continue informing us - you are our ears and eyes for the congregation.Thank you!

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We are now a team of two but need more people to be our eyes and ears, and hands and feet. Please pass on information to us about those you know who are 'shut ins', in the hospital, sick at home, or would enjoy some company. If you can spare time to help, please contact Lee Page or Kathy Vashro.

Thank you to those who are connecting with our congregation by driving, cooking, and making phone calls.



KUUF Endowment FUND

Provides a lasting legacy for Unitarian Universalism in our Kearsarge Sunapee region.

Making a bequest to the KUUF Endowment Fund is a simple way to protect your values and help our congregation remain a voice for liberal faith throughout the Kearsarge Sunapee region. You can name KUUF as a beneficiary in your will, trust, retirement plan, life insurance policy or financial accounts. Anyone can make a bequest and no amount is too small.

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For further information, contact a member of our Finance Committee. Currently serving 2020-2021 are Tom Maloof, Sandy Wells, Henry Howell, and Ken Preston.

What's worse than finding a worm in your apple?

Finding half a worm in your apple.