**Unitarian Universalist Community Church**

**Worship Service - Sunday, December 18, 2016**

***TODAY at UUCC***

**Service 9:15 a.m.** “The Magic of the Holidays”\*

 Worship Leaders: Bridget Chapin & the

 Religious Exploration Community

**Service 11:00 a.m.** “Make Way for Silence”\*

 Worship Leader: Rev. Carie Johnsen

**Coming of Age**, 9:00 a.m. – 1:00 pm, DH (1st Floor)

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

**IN-KIND: Equality Maine**, 4-5:30 pm, Robbins Room

**2017 Guatemala Service Project Mtg**, 3:30 pm, OP

\*The 9:15 a.m. multigenerational service will celebrate the magic of the holidays with unity, creativity, and chocolate. Together we will stand in strength and joy this holiday season, rising on the power we all have to change the world. Our 11:00 a.m. service will provide some spacious and splendid silence in the middle of your holiday merriment.

**TODAY at 12:15 – 2 p.m., Fellowship Hall**

**Goddess/Earth Circles.** Yule: A time of rest, a time of rebirth, a time of renewal; A time of darkness and stillness, a time of anticipation; A time of myth of Holly King and the Oak King. Join us for reflections, traditions, play reading and stories of Yule.

**UUCC COMMUNITY CAROLING TODAY**

**We will be singing at Woodlands Nursing Home (Winthrop St, Hallowell) at 1:00 pm; Glenridge Nursing Home (Glenridge Drive, Augusta) at 3:00 pm and Kennebec Plaza, (Willow Street, Augusta) at 5:00 pm. There will be cocoa and cookies at Kennebec Plaza. We may also sing at UUCC front door on the evening of December 24th.**

 **Please join us for one stop or for all!**

**FMI: Jenny McKendry@gwi.net or 622-4501 or**

**Maggie Ricker (Maggiesway@aol.com or 689-7711)**

***Notices***

**January 8th Elder Lunch** needs Entrees and finger friendly desserts. Please contact Mariyn Dunn maine2007@hotmail.com or 512-5382.

**TOMORROW – Monday, December 19th**

**SOCIAL ACTIVITY – Learn how to make Needham Chocolates**

Join us Monday, December 19th in Fellowship Hall at 6:00 pm as we learn how to make needham chocolates. Great for holiday giving or just to treat yourself. This event will be both FUN and YUM? Join us! FMI: Cheryl Clukey.

**Hannaford Card Program Seeks Apprentice**

The UUCC Hannaford card fundraising program needs an apprentice to learn the ropes and help us generate more than $4,000 annual dollars for our church budget. Hannaford provides a five (5%) percent dollar incentive if we buy Hannaford cards through the company. You still get the full value of your grocery purchase. A mentor is available to show you how it all works! Contact: Catherine Palmer at 207.458.7384 or email PalmerCatherineMaine@gmail.com.

**Used Books and Fresh Baked Goods Needed for Cabin Fever Book Sale**

A Cabin Fever Book Café is planned for January 28th in Fellowship Hall. Please set aside quality books (no magazines, old text books, encyclopedias or romance novels). If you can store the books until Thursday January 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. Organizer contact is Marilyn Dunn maine2007@hotmail.com or 207-512-5382.

***This Week at UUCC*** *…*

**Monday, December 19, 2016**

Newsletter articles due to Newsletter@augustauu.org

 In-KIND: Spring Democracy, 12:30 pm, FH

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

 ~~Membership Committee Mtg~~, <CANCELLED>

 Nar-ANON, 5:30 pm, Robbins Room

 SGM Ellis McKeen (D. Maddi), 6:00 pm, CR

 SGM (T. Cairn), 6:00 pm, DH (1st Fl, Parlor)

 SOCIAL ACTIVITY: Make Needham Chocolates, 6:00 p.m., Fellowship Hall

 Peaceful Heart Sangha, 6:30 pm, Sanctuary

**Tuesday, December 20, 2016**

 RENTAL: Private, 8:30–10:30 a.m., DH (1st Fl, Parlor)

 Al-Anon, 12:00 noon, Robbins Room

**Wednesday, December 21, 2016**

 Communications Committee Mtg, 10 a.m., CR

 Gentle YOGA, 5:00-6:00 pm, Fellowship Hall

 ~~Choir Rehearsal~~ <NO Choir Rehearsals in Dec>

 RENTAL-Just Guys, 6:30 pm, Fellowship Hall

 SGM (P. Lamb), 6:30 pm, DH (1st Floor)

**Thursday, December 22, 2016** <No meetings or events>

**Friday, December 23, 2016**

 Drum Circle, 6:00 pm, Sanctuary

**Saturday, December 24, 2016** <Christmas Eve>

 Christmas Eve and Hanukkah Services+,

 4:00 and 5:30 pm <See Upcoming Events>

+This Christmas Eve tradition will include two services. The early service at 4:00 pm will be specifically designed for families with young children. The second service at 5:30 p.m. will include the traditional of carols, readings and candle lighting. All ages are welcome at both services. Services will be led by Rev. Carie, Erica Long and Brigid Chapin.

**Sunday, December 25, 2016** <Christmas Day>

 Service 10:00 a.m. ONLY “Community Christmas”\*\*

 Worship Leader: Ida Gammon

\*\*Gather for a community Christmas service with Ida as she shares some memories from her childhood in the African Methodist Episcopal Church.

***Upcoming Events***

**Sunday, January 8th, SOCIAL ACTIVITY: Book Event with Maureen Milliken**

Book Event with mystery writer, Maureen Milliken, Maine Author of the Bernie O'Dea Mystery Series. "Bernie O'Dea" is a crime solver who thinks and acts like a journalist. Her latest book is titled "No news is Bad News". Milliken is a former journalist and reporter and more recently city editor of the Waterville Sentinel. She grew up in Augusta and when she was a teenager, she babysat for our UU minister in the 70's.

Milliken will talk about her books and writings, answer questions, as well as sign books that will be available for purchase. FMI: contact Cheryl Clukey.

**Saturday, January 14, 2017**, **LGBTQ [and all UU friends] Dance** with DJ Dan Plourd, Fellowship Hall, 7-10 p.m.

Refreshments available. Suggested donation: $10/pp.

**Saturday, January 28, 2017**, **Cabin Fever Book Sale**

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***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

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