USH E-News
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"Nourishing Spirits
Building Community,
Working for Justice"

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E-News Redesired Summer Publication Schedule:

During summertime, we cut back on our publication schedule, with summertime publications only occasionally falling a break. Here is our list of planned "release dates" through August:

June 15
July 13, 27
August 31, 2

Weekly publication will resume **September 7.** Please note that the shortened schedule applies only to the **USH E-News**. Worship Reminders and Orders of Service will continue to be available each week.

Have a great summer... breathe, and relax!

Tina and Karolina

Mission
Monday 9:30 - 12:30
Friday 9:30 - 12:30
or by appointment
Call Tina for an appointment

Office Hours
Monday 9:30 - 12:30
10:30 - 12:30
Tuesday 9:30 - 2:30
Wednesday 9:30 - 12:30

Sunday Morning Service
June 13, 10:30

Flower Communion:
"Maybe, Grow"

In-situ, life presents us with an opportunity to grow, or this inspirational, family-friendly service, we celebrate the joy, the pain, the challenges, and the opportunities to grow. This is a flower communion service... please, if you wish, bring a flower or flowers to share, and you'll take a different flower home.

Rev. Bob Zanin, Minister
Michael Michaud, Worship Associate
Karen Kaminski, Worship Associate
Sarah McKenzie, Soprano

Virtuoso organist **Christopher Houlihan** returns as guest musician for our Flower Communion service. This is the fifth consecutive year that he has been our guest musician and we are both fortunate and grateful. A graduate of Trinity College, Christopher has held the John Rose College Organist position at Christ Episcopal Church in Rocky River, Ohio since 1987. He has performed throughout the United States, most recently at St. John the Divine in New York City. In 2019 he was the Guest Organist for the Cincinnati Pops, a distinguished list of young leaders in the organ world.

Sarah McKenzie, Soprano
Sarah McKenzie returns to sing as part of a duet across New England and in Austria, the soulful soprano and duet music under Dr. David Schwoen (retired) at the University of Hartford. Sarah is a member of the Choir of the Church of West Hartford on Prex Street, and she and her family have been members of the Unitarian Society of Hartford

since 2003.

Can't be here in person for worship?
Join us online via Zoom:
Meeting ID: 922 4388 7924
Passcode: 1Maybe@

Virtual Coffee Hour to follow
https://meet.jit.si/Coffee-Hour-at-noon

Worship is also streamed on Facebook - follow our page and receive notifications every time we go live. 2021 Services

Upcoming Worship Services, 10:30 a.m.

June 19, 11 a.m. - "Revolution Begins With Dream", General Assembly Sunday Morning Worship led by Rev. Stephen Kendall, Rev. Bob Zanin, Minister, Michael Michaud, Rich Boeding, General Assembly Worship Team, Karen Kaminski, Worship Associate

June 26 - "Living Into Daily Curiosity", *Matt Meyers, Pulpit Guest and Guest Musician/Sue Sandvik, Worship Associate.*

Message from Rev. Bob...

June is full of busy Sundays here at USH. You may have been in our annual meeting on June 5th, or you may have been at our Pride Parade on June 11th. We were thrilled to be joined by a few of our neighbors at The Village Inn. It's so good to break bread together.

But the fun doesn't stop there. Sunday, June 19, is our annual "Flower Communion" service. This is a time when we celebrate our joy, our pain, our sense of smallness of community. You're welcome, if you wish, to bring flowers to share. You'll take one home as well!

I'm reminded of the song "Bread and Roses", popularized in the suffrage movement. Bread is important, but sometimes, roses are as important. This can keep us going through times. And is often the heart of the good times, too. See you on Sunday!

Yours sincerely,
Rev. Bob

USH General Interest

Thanks to everyone for all your help stuffing our view photo, Clip service, Special thanks to John Bergeron and Kevin Gionnard for gifting the Unitarian Society of Hartford with a new Clip service. Also, thanks to Paul over our attendees including, in alphabetical order, Bob Bergeron, Bob Gilpin the Hamilton and Cribbens. The kids had a good time and enjoyed great food. They'd welcome invitations to join us at future events.

The USH Hiking Group met this past Sunday to hike at the Simsbury Land Trust property near the Hazard School in Simsbury.

LAST CALL!

Open Invitation for Art from Members and Friends
Deadline: June 15, 2022

Join the Summerfest 22!

All USH members and friends are invited to participate in a non-juried show of paintings, photography and collage for a congregation-wide exhibit. **YOU WILL WANT TO JOIN!** No sweat if you've never showed your work before. Do we have about an contribution for our annual show!

Bring your contribution by June 15 to Sunrise (next to the office). Send an email to office@ushartford.org if you have questions.

Your art piece should be clearly marked for how it is to be hung with the artist's name, a small, and telephone number. Mark your work for sale if you wish, 50% goes to USH and is tax deductible.

We will hang the show on July 1 and it will remain up through the end of August. We will have a reception on August 7 to celebrate our artists with opportunity for June 15, this email address is **marryandlee@gmail.com**.

Building Community through Storytelling - Sunday, June 26

As the play, *Homelessness*, a song entitled Who Lives, Who Dies, Who Tells the Story, Sondheim's Company has a bizarre connection people and the stories others tell. Sunday, June 26, we will explore how we can to shape the agendas of a person's life.

On June 26 at noon in Classroom 1, take the opportunity to participate in a facilitated discussion session, sharing a bit about the course of events you are and hearing about others' lives journeys. This 75 minute sharing of stories is an opportunity to connect with others, to learn about others' lives, and to be attentive beyond the light talk of coffee hour.

The goal? To get to know each other better, building a stronger sense of community. It is an opportunity to grow a connection between long-time members and newcomers. It is an opportunity to be a part of a community that is attentive and listens and has opted to check in after a long stint away. Each person's story is important, and the stories we share together can be powerful, every bit shaping and sharing our stories and sharing this friendship session. *No crumbs will be always, the group size will be limited to 20 participants.* Please let Rev. Bob know you are planning to join us, by June 19, at the latest, at pastorbobzanin@gmail.com. If the remote/Zoom, storytelling session will be offered again beginning in September.

Youth Board's first will meet **Friday June 24, 7:30 p.m.** in the Fellowship Hall. Pizza will be served. Youth are welcome!

Hour of 10 which have the kind of unfortunate cuts and sudent creativity that working with your hands can offer. This is a great opportunity for youth to be with their friends and work on an project together. Bring your knitting, crochet work, sewing, quilting, hooking, yarn kind of handwork you want to work on. Bring your own lunch and we will provide the snacks. There will always be available supplies in our Blue Room if you want to start a new project, or try something different.

If you are not a crafter but would love the camaraderie and the chance to meet new friends, you are very welcome. Contact Deanna for more information.

Pizza and Movie Night
Friday, June 13, 5 - 9 p.m.

Join us for an evening of conversation, pizza, salad, and a movie in our Fellowship Hall. Bring your favorite movie. The June movie will be **THE WILD ROBOT.**

Sign up and get your during Coffee Hour at the Caring Table, or contact **Jordan Nowicki**. We will provide pizza, salad, dessert, and beverages. Feel free to bring your own beer or wine. If that's your preference. We ship this, we for light snacks.

General Assembly
Sunday Morning Worship

"Revolution Begins With A Dream"
Rev. Stephen Kendall, Presiding
June 20, 2022, at 10:00 a.m. - 11:30 p.m.
A powerful and universal experience - the heart of Unitarian Universalism - the Sunday Morning Worship.

Rev. Dr. Stephen L. Kendall is the first Dr. of Ministry and 1st Schulman Chair of Unitarian Universalist History at Meadville Lombard Theological School, the oldest liberal American religious history. Has served 13 congregations in Ohio and New Jersey and is currently the Program Minister (part time) at the First Unitarian Church of Cincinnati. Stephen is also chair of the Meadville Lombard faculty in ones after serving eight years in the parish and earning his Ph.D. at Princeton Theological Seminary. Stephen's teaching and writing focus on the ways in which religion shapes the emotionally and early twentieth centuries. Dr. Kendall's publications include Shannon's Footsteps: The Business of Religion in 19 Jones Department Stores and Twin Universals Press, 2008, 2010 and several academic volumes.

Dr. Kirk enjoys solving students and assisting them in discovering their "calling" in life. Stephen is also involved with many of Meadville Lombard's international partners in Romania, Hungary, and Transylvania. In 2013, the Religious Society of Czech Unitarians gave Dr. Kirk the Jan Hus Medal for his work in Eastern Europe. Stephen is a grite lecturer and sermon across the United States and internationally.

Click here to view the Order of Service

Ways to watch the GA Service:
- At USH in the Sanctuary hosted by Rev. Bob
- Online at home: Click here for the UUA Live Stream Link

The worship celebration for the GA Service benefits **Hide with Love**, including its programs and services for homeless families and youth, including its Youth Shelter and healthy solutions, including equivalents, LGBTQ+ youth, and Youth Leaders (UPLIFT Action). Your gift to the Ride with Love publication supports all this essential work.

USH Picnic and The Village 2023

Last Sunday, USH welcomed 50 children and their chaperones from The Village for Families & Children to our annual picnic. Thanks to our team on our front pilocarpe and Rev. Anne Swift. Fellowship Hall is our wonderful picnic. The food was terrific, the company friendly and a great time was had by all.

Jennifer Tennyck, Senior Program Director of Eight Homes (one of the residential facilities at The Village) wrote to me in an email: "It seems the kids did well and had a great time. Thanks again for the invite!

It was very rewarding to see the kids in together. I certainly enjoyed it, and I know the kids did too. Some of the kids in the residential program are donated time and food to make the picnic a success.

I hope that there will be more opportunities in the future to be with our next door neighbors.

Thank you for being a supportive, safe community for children who have few chances to be in such a welcoming place.

- Joanne Orlando.

Candlelight Concerts

Our first Candlelight Concert takes place on July 31 in Fellowship Hall. We need some volunteer staff to assist with a few simple tasks before, during, and after the concert. Tasks are limited to ushering, greeting people at the door, and helping with the refreshments. If you have any questions, please reach out to the church office.

Purchase Concert Tickets Here

Volunteer at Concert Staff - Signup Here

Soiat Justice

USH joins the *Universalist Church of West Hartford* in Connecticut's largest PRIDE celebration.

USH JUNE GOOD NEIGHBOR OFFERING

Internal House was formed in 1977 and has grown into a comprehensive domestic violence agency serving Hartford County. Internal House agency provides compassionate and confidential 24 hour hotline response, safety planning, crisis counseling, emergency safe housing, support groups, advocacy, and legal services. Internal House also offers 24 hour emergency shelter, transitional housing, and community education. Yet, all we can, They are the largest non-profit domestic violence intervention and prevention agency in our state, serving about 1,500 victims of domestic violence each year.

Horace Bushnell Food Pantry News

Every week Uliving your gifts of food and money to the Horace Bushnell Food Pantry in East Hartford. Thanks to the Bushnell Volunteers, Jim and Jackie Jellison. Know that they are always in our hearts and in our minds.

In gratitude,

Diana Hayunga

NO KINGS: Hartford Rally
Saturday, June 14
Noon - 2:00 p.m.
Old Connecticut State Capital
Capitol Avenue
Corner of Capitol Avenue and Trinity Street

mailing subscribe@justice@gmail.com

About this rally :
In America, we don't put up with would-be kings.
Our democracy is being tested by authoritarian tendencies, in response to increasing authoritarian concern and corruption in America's history. We watched crack down on free speech, dismantlements of people for expressing, protesting, and the rule of law being undermined by a president who

On June 14, we're showing up everywhere we can — in way too many theaters, on streets, on bikes.
Check out **nokings.org** for more information.

A non-principal behavior of No Kings events is a commitment to nonviolent protest, and we encourage participants to avoid confrontation with those who disagree with our values. Rallies are volunteer organized.

Save the Date!
Saturday, June 11
Noon - 2:00 p.m.
West Hartford Town Hall

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Religious Exploration

NO R.E. ON SUNDAY, THANKS TO ANSWERED STONES: *St. Ecclesiast!* Thanks to Rev. Bob, Karen Kaminski, Sarah McKenzie, Michael Michaud, and Rich Boeding for a wonderful, fun, and very fulfilling service last Sunday, June 5, with our Stone Ceremony. Special thanks to Ashwini Bose for teaching the Wonderfulness of Stones!

SUNDAY, JUNE 19 - FATHER'S DAY - NO R.E. CLASSES FOR THE YUCA ADVENTURE, ADDITIONS ALTAR: *Mr. Mr.* Joyce Kim is scheduled to lead the Adult Group (Alison McDonald, Elisa Ben, Leila Bitterer) attending the YUA Adventure Day at Dinosaur Park in Rocky Hill. The Youth Group will join the YUA/WH Youth Group. If you don't know or what YUA/WH is, it's a group that we have been in Hartford, locally earlier this year. Google it or contact Rev. Bob.

LAKE COMPOUNCE TIME BY DAYS: June 26 and July 17: Meet at the USH RE Hut at Lake Compounce if weather may allow or Rev. Bob's Lake Compounce Season Pass is good for 2 people. Bring your own lunch, snacks, and beverages. Rev. Bob will be there with his Season Pass. Rain or shine, we will have a great time. Rain or shine, we will have a great time. Rain or shine, we will have a great time