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Journeying Together

Dr. Rev. Michelle Collins

Shorthand is useful. It's useful in notes that we take and in things that we say or write to share with others who know our shorthand. It's useful, except when it's not.

When commuting in urban areas and listening to the traffic reports, one is often hit with code names for everything rather than place names. And I admit to a great deal of confusion trying to keep up with the code names for each of the fires throughout the state, both ones ongoing as well as past ones who might be named to reference a current location. And there are a ton of town names and landmarks that folks will use to describe where things are that are akin to speaking in Greek to newcomers to the area.

Our congregation has lots of acronyms and insider lingo as well. RE, LFDC, WOWS, CCISCO, GA, and CT. And plenty of things in reference to our history and our building – I've been corrected rather gruffly more than a time or two for misnaming a region of the church building or property (is it the terrace or the patio – I still get that

one mixed up). UUism as a whole is swimming in acronyms! You can see one collection of them here (<http://www.uuma.org/?page=soup>).

Now there are certainly some good reasons to use shorthand for things. RE is a lot shorter than saying our religious exploration or education program. And callbacks to artifacts and moments from our history strengthen to our sense of identity and reminds us of favorite parts of a beloved building. But insider lingo also leaves new folks out of the conversation. I want to challenge every one of us to remember that there are new folks coming to many of our programs and in worship every single Sunday, and to watch our language, I mean to watch our insider language. It's one of many things that we can do to be welcoming. Let's work on keeping this in mind, not just this month, but all year long.

Blessings,

Rev. Michelle

Definitions of insider lingo mentioned in this column:

RE – religious education

LFDC – Literature, Film and Drama Contingent

WOWS – Whites Opposing White Supremacy

CCISCO – Contra Costa Interfaith Supporting Community Organization

GA – General Assembly (an annual national gathering of Unitarian Universalists)

CT – Coordinating Team

Sunday Services in October

[Facebook Live](#) and [YouTube Live](#), 11 am on Sundays

Theme for October: Deep Listening

October 4 – Deep Listening & Deep Hearing. Rev. Michelle Collins; Sarah Ward, WA. What does it mean to listen to someone else, to really listen to them? What does it take to hear them, to really hear them? In a world filled with noise and distractions, sometimes it takes remembering and focusing on listening and being there for one another, hearing what they might really be saying under so often said, “I’m fine.” We’ll explore these today.

October 11 – How Do UUs Pray? Rev. Michelle Collins; Karen Elliott, WA, with Lonnie Moseley, Guest Reflection. Given that Unitarian Universalists come from a wide variety of religious traditions (or none at all) and have a wide variety of different spiritual practices, it makes perfect sense to wonder what are the different ways that UUs pray, or if they pray at all. Today we’ll explore these wondering and take part in a UU prayer practice together.

October 18 – Family and Faith - Building Lifelong Spiritual Practices at Home. Catherine Boyle, preaching; Deborah Schmidt, WA. With the pandemic changing

the landscape, how the spiritual practices with our loved homes leads to resilience and hope. We explore the myriad of practices beyond prayer and meditation at home for the youngest to the oldest members of a family and home.

October 25 – We Covenant With One Another... Rev. Michelle Collins; Cynthia Asprodites, WA. We are a congregation full of human beings. Now that might seem like a ridiculous statement to make because it's quite an obvious one. We are a group of human beings. Now, we like being with one another and working together and doing church together, but since we're a bunch of human beings, we're also not perfect at any of that and certainly run into bumps and potholes from time to time. That's why we have our Covenant of Right Relations, to remind us of our hopes and intentions for our relationships. Today we'll engage with what it means for how we relate to one another, and what it means for our continuing commitment to our congregation.

Virtual Coffee Hour immediately following worship on Sundays

After worship we invite you to switch over to Zoom for a time to connect "face to face." The link to Virtual Coffee Hour is listed below, but we will also share it in the comments on the Facebook Live feed during worship. Use the following information to join us:

<p style="text-align: center;">Online</p> <p style="text-align: center;">https://zoom.us/j/332046821</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Meeting ID: 332 046 821 Password: 810131</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Telephone</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Dial 669 900 6833</p>
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Vespers in October

Wednesdays 6:00pm Social Time, 6:20 pm Start Time

Zoom

Join us for our mid-week online vespers services. The 30-minute Wednesday evening service will provide a time for us to gather together to experience moments of reflection, prayer and song, grounded in our UU faith.

Click [this link](#) to join us
Meeting ID: 830 5378 2422
Passcode: chalice

Good Neighbor for October:

[Greater Richmond Interfaith Project \(GRIP\)](#) seeks to eradicate homelessness and revitalize the West County Community through case management, enrichment and training opportunities to help stabilize low-moderate income community members.

Are you familiar with any local non profits that might need some recognition and a monetary boost? We need YOUR help to identify local non profits who might benefit from our donations! The Good Neighbor Program at UUCB is a integral part of our congregation's community outreach. Each month we share our offerings from the Sunday worship services with non-profit organizations serving the Alameda and Contra Costa communities, particularly those serving people in need. A different group is selected each month to receive these much-needed funds. Each year, through the generosity of UUCB members, friends, and Sunday visitors, around \$20,000 is distributed to these organizations.

These are the guidelines for any organization you nominate:

- It must be a 501 (c)3 non profit organization that promotes social, economic, racial and/or environmental or peace. The non profit should not have mainstream support.
- The non profit must be a local Alameda or Contra Costa county organization (no National Groups)
- UU social justice initiatives or organizations may also be included.

We are collecting nominations through the month of October. Please contact Natalie Campbell at nataliehcampbell@yahoo.com with your nominations. In your email, please include these details:

1. Name of the Organization
2. Tax ID # (you can call them to find out)
3. Name of contact person at organization
4. Phone number and email of contact person
5. Website address of organization
6. Mission statement of organization
7. Brief statement as to why you feel this organization needs our support.

We will be taking nominations until October 31st. Don't delay! Send us your nominations today. We will compile the list, and take a vote at the December 9th Social Justice Committee.

Special Events and Announcements

- Frank Brunotts, husband of Pat Thompson Brunotts, passed away on September 5 after 57 years of marriage. He was 85.
- **Beth Pollard will be the Board of Trustees Listening Presence for October.** Please email, text or call her at beth.poll@sbcglobal.net or 510-812-

6284 to convey questions or thoughts, or to arrange for a Zoom or socially-distanced meet up.

- **Wed, Oct. 14th** – Vespers will be in honor of LGBT National Coming Out Day
- **History of the Unitarian Universalist Church of Berkeley:** Dorothy Herzberg would like to write, with help from the congregation, a booklet on the History of UUCB as a fundraiser. The booklet will showcase how wisdom, humor, resilience, compassion and commitment have held UUCB together for more than 130 years. If you have any anecdotes, history of programs, events, etc. that have held together this remarkable congregation, please send them to dorothyherzberg@gmail.com or mail them to: Dorothy Herzberg, 1006 Richmond St. El Cerrito, CA 9530. Dorothy's recent book, *Through the Writer's Eye*, includes 10 UUCBers among its 17 authors, and it is available on Amazon.
- **On November 1**, the LFDC will honor Native American Heritage Month with a discussion of the Unitarian Universalist Association's Common Read for 2019-20: An Indigenous Peoples' History of the United States. The author, Roxanne Dunbar-Ortiz, will join us.

Humanist Connections

Sundays, 1:00 pm, Zoom

A discussion group to explore our humanity, values, ideas. *"A free and responsible search for truth and meaning."* (Fourth principle of Unitarian Universalism.)

October 4—Levels of Moral Development. Don Anderson and Lee Lawrence.

October 11—Discuss short topics presented at meeting, and pick topics for November. Ray Westergard.

October 18—Institutions as parasites on society. Paul Ulbrich.

October 25—Witches' New Year. Diane Rusnak and Bethe Lee.

Click [here](#) to join us.

Meeting ID: 815 2646 7205

Passcode: 3d07kb

For additional information, contact Marcia Bates, mjbates@ucla.edu. *Group managers: Susan Singh, Ray Westergard, Al Kueffner, Lee Lawrence, Kris Homme, Anne Fitzmaurice.*

Personal Theology

Sundays 9:30-10:30am, Zoom

October 11 2020 – Failure: A Spiritual Journey. Do failures, large and small, inconsequential and monumental inform the spiritual journey? Or are they just evidence of poor planning, lack of direction, moral failure, weak character and worse? Presenter: David Roberts, long-time UUCB member, current Trustee, former RE teacher, Worship Associate and active in church finances. He is the co-founder of two INC 500 companies, currently an investment banker, occasional actor and curious about everything. Hosts: Anne Wardell and Lonnie Moseley. Click [here](#) for more info.

October 18 2020 – Why have so many Christians forgotten Jesus in the age of Trump? Presenter: Rev. Craig Scott, member of UUCB since 1998, when he and Karen joined. Subsequently, he went to seminary and became a UU minister. Craig was the first minister of the UU Fellowship of Tuolumne County, in Sonora, CA, serving there from 2005 to 2014. After retirement from ministry, he was one of the founding members of the Social Justice Council at UUCB. He and Karen now live in Pacific Grove, CA, near two of their four grandchildren. Hosts: Anne Wardell and Lonnie Moseley.

If you have any thoughts or suggestions about Personal Theology and/or future speakers, please let me know. Thanks in advance for your support.

Anne Wardell, Personal Theology Chair

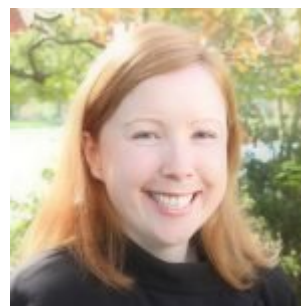
Family Ministry

Catherine Boyle, Director of Family Ministry

New Office Hours for Family Ministry

Director of Family Ministry (DFM) Catherine has new office hours every Tuesday 12:00pm - 2:00pm and Thursday 6:00pm - 8:00pm in her Zoom room.

Email family.ministry@uucb.org for access or to schedule different times directly with Catherine.



Upcoming Family Ministry and Religious Education October 2020 Calendar

Each Sunday we offer programming whether RE classes, Celebration Chapel (specially designed for kids and youth) or Multi-generational services. Sunday programming varies week to week. RE classes and Celebration Chapel always start at 12:15pm in the same Zoom room. Multi-generational services are the main Sunday service on FB at 11 AM.

For links to Zoom room, please check This Week in FM @ UUBC newsletter on the FM mailing list or email Catherine at family.ministry@uucb.org

Sunday October 4th – Celebration Chapel 12:15pm - 1:15pm

Sunday October 11th – RE Classes on Zoom 12:15pm - 1:15pm, Coming of Age on Zoom 12:15pm - 1:15 pm

Saturday October 17th – Game Night on Zoom! Join us for jackbox.tv games and more! 6:00pm - 8:00pm

Sunday October 18th – Multi-generational Service on Faith and Family, incorporating spiritual practice into home life at 11:00am.

Saturday October 24th – Family Spirit Night With Breakout Rooms for Caregivers and Kids 6:00pm - 8:00pm

Sunday October 25th – Online Parents Discussion Group on Zoom 10:00am - 11:00am. RE Classes on Zoom 12:15pm - 1:15pm

Friday October 30th – Online Halloween Event TBA, stayed tune for details later on Week Ahead

Love in the Time of COVID: Incorporating Spiritual Practice into Ordinary Life

Over a century ago, Clella Gregory lived on a farm in Kentucky with her parents and five siblings. With six kids, two parents, cows, chickens, goats and crops, the farm was always a busy place! Without electricity and running water, there was always something to do.

Then 1918 came and along with it, influenza. As the flu spread across the country and world so did it reach the Gregory farm. All six children and the mother caught the flu. It was up to Clella's father to take care of all of them along with the farm. Mr. Gregory also helped others in the community feed and take care of their animals when other families fell ill.

All the flu spread, soon schools were closed, church services canceled and social distancing became the norm. It was hard, but the Gregory family made sure to follow these rules.

One day as Mr. Gregory worked outside, a doctor stopped by to check on the family. "All are doing well," he replied. The doctor nodded, "Keep doing what you are doing, the family down the road may lose their girl."

The Gregory family all survived.

This is a memory shared by Clella B. Gregory from their [Pandemic Influenza Storybook](https://www.cdc.gov/publications/pandflu/) (<https://www.cdc.gov/publications/pandflu/>) which features stories from different people recalling their lived experiences during the 1918 epidemic. Not all of the stories end as happily as Clella's.

It is uniquely difficult to be a parent/caregiver in this age of uncertainty and fear, unparalleled since 1918. As parents and caregivers we want to give the children in our lives comfort, reassurance and hope but as we wrestle with providing those qualities to ourselves, it often feels hard. Adding the isolation of COVID, it can feel impossible.

One way to recenter ourselves and our loved ones is through consistent spiritual practices and rituals. Giving ourselves time to breathe, reflect, connect and just be can help us fortify and build resilience within ourselves.

In October, I will be sharing advice and practices in the Family Ministry weekly mailings. We will also be dedicating an entire service to the topic on October 18 for all ages. We'll be diving into the topic as parents and caregivers on Sunday October 25 in Online Parents Discussion Group on Zoom from 10:00am - 11:00am. I hope you join us.

Blessings,
Catherine Boyle
Director of Family Ministry

From the Board of Trustees

Beth Pollard

“Candidates” are in the news everywhere, with UUCB no exception. The Nominating Committee has begun its annual church by-laws assigned work to select excellent candidates for the annual congregational election to replace departing board members.

Four Board seats are at play for the February 2021 election: Three 3-year terms and one 1-year term.

- Cordell Sloan and Kathryn Jay are eligible for re-election
- Jack Duggan and Logan Stump-Vernon will be termed out

Continuing Board members are:

- Beth Pollard
- David Roberts
- Elaine Miller
- Helen Tinsley-Jones
- Kerry Simpson

What is the Committee seeking in prospective candidates? We believe these group characteristics are needed for the Board to be effective and to reflect UUCB's mission and values:

- Diversity (such as racial, gender, and age/generational)
- Varied experience in different UUCB program areas
- At least a few members experienced with budgets/finance

We believe these individual characteristics are important:

- Strong communication and interpersonal skills
- Familiarity with how UUCB functions/ Previous experience in a leadership position at UUCB
- Energy and time to commit to the work

What's it like being on the Board? It's an honor to represent the mission and members of the church, and it's more than showing up to a meeting once a month. There's learning and understanding how this deliberative body works and things get done, from motions to governance processes. It's saying "yes" to leadership tasks, and initiatives that mean time. And it's listening, reflection, courage and action amidst uncertainty and conflict about what's best for the mission and future of UUCB.

How can you suggest nominees? Contact Nominating@uucb.org if you are interested or if you have suggestions. Anyone not selected may get on the ballot by written petition signed by at least two percent of UUCB's certified membership.

While we must be confidential about individual names under consideration until they are announced, we welcome questions about Board service and the nominating process. We will publicize more specifics about timelines, logistics, etc. in this unusual year as our work unfolds.

Beth Pollard

Nominating Committee Convener/Board Vice President

Nominating Committee Members: Ariel Smith-Iyer, Dayana Claghorn, Don Klose, Marta Tobey, Max Jenny, Randall Hudson, Robin Cooper, Selene Fabiano, Victoria Bowen.

From the Treasurer

Larry Nagel

This is the first report for Fiscal Year 2020-21 and it will appear a little different from previous reports. The Finance team of Tess O'Riva, Diana Steinbach, Monte Meyer and Philip Smith of Shining Star Consulting, and myself are still working on closing the books for Fiscal Year 2019-20.

This article describes results for the month of July 2020. We are beginning Fiscal Year 2020-21 in a very good position. July 2020 Total Revenue was \$94,271, which

is \$29,014 more than budgeted, and July 2020 Expenses were \$36,109, which is \$37,193 less than budgeted.

The bottom line is that the July 2020 Surplus is \$58,162, which is \$66,207 better than budgeted.

As of July 31, 2020, the Mechanics Checking account was \$261,858 and the Mechanics Savings account was \$402,636, which includes the \$250,000 Bequest from the Ann Lane estate. Hence, our cash reserves at the end of July were a whopping \$414,494. The UUA Board Designated Endowment is now at \$813,697.



If you any questions, please contact me at lwn@att.net or call me at (510) 558-0842.

Partner Church Committee

Stephanie Ann Blythe

Last month I mentioned the collaboration between the UUA's Partner Church Council and the International Council of Unitarian and Universalists leading toward a single organization with a new vision to carry forward their work and shared values. The report on this effort can be viewed [here](#).



On two recent zoom calls, interested people from the US, Canada, and Europe asked about next steps, including organizational structure, financing, partnering, training, and travel. The working group invites anyone with ideas and expertise in international law regarding forming a new organization to contact uupcc.org. There will be more opportunities to join in the conversation and we will post those as they occur. It is not an easy task, yet an exciting one.

Meanwhile, the UUCB Social Justice Council has reached out to the Transylvanian Partner Church Committee in regard to affiliating Partner Church with the SJC. For some time Partner Church has been categorized as a worship group, but over time the need to be recognized more as a social justice group (or a hybrid) has arisen. Transylvania, as well as all of Romania, feels the same conflicts between democracy and authoritarianism that we and other parts of the world are experiencing. We look forward to telling you more in the future through the Social Justice Council, and invite you to make ours a vibrant partnership. Contact Stephanie Ann Blythe at steph62850@yahoo.com or Anne Greenwood at annegt1@sbcglobal.net to get on board with these new initiatives.

Social Justice Council

Reverend Michelle visited with SJC to gather ideas on engaging visitors to our congregation in our work. She is expecting a surge in visitors after the November election, as happened across the country after 2016, and wants to help us reach out and offer a welcoming community in better ways.

The Social Justice Council continues to **Defend Our Democracy** with Reclaim Our Vote (ROV) working to get out the vote for the November election by sending postcards urging people to register, where to vote early, and to use vote by mail. This work has been embraced by much of the congregation. UUtheVote is another way to work with ROV and also to phone bank. If you are interested in sending postcards, contact Helen Toy. If you are interested in joining a UUCB only phone bank, contact Norie Clarke, by text (510) 409-1551.

Norie Clarke also wants to encourage high schoolers in Contra Costa County and Alameda County to train to be poll workers, as that is a role traditionally retired elders have filled. So polling stations have become quite limited during the pandemic. Poll workers are trained and paid, and are filling an important civic service in our democracy. Call Norie if you want to hear more.

Our **Confronting Racism and Oppression Project** now includes an action based group, **the Anti-Racist Task Force**. Current task force projects include:

- **Planting periwinkles** as part of a national project to honor those enslaved people laid to rest in unmarked graves. Periwinkles are a flower known to have been used by enslaved African-Americans to honor their dead. It is beautiful and tenacious.
- To **Increase Diversity in Literature** is organizing a book drive for Richmond elementary schools. UUCB members have already purchased 70 books on diversity, authored by people of color and purchased locally, to be donated to the libraries of Richmond schools needing support. Fifty books are being donated to Verde Elementary, after which we are moving to other schools in the district. Please address any questions to Helen Toy, Helen_toy@yahoo.com or Judy Sam, jssam47@yahoo.com.
- **Honoring Indigenous Peoples Group** is reading books and documents while conducting historical research and will be communicating with Indigenous groups to explore restorative and honoring actions that our UU community can initiate.

Further Confronting Racism and Oppression committees are:

- **Literature, Film, and Drama Contingent** is on the 1st Sunday of the month at 12:30pm. On October 4, the LFDC will hold its annual Fishbowl Conversation; this year, the topic is "Race." There will be two "fishbowls," one for people who identify as "white," and another for "people of color." Interested? Contact Julia Rogers.
- **On November 1**, the LFDC will honor Native American Heritage Month with a discussion of the Unitarian Universalist Association's Common Read for

2019-20: An Indigenous Peoples' History of the United States. The author, Roxanne Dunbar-Ortiz, will join us.

- **Taking Stock's** two halves, People of Color Caucus (POCC) and Whites Opposed to White Supremacy (WOWS) will meet separately in the fall, POCC on December 5th from 2-4pm and WOWS on September 27 from 12:30-2pm.

Youth Spirit Artworks Tiny House Project

- The foundations for the yurts for community spaces have been laid in the Oakland village of tiny houses. Residents are expected to be moved in by the beginning of November.

Environmental Justice Project is continuing to work with allies and informing the congregation of local ballot measures directed at environmental justice.

The **Peace Committee**, inspired by the August UU community commemoration of the US bombing of Nagasaki and Hiroshima, is being revitalized to work with local allies in opposing the production and deployment of nuclear weapons.

In other Social Justice News:

- Beth Jerde continues to make masks to sell (~\$20 donation) with proceeds going to the survivors of multiple crises from Cedar Rapids, Iowa, to the Vacaville Fire.
- Please EVERYONE, friends and family, red states and blue (this is greater than politics) write your congress rep. and senators, that you need a well-functioning post office. Make it personal. SAVE THE US MAIL!
- Our Good Neighbor with whom we share the collection plate in October will be Greater Richmond Interfaith Project (GRIP).

The next Social Justice Council is October 14th at 7pm.

From the Executive Director

Tess Snook O'Riva, Executive Director

I was 13 years old, living in a welded-together mobile home constructed of spare parts, creativity, and about 3 inches of tar roof. Around 2 o'clock one June morning, I sat bolt upright in bed, pulled my sister up, and ran down the hall.

My dad met us half-way, turned us around, and got us all out the fire exit. My mother had luckily gotten out the front door, but not before she was burned alongside her back and down one arm. The house was gone in minutes.

The summer after that fire, it felt like tragedy beget tragedy. We lived in tents in our front yard, took showers in the cattle run, and sat together in silence around the picnic table when my dad was diagnosed with cancer, found when they were



checking for smoke inhalation. My mother took care of five teenagers, my dad, and herself, every day without complaining. Her burns needed the dressings changed daily with sulfur-based salve to reduce scarring. Every morning I would help her take off her bandages, and she would stretch her arm out, lifting it higher each day, no matter how much it hurt. They told her she would only have 80% use of her arm after that. Being my mother, she responded “Bullsh*t!” She proved them wrong.

As many of you know, my mom and my nephew lost their houses in Berry Creek this past month. She had lived there for over 25 years and had built the house and surrounding barns and buildings to support her construction business before she retired 6 years ago. According to the pictures, nothing really survived. But I don't tell these stories to garner sympathy. I tell them to introduce you to my hero. My mother.

I speak with my mom every day, and some days she finds happiness in things she sees outside her hotel room or in getting to replace something she wanted to anyway. And some days the enormity of starting over gets to her, and she's not sure she can do it. My role is to listen, offer support, and repeat her own advice back to her. She hates that. And occasionally when she gets really down, I remind her of that woman who told a doctor off to his face. That guy who had the audacity to tell my mother what she would be capable of. Silly man.

We have had a ridiculous year. No one I have spoken with can remember a more universally trying time. But each day, no matter what additional tragedy lands on us, I try and have patience with my teens, appreciate the birds outside my window, and raise my arms a little higher. And if anyone even *tries* to suggest that our capacities are limited, I will look them in the eye and call bullsh*t. I am my mother's daughter, after all.

Feel free to reach out to me directly (ed@uucb.org) or join us on the 2nd and 4th Thursday of each month at 10 am for the CT meeting (see uucb.org for details)!

Music Matters

Bryan Baker

The pandemic has been hard on all of us. There are special challenges for musicians these days. Making music together is something that feeds musicians' souls, but it's hard right now. The internet wasn't designed for live music; processing speeds vary and live music goes out of sync easily and disruptively. Only a few platforms allow small groups of singers or players to be in sync and they come with some restrictive technical requirements.

Live, in-person music runs the risk of increased virus exposure. Still, some musicians have gathered in small groups for instrumental chamber music, and I am one of those. We wear masks and stay at least six feet apart. We need large, well-

ventilated spaces, take frequent breaks. We have to develop some new habits, like not talking loudly, and moving away to have a drink of water.

The musical challenges come with the distance between players. Physical closeness has always been crucial to ensemble playing; we feel one another's energy. And mask wearing for extended periods tends to fog up the mind as well as the glasses. Rehearsing is an altered reality, and trying to find the fine edge of the beat together can be elusive. It takes a great deal of adjustment. And it is worth it.

You may have seen and heard an excerpt from Schumann's magnificent Piano Quintet during a Sunday service last month. There will be more opportunities to see people playing live music during service. And in the middle of November, a full concert, the annual Bryan Baker and Friends fundraiser.

Yours in harmony,
Bryan

Re-Opening Task Force

How and when should UUCB reopen for Sunday services and other congregational activities? This question is at the heart of the mission of the newly established Re-Opening Planning Task Force.

The Task Force will be considering and designing the how and when it will be safe for all UUCB members and friends to once again come together in our spiritual community. Following the advice of the UUA, local public health authorities and other reputable sources, the Task Force will look at opening phases and health milestones that will best serve us. There is no current target date for re-opening.

In this endeavor, protocols will be drafted for Sunday services, small group gatherings, and rentals. The drafts will be shared for review and comment with relevant UUCB entities, e.g. Buildings and Grounds, RE, Music, Social Justice. Through monthly columns in the Beacon and other communications, the Task Force will ensure that the congregation stays informed of its efforts and has the opportunity to share suggestions and concerns.

Task Force members are Patrick Cullinane (Chair), Sheldon Jones, Greg Lemieux, Catherine Boyle, Tess O'Riva, and Rev. Michelle Collins. All Task Force members welcome your communications to planning@uucb.org.



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