

APRIL 2017



Welcoming Congregation

This Unitarian Universalist community welcomes and celebrates the presence and participation of people who identify as lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, and queer.



The First Universalist Society of Hartland

UNITARIAN UNIVERSALIST

Services & Religious Education Classes, Sundays, 10 am, in the Church

SUNDAY SERVICE SCHEDULE

APRIL 2 THE SPIRIT OF THE FOOL!

Celebrate April Fools' Day with some foolish worship. Wear foolish clothes (if you like), be ready for some silliness, as we shake the mud off our boots, the cold from our joints, and the winter cobwebs from our spirits and minds. The collection will benefit the West Windsor FAST Squad.

APRIL 9 THE IMPACT OF LITERATURE—SUE TAYLOR, WORSHIP COORDINATOR

A service reflecting on the importance of literature in our lives and its inspiration for our spirits. Sue Taylor will lead the service, and will be joined by a panel of local writers and teachers. The collection will benefit the Children's Literacy Foundation.

APRIL 13 MAUNDY THURSDAY AT THE FIRST CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH OF HARTLAND

Members of our congregation are invited to honor the Christian tradition of Maundy Thursday with communion and a Tenebrae service at the First Congregational Church of Hartland, with the Rev. Paul Sawyer assisting the Rev. Lucia Jackson in leading the service. Maundy Thursday is the day in Holy Week when the story says Jesus gathered with his disciples for the last time, shared a meal, and created the ritual of Holy Communion. The service of Tenebrae is a time of reflection, prayer, scripture, music, and light. Communion will be served, and all are welcome to participate in the service and communion, regardless of belief.

APRIL 16 EASTER SUNDAY

Come celebrate Easter, the joy of new life, and the miracle of resurrection. The collection will benefit Willing Hands. If you would like to attend a traditional Christian Easter sunrise service, we have been warmly invited to join the First Congregational Church of Hartland at their service at 6 am on the hill behind Mike's Mobil in Hartland Village.

APRIL 23 WORSHIP TEAM

This service will be led by our lay worship team. The collection will benefit an organization chosen by the worship leaders.

APRIL 30 ALL-AGES BELTANE/MAY DAY CELEBRATION

Come join us for this all-ages service as we honor the ancient festival of Beltane, and dance around the May Pole to celebrate this energetic multigenerational Earth-centered ritual of Spring. Our annual all-church clean-up will take place following the service! The collection will support The Upper Valley Trails Alliance.

LOVE IS THE DOCTRINE OF THIS CHURCH

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WEEKLY COLLECTION INFORMATION

WE DEDICATE OUR COLLECTIONS DURING SUNDAY MORNING WORSHIP TO ORGANIZATIONS DOING GOOD WORK IN OUR LOCAL COMMUNITIES OR IN SOCIETY AS A WHOLE.

We rely on the planned, committed, pledge support of our members and friends to support the needs of our church. We dedicate our collections during Sunday morning worship to organizations doing good work in our local communities or in society as a whole. Checks for the collection can be made out to "FUSH" and we will consolidate donations to pass on to the organization.

For those wishing to make a pledge payment, or a donation specifically to support our congregation's budget, there is a box on the welcoming table at the back of the sanctuary.

Please contact Paul if you have nominations for organizations you feel would be good choices for our support.

APRIL 2

THE WEST WINDSOR VOLUNTEER FAST SQUAD

The West Windsor Volunteer FAST (First Aid Stabilization Team) Squad provides emergency treatment and support for many of our friends, members, and neighbors in West Windsor/Brownsville. This is the next in a series of offerings to our local rescue squads, in an effort to connect with and support those doing effective and important work in our member communities. This idea was suggested by our own governing board member, Dan Poor, who served for several years on the Cornish Rescue Squad. You can speak with Dan or with Paul (who is also a former volunteer rescue squad member) for more information.

APRIL 9

THE CHILDREN'S LITERACY FOUNDATION

Based in Waterbury, VT, the Children's Literacy Foundation (CLiF) works "to inspire a love of reading and writing among low-income, at-risk, and rural children up to age 12 throughout New Hampshire and Vermont." Their work includes ongoing events and programs for children, extensive support for rural libraries, and a special effort to provide books for the children of inmates in New Hampshire and Vermont prisons, and literacy programs for prisoners and their families. For more information see their website at www.clifonline.org

APRIL 16

WILLING HANDS

Willing Hands was founded in 2005 by employees of the Hanover Food Co-op. Their mission is to keep food from going to waste by distributing fresh produce and other perishable items from 25 grocery stores, restaurants, and other providers to more than 50 social service agencies in our region, including our own Hartland Food Shelf, which takes place in our church every Friday morning. 95% of the food Willing Hands donates is fresh fruit and vegetables and all the food they distribute is given free of charge. For more information contact David Day, or www.willinghands.org.

APRIL 24

TBA

The collection will benefit an organization chosen by this week's worship leaders

APRIL 30

TURNING POINTS NETWORK

Based in Claremont, NH, Turning Points Network strives to end all forms of domestic abuse, sexual assault and stalking. Founded in 1977, Turning Points Network serves Sullivan County and surrounding areas and offers emergency shelters, education, support services, advocacy programs for children and victims of abuse. This collection is part of our effort to field a team to participate in the TPN "Steppin' Up to End Violence" march, taking place in Claremont on May 6. Our church member Pat Whitney serves as the chair of the board of directors of TPN, and Dianne Rochford has been actively involved in supporting this organization for many years. More information is available from Pat, Dianne, or at <http://www.turningpointsnetwork.org>



The wide universe
is the
ocean I travel
 & the Earth *is my*
 Blue Boat Home...

— Peter Mayer
 VISIT UUA.ORG/WORSHIP

2016 OFFERING RECIPIENTS

In our congregation, we work to support our financial needs through the regular pledges of our members and friends, and it is our honor to offer our collection each week, in its entirety, to support an organization doing good work in our region or in the wider world.

In 2016, our fourth full year dedicating our weekly offering to organizations doing good work in the wider world, we contributed more than \$12,000 to the 47 recipients listed below. Our average collection was just over \$250.

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| Black Lives Matter UU Fund | Kids4Peace VT/NH |
| The Center for Transformational Practice | Living Tradition Fund of the UUA |
| Circus Zambia | Lucy Mackenzie Humane Society |
| Connecticut River Watershed Council | Mandela Fellows at Dartmouth |
| COVER Home Repair | Minister's Discretionary Fund |
| Death with Dignity National Education Fund | Newport, NH Back Pack Nutrition Program |
| The Family Place | Oceti Sakowin Camp at Standing Rock, ND |
| First Universalist Church and Society of Barnard * | Peace Trees Vietnam |
| Flood Relief Fund of UU Baton Rouge | Reading-West Windsor Food Shelf |
| Friends of the Hartland Library | TLC Family Resource Center of Claremont |
| Good Beginnings of Upper Valley | Turning Points Network (two collections) |
| Good Neighbor Health Clinic | Upper Valley Cinderella Project |
| Hartford Dismas House (two collections) | Upper Valley Haven |
| Hartland 4-H Club | Upper Valley Silent Warriors |
| Hartland Christmas Project * | Upper Valley Trails Alliance |
| Hartland Churches Youth Mission Trip (two collections) * | UU Musicians Network Scholarship Fund |
| Hartland Community Connections | UU Service Committee |
| Hartland Community Arts | Vermont Interfaith Power & Light |
| Hartland Community Nurse Program | Vermont Peace and Justice Center |
| Hartland Cooperative Nursery School | Veterans for Peace |
| Hartland Hearts for PULSE/Orlando Quilt Project | West Windsor FAST Squad |
| International Council of Unitarians and
Universalists Burundi Appeal | Willing Hands |
| Junction Teen Center | WISE of the Upper Valley |
| | Zack's Place |

*Collections for the Youth Mission Trip were taken at joint services and given directly to the First Congregational Church of Hartland, which manages the fund for this purpose. The collection for the Hartland Christmas Project was taken at the First Congregational Church of Hartland. The collection for the Barnard Church was taken at their church.

ABOUT MEMBERSHIP

About Membership in the First Universalist Society of Hartland Four Corners

Our congregation is made up of both “members” and “friends,” with varying degrees of commitment to our work. Whether you formally join our congregation as a member, or whether you prefer to consider yourself a non-member “friend,” you are welcome and encouraged to participate actively in the life of our church community.

What it Means to Be a Member of Our Congregation

Members of our congregation are those who have made a formal commitment to our community by “signing the book”—declaring their commitment publicly by setting their signature to our book of membership, in consultation with our minister.

According to our by-laws, membership is available to all those over 18 years of age who:

- “State that they are in agreement with the purposes of our Society and of the Unitarian Universalist Association”
- Are willing to participate in the work and activity of our community
- Are willing to support our work with their time, energy, and resources

There is no set time frame or specific guideline about when you might choose to become a member, but we do ask you to spend some significant time learning about the mission, history, theology, practices, and culture of our congregation through regular attendance, through our “Introduction to Unitarian Universalism” sessions, and/or through conversations with our minister and other leaders of our community.

Members of our congregation can serve in volunteer leadership positions on our governing board, board of trustees, and our committee on ministry, and can vote in congregational meetings (please note that our by-laws require that to vote to amend our by-laws, or to call or dismiss a minister, an individual must have been an active member of the congregation for at least a full year).

Members are entitled to the services of the minister and the use of the church building for rites of passage (weddings, memorial services, child dedications, etc.) at no cost.

Members are formally considered “Unitarian Universalists” by the Unitarian Universalist Association, and receive *Unitarian Universalist World* magazine at no additional cost.

What it Means to Be a “Friend” of Our Congregation

Friends of our congregation are welcome to participate in nearly all aspects of the life of our church, including attending programs and services, serving on committees, leading lay-led worship, and, of course pledging to support our work financially.

They are not eligible to vote in congregational meetings, or to serve on our governing board, trustees, or committee on ministry. They can, however, serve in other leadership roles in church life, including serving as a champion of an activity.

“Active” Membership Status, Moving Away, and other Concerns

We ask members of our congregation to maintain their “active” status through ongoing participation and/or support of our congregation. Members who discontinue participation or support of our congregation, for whatever reason, may be listed in our records as “Inactive” and may need to reactivate their membership in order to vote or to hold a leadership position.

Even members that move out of town are welcome to remain as “active” members, through regular financial or other support and through making an effort to stay connected in some fashion with our congregation.

For those who move either to or from our region, it’s good to know that Unitarian Universalist tradition allows individuals to be members of more than one congregation, provided the member meets the requirements set forth by each congregation. Under the same stipulation, we are also open to members who continue to hold ongoing membership in communities identified with other faith traditions.

Youth who are active participants in our congregation are welcome to become members after their 18th birthday, and can be considered active members during their young adult years, even if their work or school commitments leave them unable to participate regularly in the life of our congregation. We do not have a formal “confirmation” program for our youth. Youth considering membership should speak with the minister.

7TH PRINCIPLE: RESPECT FOR THE INTERDEPENDENT WEB OF ALL EXISTENCE OF WHICH WE ARE A PART.

The Principles are not dogma or doctrine, but rather a guide for those of us who choose to join and participate in Unitarian Universalist religious communities.

SOCIAL ACTION CIRCLE

The new FUSH Social Action Circle has been sponsoring gatherings after church throughout the winter to provide opportunities to discuss and share concerns about our shared regional and national future. The initial gathering took place on Nov. 13, at which we shared our stories and a potluck lunch. The next gathering was on Jan. 15, just prior to the US Presidential inauguration. Breakout discussions focused on local decision making. A special guest, VT Windsor Co. Senator Alison Clarkson briefed us on upcoming debates in the VT Legislature.

The third gathering was on Feb. 26, which featured another great lunch followed by a talk by Vermont Lt. Governor David Zuckerman about the Next Generation of Leadership. An open discussion was led by Becca White along with three local young community leaders. About 70 people attended and conversation was brisk. An excellent review followed on the front page of the Vermont Standard. Anyone interested in reading that article please visit our web page, which can be found on the Church home page under Happenings, then choose Archives or contact us at 802 738-0102.

We are planning another gathering on May 7 after Church. The focus will be on Climate Action. There will be Climate Marches in DC and around our region on April 29 which many of our members will attend. On May 7 we will once again have a potluck lunch followed by reports from those who attended any of the Marches. Open discussion will follow. Please plan to attend and support this program.

Goals of FUSH Action include support for our members in their individual social action work and documentation of the social action history of our Church (see web site for more). If you have or know of examples of members who have participated in actions in the past please contact us. Once again, use the Social Action web page which can be found under Happenings on the Church Homepage and go to the Contact page to submit your information. Thanks.

**“FALSEHOOD IS COWARDICE,
THE TRUTH COURAGE.”**

—Hosea Ballou

DEADLINE FOR MAY NEWSLETTER CONTENT: MAY 15

If you have photos of people or places in our church community, please send them to saradmorin@gmail.com for possible inclusion in the newsletter.

The Death of the Hired Man

By Robert Frost





PHOTOS FROM THE 4TH ANNUAL HARTLAND COMMUNITY PROM



YOUTH GROUP NOTES

Our congregation offers activities for youth in grades 7-12 (or the homeschool equivalent) through two youth groups—the **Junior Youth Group, for those in grades 7 & 8**, and the **Senior Youth Group for high school students**. Both groups are offered in conjunction with our friends and neighbors from the Hartland Congregational Church, and are led by the Rev. Lucia Jackson, The Rev. Paul Sawyer, and David Morin.

Both groups offer fun, fellowship, games, and a youth-centered exploration and development of faith. We gather to support one another, to have a good time, and to think about some of the big questions of life in a safe environment. We have regular meetings with activities, time to check in, reflection, and games. We also offer special events throughout the year including service opportunities, fundraising brunches at both churches, trips to Dartmouth sporting events, game nights, and, for senior youth, our annual week-long mission trip to New Haven, CT in July.

If you've been involved with our youth groups or if you've got someone just entering our youth group age, and you've been involved with our Religious Education Program for children, you should receive a full calendar and further information by US mail (old school!) soon. If you are a youth in our community, or if you know someone who you think would like to be involved, make sure we've got your information so we can keep you in the loop.

For further information about our youth groups and youth events, please contact Paul or Lucia. To stay in touch with youth group happenings, make sure that Paul and Lucia have your e-mail address, follow the youth group Facebook page, keep an eye on the newsletters and weekly e-mail updates of both churches, or better yet, come to church and read the bulletin.



APRIL–MAY 2017

Please note the youth schedule copied below with the important Mission Trip dates highlighted – Brunch on April 2nd, sign up deadline on April 9th and the Mandatory logistics meeting on May 21st at 6:00 at the UU.

APRIL 2—9:00 AM–1:00 PM—MISSION TRIP FUNDRAISER BRUNCH AT THE UU CHURCH

APRIL 2—4:00-6:15 PM—7-9 OWL AT THE UCC CHURCH

APRIL 9—4:00-6:15 PM—7-9 OWL AT THE UCC CHURCH SNOW MAKE-UP DAY (OR REGULAR JUNIOR YOUTH MEETING 5-6:15 PM)

APRIL 9—6:30-8 PM—SENIOR YOUTH AT THE UCC CHURCH MISSION TRIP COMMITMENT AND \$100 DUE TO LUCIA! MISSION TRIP PAPERWORK WILL BE AVAILABLE.

APRIL 30—YOUTH GROUP MEETINGS AT THE UU CHURCH—JR. 5-6:15 PM, SR. 6:30-8 PM

MAY 7—YOUTH GROUP MEETINGS AT THE UU CHURCH—JR. 5-6:15 PM, SR. 6:30-8 PM

MAY 21—5-6:00 PM—LAST JUNIOR YOUTH AT THE UU CHURCH

MAY 21—6:00 PM—AT THE UU CHURCH—MISSION TRIP LOGISTICS MEETING—ALL PAPERWORK DUE

MAY 21—6:30-8:00 PM—LAST SENIOR YOUTH AT THE UU CHURCH

SAVE THE DATES: THIS YEAR'S MISSION TRIP WILL TAKE PLACE JULY 23–30, 2017!

SOME GUIDELINES FOR CANDLES OF JOY AND SORROW

Our Candles of Joy and Sorrow are an important aspect of our worship in our congregation. As such, it's worth spending some energy from time to time thinking about how to make them meaningful and connecting.

There is a lot of latitude as to what is appropriate to share during Joys and Sorrows, and I certainly don't want to discourage you from lighting candles when the spirit moves you. Also, I firmly believe that Candles of Joy and Sorrow belong to you—to the congregation—and that they are not mine to limit or control except perhaps in extreme circumstances.

Still, there are some good general guidelines for Joys and Sorrows, and I invite you to work with me to keep those guidelines in all of our thoughts as we experience this time each week:

- First and always, simply remember that lighting a candle is a form of prayer, and in that time, *please offer only something that is worthy of a prayer.*
- *In all cases, short and general is better than long and detailed—particularly in the cause of surgeries or injuries!*
- *Don't light a candle for someone else unless they ask you to, or unless you get permission from them to do so.* Offer what comes from the joys and sorrows of your own heart and your own life. Watch the line between prayer and gossip.
- It is ok to light a candle silently, if you prefer.
- Candles aren't time for announcements. If you have an announcement that you feel wasn't covered appropriately in announcement time, don't make it during candles. You are welcome to make announcements during coffee hour.
- Notice that we consciously use language of "joys and sorrows" and not "joys and concerns." That's a reminder that not everything that is "concerning" rises to the level of sharing for this time.
- *Avoid purely political reflection, especially if you feel you need to explain a position in detail—though lighting a candle and briefly noting a cause that brings you joy or sorrow personally is generally fine.* If you have a political cause you want to express in more depth, speak with me and, if appropriate, we'll find a way to get your information out to the congregation.
- *Remember that our candles are a time for all ages.* We believe that our children should know about the world and about what brings us joy and sorrow, but it's good to keep your language and your descriptions appropriate for all.
- Also, honoring that this is a multigenerational time—give extra leeway to children, as to what brings them joy or sorrow. Don't be quick to declare something a child says as trivial. Remember being that age and what truly mattered to you. And if you happen to be one of those with relatively low tolerance for children, at least notice that our children, whatever they're sharing, are generally very good about being brief. And remember, too, that some of our most poignant candles ever have been brought by our children.
- If you have questions about what is appropriate, or how to offer feedback to someone who you feel has overstepped one or more of these lines, please let me know!

In faith and love,

Paul

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RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NOTES

SAM CRONIN

APRIL 2017

April Showers Us New Opportunities

Spring optimistically dances in on the breeze; at just the right moment. Gracefully and with a bit of humor, she finds a balanced composure with fresh legs, rested during Winter months. The new season stretches, facing the Sun, as the land expands with warmth- opening up in many forms. Feathered friends sing out with no fear of the cycle of change! Cleansing teardrop rain streams down stoic earthen slopes. Grateful for the glorious mud- pools full of creative force. The visceral clay beckons us to play and splash forth on this journey, with the spirit of a child. Despite the messy nature of it all- new paths are ready to be made!

Rooted in faith may we sow Vernal Equinox intentions and hold sacred space in which these seeds of wisdom, that come from within, May blossom. Nurturing and admiring growth- transitions abound!

Our Religious Education program is an ever evolving creation and I am happy to announce some good news here:

RE Circle is Expanding!

Our RE Circle is transforming in an effort to welcome new members to our program planning. We have arranged for three meeting times during the 1st week of every month.

Sunday after service (during coffee hour) in the Fellowship Hall.

Tuesday from 11AM-noon in the yUUrT.

Wednesday from 5:30-6:30 PM potluck dinner in the Fellowship Hall.

This month our meeting dates are April 2nd, April 4th, and April 5th.

Members of the RE Circle are encouraged to join in at least one of the meetings. We will be holding three meetings to be flexible in time and structure, so that all who are interested may join in on the fun of co-creating our RE program. And as always, you can always reach us by phone or email or in person on Sunday to share ideas!

Holistic Wellness is Education!

In response to many congregation members asking when I teach yoga and where they can receive holistic wellness services in the Upper Valley, we have decided to form a community group that partners with our RE program. One Heart Wellness Community (OHWC) is a grassroots organization of holistic practitioners forming in the "heart"

of Hartland, VT. The mission of OHWC is to offer wellness services to the community, by the community. Some of the current offerings include yoga, acupuncture, and holistic wellness consults. Please send inquiries to oneheartwc@gmail.com.

Hero's Journey Club for After School Explorers!

The children and I have been brainstorming and are looking to put our plans into action as soon as possible. Since we all had so much fun prepping for the Winterim play, on that one Thursday afternoon in early March, we would like to start holding regular after school meetings beginning in April.

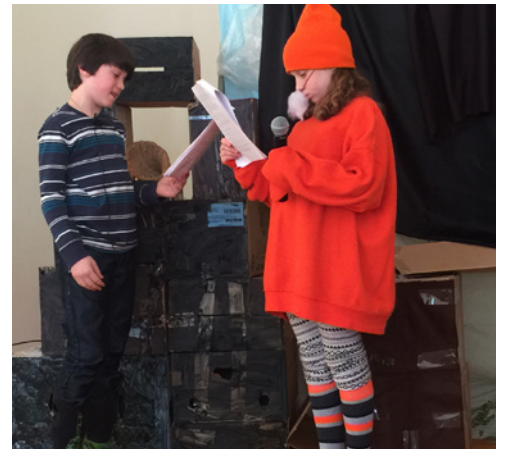
Our first meeting of the Hero's Journey Club will be on Thursday, April 6th from 3-5 PM

We will all meet in the yUUrT between 3-3:30 PM and begin by sharing snacks and thoughts about our day. When everyone has arrived we will dive into some activities similar to our Sunday meetings. The children have made an awesome visual web of ideas in the categories of Art, Music, Dance, Nature Exploration, Literary Discussions, Board games, Foreign Language, Drama, and our community Roots & Shoots Project.

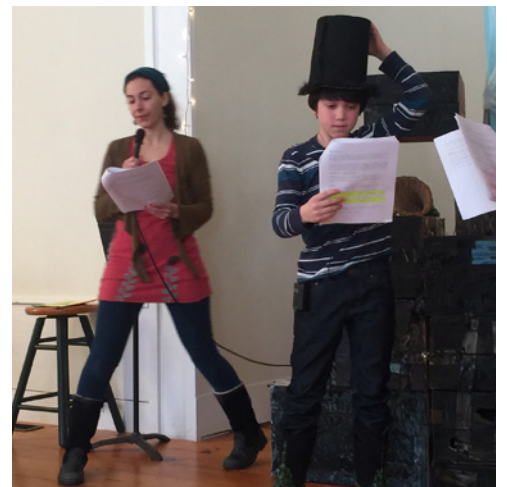
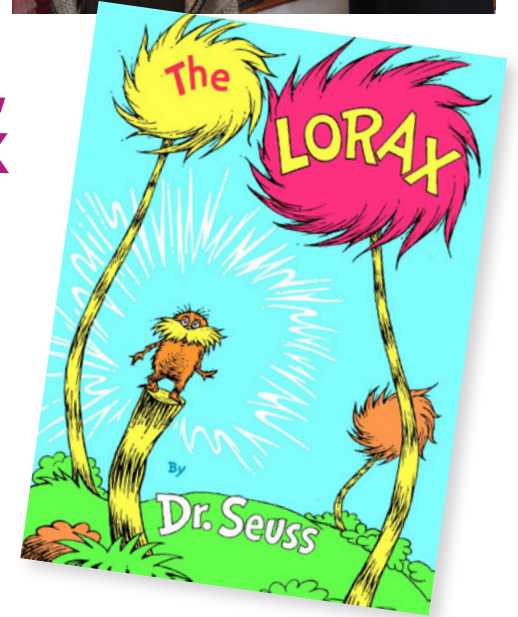
We are really looking forward to this opportunity to spend more time with the children and keep our conversation and connection going through the week. Often times we meet on Sunday and just get into some fun creative stuff when service ends!

Our Children's RE program this April:

- 📅 Sunday, April 2nd- In Service (April Fool's Fun)
- 📅 Thursday, April 6th- Hero's Journey Club (Garden Planning)
- 📅 Saturday, April 8th- Seder Dinner (Children play a big role here!)
- 📅 Sunday, April 9th- Children's Chapel (Passover)
- 📅 Thursday, April 13th- Hero's Journey Club (Clay Creations)
- 📅 Sunday, April 16th- Spirit Play (Easter)
- 📅 Thursday, April 20th- Hero's Journey Club (Song Writing)
- 📅 Sunday, April 23rd- Be Peace (Earth Day Celebration)
- 📅 Thursday, April 27th- Hero's Journey Club (Clean Up, Clean up!)
- 📅 Sunday, April 30th- Faith in Action (Beltane & May Day Celebration)



PHOTOS FROM THE WINTERIM PLAY, THE LORAX



CONVERSATION CIRCLE

You are warmly invited to participate in the

CONVERSATION CIRCLE (A NEW COMMUNITY-BUILDING DIALOGUE)

Wednesday, April 12, 7-8:30 pm Hartland Public Library

EVERYONE IS WELCOME

Co-sponsored by FUSH Social Action Group and the Hartland Library

In this time of social division, turmoil, and confusion, where it has become difficult for people to communicate in a caring and constructive way, the Conversation Circle is an alternative approach to talking with each other, for the purpose of learning, understanding, empathizing, connecting with each other, building bridges, and strengthening community.

The Conversation Circle is a structured and facilitated conversation among a small group of people (maximum 8 people) with a variety of viewpoints and perspectives. In a Conversation Circle, each person shares their views, perceptions, experiences, hopes, and concerns around a topic of interest, without interruption, rebuttal, or feedback. It is not a lecture or debate where people get on their soapbox and try to convince others, nor is it a meeting to make decisions or reach agreement. Rather, the Conversation Circle is an open get-together where people listen respectfully to each other, with an attitude of open-mindedness, curiosity, appreciation, and acceptance. This opens the door for greater connection, common ground, and collaboration to address community needs, challenges, and goals.

We will have as many 8-person circles as needed, based on how many people come on April 12. Depending on interest, we hope to have Conversation Circles twice monthly at the Library

For RSVP or more info, contact Gary Shapiro - gshapcrc@sover.net or phone 802-229-1165

CIRCLE DINNERS

APRIL

Circle Dinner
Friday, April 14 6:30 PM
Rickey and Dan Poor
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Circle Dinner
Saturday, April 22
Mariet and Robert Jaarsma
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603:675-6622
rmjaars@gmail.com

Any questions? Contact Sue and Dave Taylor at dstaylor342@gmail.com or 603:675-6566

MAY

Circle Dinner
Saturday, May 6 at 6:00 PM
Helen Miller and Gary Shapiro
1643 Hammond Hill Rd.
West Windsor, VT. 005089
802: 477-3845
hmiller05156@yahoo.com

Circle Dinner
Saturday, May 27 at 6:00PM
Pat Whitney and Dianne Rochford
4 Samoset Rd.
Sunapee, NH
patwhitney00@gmail.com
kilrush@myfairpoint.net

SPRING CLEAN-UP

Sunday, April 30th following the annual May Day dance around the maypole!

Stay after church to clean up the grounds, rake the leaves, pick up branches and rake out the ruts left from mud season. If outdoor work doesn't appeal, there will be inside jobs as well. When work is done, there will be a tasty lunch to enjoy.

So mark your calendar and come to spruce up our church yard and interior.

Bring rakes, trimmers, gloves, wheelbarrows, etc. See you there.



FUND RAISING NEWS & EVENTS

SAVE THE DATE—JOIN THE TEAM

On Saturday, May 6th, our 'sUuper trUuper team' will again be part of the Turning Points Network "WALK and FUN RUN TO END VIOLENCE".

Turning Points is an agency which assists those who are survivors of domestic or sexual violence, and works with schools to help children form healthy relationships with others and "build a safer culture in schools".

This event is a great way to build our community and at the same time raise needed funds to support an agency doing great work.

Come walk, run or stroll with the 'sUuper trUupers.

See Dianne Rochford or Joan Fariel for more information.



RUMMAGE SALE

Clean out your cupboards, Clean out your closets. Bring your unwanted items to the Rummage Sale. Bring them to the Ladies Aid Hall on Friday am 8 - 2 or Sunday after church. You could also call 436-2336 to set up a special time for you to leave them off. The Rummage Sale will take place at the Ladies Aid Hall April 28th Friday 9 am - 6pm and Sat. April 29th 9am - 3pm
If you can help setting this up contact Nada Pierce, Mary Estey or Ruth Quimby.



THE RED APRONS

Red Aprons provides support for all kinds of gatherings. Our services include:

- Event Planning
- Kitchen and food management
- Buffet and serving
- Clean up

Be a guest at your own party

The program is not only a fund raiser for the Church but also a great way to

promote it to the wider Upper Valley community.

If you are planning an event, please see our web page at www.hartlanduu.com/redaprons or call us at (802) 738-0255.

If you would like to participate in this work, please contact Joan Fariel or Chuck Fenton at (802) 738-0255. **We always need more volunteers.** And for those who have volunteered, **a BIG THANK YOU!**



The UUA has many pieces of art available for your use on social media, on signs, or just to hang in your home.
See these and others at uua.org/images

IN THIS CONGREGATION, WE BELIEVE:

LOVE IS LOVE

BLACK LIVES MATTER

CLIMATE CHANGE IS REAL

NO HUMAN BEING IS ILLEGAL

ALL GENDERS ARE WHOLE, HOLY, & GOOD

WOMEN HAVE AGENCY OVER THEIR BODIES



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Be welcome and at ease, beloved friends!

APRIL 2017 CALENDAR

02	SUN	9:15 am 10 am 11:15am 4-6:15 pm	Mission Trip Youth—Brunch Set-up Worship and Children’s Religious Education Spirit of the Fool! Brunch in the Fellowship Hall to Benefit the Youth Mission Trip Grade 7-9 OWL at the UCC Church—Final Session!
07	FRI	8-10 am	Food Shelf
08	SAT	5 pm	Inclusive Passover Seder in the Fellowship Hall
09	SUN	9 am 10 am 5-6:15 pm 6:30-8 pm	Choir Rehearsal Worship and Children’s Religious Education Literature and Spirit Junior Youth Group at the UCC Church Senior Youth Group at the UCC Church
12	WED	7-8:30 pm	Social Action Conversation Circle at the Hartland Public Library
13	THU	7 pm	UCC Maundy Thursday Tenebrae Service at FCCH—UU’s welcome
14	FRI	8-10 am 6:30 pm	Food Shelf Circle Supper at Dan & Rickey Poor’s Home in Cornish
16	SUN	6 am 9 am 10 am	UCC Easter Sunrise Service, Hammond’s Hill in Hartland Village—UU’s welcome Choir Rehearsal Worship and Children’s RE—Easter Sunday
21	FRI	8-10 am	Food Shelf
21-22	FRI-SAT		UUA New England Regional Assembly, Woburn, MA
22	SAT	Evening	Circle Supper at Rob and Mariet Jaarsma’s Home in Cornish
23	SUN	10 am	Worship and Children’s RE—Worship Team
28	FRI	8-10 am	Food Shelf
30	SUN	10 am 11:15am 5-6:15 pm 6:30-8 pm	10 am Beltane/May-Day All-Ages Service Rev. Paul Sawyer All Church Spring Clean-Up Day! Junior Youth Group at our Church Senior Youth Group at our Church

