**Unitarian Universalist Community Church**

**Worship Service - Sunday, November 27, 2016**

***TODAY at UUCC***

 **Services 9:15 & 11 a.m.** “Stories as a Shared Ministry”\*

 Worship Leaders: SGM Committee

 **Goddess/Earth Circles**, 12:15 p.m., Fellowship Hall

\*In telling and hearing our stories, what are the points of connection? What impact do stories have as we tell them and as we hear them? Hear stories from the SGM groups themselves and explore how they are key to ministry at UUCC.

**12:15pm, Goddess/Earth Circles, Fellowship Hall**

Introducing material for the study of several Goddess. Join us in exploring this approach for individual and a group. We will also be looking at the Library collection of books related to Goddesses and women's spirituality. All genders, youth and adults welcome. Contact: Helen Zidowecki (582-5308, hzmre@hzmre.com)

**Horcrux Update from Religious Exploration**

We will continue to collect dental hygiene products TODAY during Fellowship Hour. The products will be donated to the Augusta Warming Center for those most in need in our community.

***Notices***

**THIS TUESDAY, Iraqi Community - Remember and honor Prophet Mohammed**

The Iraqi community of Augusta will gather again on the anniversary of the death of the Prophet Mohammed on Tuesday, November 29th. All are welcome to join this time of remembering and honoring at 3:00 p.m. at Mainly Grocery, 92 Northern Avenue, Augusta.

**BOARD MEETING DATES HAVE CHANGED**

Board meetings will now be held on the first THURSDAY of each month (beginning THIS THURS. Dec. 1st). This change was made so that all members of the Board would be able to participate.

**DRAFT - UUCC Board Meeting Agenda**

**December 1, 2016**

**JUDD HOUSE – 6:00 pm**

Opening and Chalice Lighting: Karen Foust??

Sharing by Board Members

Missional Conversation: Review covenant

Approval of Oct. and Nov. Minutes

Review Oct and Nov. Treasurer’s Reports

Minister’s Report

Finance Committee recommendations

Other:

 RE Retreat Update w Kim Sweeney UUA Regional Staff

 MUUSSAN Annual Report to Board

 Anniversary Plans

 Announcements: Women’s March in Jan.

 Facilities Update

**December 11th Elder lunch needs entrees and desserts.**

Could you cook an entree for 8-10 (soup, casserole, or quiche) or bake some finger friendly treats (cookies, bars, or brownies). Contact Marilyn Dunn maine20007@hotmail.com or 207-512-5382.

**EAT Mindfully AND Help the CHURCH?– Yes, YOU CAN!**

Gardiner Food Co-op sells gift certificates of any increment and will donate 5% of each gift certificate to our church (just be sure to mention this to them when you purchase it). Buy a gift certificate and then use it immediately to shop. Support the Co-op and our church. Thank you, Sunshine Perlis

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**Support UUCC Upcoming Fundraising Events:**

 **Saturday, Dec 3** Holiday Fair with Hannah's Boutique ... please bring your sale items to the church after 1 p.m. on Friday, Dec. 2. For contributions to café goods: contact Betty Cairn, stonehengemaine@yahoo.com.

 **Friday, December 16**, 5:30 p.m., Chocolate Auction with 6:30 p.m., Gary Chapin Trio concert. Signup sheet in Fellowship Hall. Contact Catherine Palmer, 207.458.7384.

 **Saturday, January 14**, 2017, LGBTQ [and all UU friends] Dance with DJ Dan Plourd, Fellowship Hall, 7-10 p.m. Refreshments available. Suggested per person donation: $10.

 **Saturday, January 28**, 2017, Used Books and Brownies for Sale, Fellowship Hall. Contact Marilyn Dunn, maine2007@hotmail.com, or call 207.512.5382.

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**Various HELP Wanted for Dec 3rd Holiday Fair**

Sales People Wanted for Hannah’s Boutique on the 8 to 9:30 a.m. and 9:30 to 11 a.m. shifts. There are also opportunities to unpack and/or price gifts during the Friday afternoon December 2nd set-up between 1 and 5 p.m. Alternatively, you may wish to be part of the clean-up crew Saturday afternoon beginning at 1:30 p.m. If you would like to join one of our crews, please contact Hannah Faulkner (293-9377 or hannahuu3@fairpoint.net) or Catherine Palmer (or palmercatherinemaine@gmail.com or 458-7384). We promise you’ll have fun!

**Chocolate Auction, December 16th**

**Chocolate contributions (or promises for contributions) are being accepted.** Contact Sunshine at senoritabun@gmail.com or 557-3078.

**Books needed for Book Café fundraiser Sat. Jan. 28th.**

A Cabin Fever Book Café is planned for Jan. 28th. Please set aside quality books (no magazines, old text books, encyclopedias or romance novels). If you can store the books until Thurs. Jan. 26th it would be helpful. If you can’t, we can store your contribution in the sanctuary basement which is very dry. Please don’t make the box heavy, we’d rather carry two smaller boxes. FMI: Marilyn Dunn maine2007@hotmail.com or 512-5382.

***This Week at UUCC*** *…*

**Monday, November 28, 2016**

 Private Piano Lessons, 2:30-6:00 pm, Sanctuary

 Nar-ANON, 5:30 pm, Robbins Room

 Peaceful Heart Sangha, 6:30 pm, Sanctuary

**Tuesday, November 29, 2016**

 Al-Anon, 12:00 noon, Robbins Room

 SGM (M. Stengel), 2:00 p.m., Off Premises

**Wednesday, November 30, 2016**

 Seasoned Souls, 10:30 am, FH (Chg from 11/23)

 Gentle Yoga, 5:00 p.m., Fellowship Hall

 Right Relations Work Group, 6 pm, Robbins Rm

 Choir Rehearsal, 6:00 p.m., Sanctuary

**Thursday, December 1, 2016**

 SGM (Zidowecki), 10:00 a.m., Robbins Room

 Board Meeting, 6:00 pm, Judd House (2nd Flr)

 **<Changed from 12/12>**

 In-Kind: Horizon Pgm (Annual World AIDS Day), 6:00 pm, Fellowship Hall/Sanctuary

**Friday, December 2, 2016**

 Nonviolent Comm, 10:15 a.m., Robbins Room

 SETUP (UUCC Holiday Fair w/Café), 1-6pm, FH

 Magical Movie Night, 6:00 pm, Sanctuary

**Saturday, December 3, 2016**

 UUCCOO Rehearsal, 8:30 a.m., Sanctuary

 UUCC Holiday Fair w/Café, 8:30 am-1:30 pm, FH

 MUUSAN Steering Committee Meeting,

 9:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m., Judd House (2nd Floor)

 Private Piano Lessons, 2:00-6:00 pm, Sanctuary

 RENTAL: Private Event, 3-11 pm, Fellowship Hall

**Sunday, December 4, 2016**

 **Services 9:15 & 11:00 a.m.** “Music Sunday”\*

 Worship Leaders: Rev. Carie Johnsen, Bridget Chapin, Dan Gilbert

 **SGM (Dunn) Holiday Luncheon**, 11:00 a.m.,

 Drew House (1st Fl, Back Room)

 **Adult R.E. Program Begins, Our Journey’s End,**

 **Spiritual Guide to End of Life Planning**,

 12:30 p.m., Fellowship Hall

 **Geshi Monk – Dharma Lesson**, 2pm, Sanctuary

\*\*This traditional holiday service has become a favorite among members and friends. Bring your family, friends and your neighbors for this holiday treat. This service brings us together to sing and enjoy a morning of music highlighting the Unitarian Universalist Community Church Choir and Occasional Orchestra.

***Upcoming Events***

**Dec 4th  How Does a Life Mean: Finding the Tools to Craft our Story - Led by Gary Chapin and Rev. Carie**

Our first highly interactive session will begin the conversation around preparing for Our Journey's End. What does it mean to prepare for the end of our journey? We think it means framing the story of the journey itself. Come find the tools and collaborators to help you do that. To register for this event please email admin@augustauu.org

*This monthly Adult Enrichment series will run from December to June, Sundays from 12:30 - 2:30 p.m.*

Feel free to attend one, two or all sessions. Adults of all ages welcome. Mortality is the only prerequisite.

This series is FREE and open to the public. FMI: see flier in Fellowship Hall or the Adult Enrichment booklet.

**Sunday, Dec. 4th – Geshi Monk offers a Dharma Lesson.**

Join us as Gelek, a Geshi monk offers us a dharma lesson. More information to come. Leader: Noah Gottlieb 409-1642 or gorbogorboze@roadrunner.com

**Tuesday, Dec. 6th, SOCIAL ACTIVITIES: Discussion with Maine Author, Ron Chase**

UUCC and Lithgow Library are partnering to bring Maine Author, Ron Chase to the Lithgow Library on Dec. 6th at 6pm to present his book, THE GREAT MARS HILL BANK ROBBERY. The Great Mars Hill Bank Robbery profiles the real life adventure story of a Vietnam War hero, Bernard Patterson, who robbed the Northern National Bank in Mars Hill in 1971 of $110,000, at the time the largest bank robbery to ever occur in the state of Maine. See flier for more information.

This program is FREE and OPEN to the PUBLIC

***UUCC Office Hours***

**UUCC Office Hours <hours for next week>**

Monday ----------------------------------<No office hours>

Tues., Wed. AND Thurs.--------------9:00 am to 4:00 pm

Friday -------------------------------------< No office hours >

**Rev. Carie’s Office Hours:**

Monday No office Hours (Writing Day)

Tuesday 1:00 pm – 5:00 pm

Wednesday 2:00 pm – 6:00 pm

Friday No Office Hours (Sabbath day)

 <other hours available by appointment>

**Pastoral Care** concerns: contact Rev. Carie Johnsen at (508)221-5295 or email revcariejohnsen@gmail.com

**Caring Cooperative** support, contact Cheryl Abruzzese at cam1nik2@gmail.com or 858-5340.

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