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## Worship Calendar: September 2019

#### The worship theme for the Month is "EXPECTATION."

September 1st:"Whose Table Is It?"(Carl Jacobs)At our last summer service of 2019, in a very trying time in our nation's<br/>history, Carl Jacobs asks this important question: "Whose Table Is It?" There<br/>will be plenty of good music and food for thought. If you are able, please bring<br/>a favorite dish that you would like to share with the community as the service<br/>will end with a potluck brunch.

September 8<sup>th</sup>: "Roll Down Like Waters" (Rev. Michael F. Hall) It is Ingathering Sunday at KUUC and we gather to celebrate the new "church year," the collective journey and life of this community, and the hopeful, justice-driven message of Unitarian Universalism! The KUUC Choir will sing, Jill will share a Story for All Ages and we will take part in our annual Water "communion" Ceremony. So please join us! Bring a small sample of water from a special place for the Water Ceremony, bring a friend, and a something yummy for the Potluck Picnic after the service.

September 15<sup>th</sup>: "Simple Pleasures & Great Expectations" (Rev. Michael) In a society of extremes: wealth and want, competitive markets and corporate welfare, environmental depletion and unbridled consumption, it is easy to find ourselves caught up in a shallow, "gimme, gimme" lifestyle. Today we will look at this moment in history and how we might arrive at a more just, safe and healthy future. Religious Exploration Committee member Deborah Dunnell shares a favorite story about an American icon. We will share our Joys and Concerns together and take part in a special ceremony to honor and commission our 2019-2020 KUUC Board of Trustees.

# September 22<sup>nd</sup>:"I Need Someone To Talk To"(Rev. Michael)According to the American Foundation for Suicide Prevention, suicide is the 10<sup>th</sup> leading<br/>cause of death in America claiming more than 47,000 lives in 2017. As September is<br/>Suicide Prevention Month, we will ask the questions: Why? Who? What can we do to<br/>help? and consider how we might be help as a people of compassion. The KUUC Choir

joins us this morning.

September 29<sup>th</sup>: "Spread the Word, Plant the Seed" (Rev. Michael) Tomorrow, September 30<sup>th</sup>, is called "Universalism Day", in remembrance of the first sermon preached by the English exile and soon-to-be Universalist Evangelist, John Murray in 1770. Today, Rev. Michael will offer his thoughts on the history of evangelism within our Unitarian Universalist movement and why spreading the word is so important. Our minister will also share the story of a famous evangelist from a place nearby: Johnny Appleseed, born John Chapman in Leominster, MA.

Sunday Services begin at 10 A.M. in the Sanctuary followed by Coffee Hour in our Parish Hall.

#### KUUC Mission Statement

The people of KUUC are committed to actively creating compassionate community and working for a fair and peaceful world.

#### THE SEVEN UNITARIAN UNIUVERSALIST PRINCIPLES

The Principles are not dogma or doctrine, but rather a covenant made between our Unitarian Universalist congregations. Many of our members use "the Principles" as a guide for how they choose live their faith at home and in the world.

The inherent worth and dignity of every person;		
Justice, equity and compassion in human relations;		
Acceptance of one another and encouragement to spiritual growth in our		
congregations;		
A free and responsible search for truth and meaning;		
The right of conscience and the use of the democratic process within our		
congregations and in society at large;		
The goal of world community with peace, liberty, and justice for all;		
Respect for the interdependent web of existence of which we are a part.		

#### THE SIX SOURCES OF OUR LIVING TRADITION

As religious pluralists we draw upon multiple sources of inspiration in worship and daily life including: -Direct experience of that transcending mystery and wonder, affirmed in all cultures, which moves us to a renewal of the spirit and an openness to the forces which create and uphold life;

-Words and deeds of prophetic people which challenge us to confront powers and structures of evil with justice, compassion, and the transforming power of love;

-Wisdom from the world's religions which inspires us in our ethical and spiritual life;

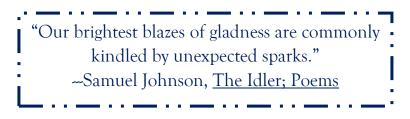
-Jewish and Christian teachings which call us to respond to God's love by loving our neighbors as ourselves;

-Humanist teachings which counsel us to heed the guidance of reason and the results of science, and warn us against idolatries of the mind and spirit;

-Spiritual teachings of Earth-centered traditions which celebrate the sacred circle of life and instruct us to live in harmony with the rhythms of nature.

## SHARING MINISTRY WITH REV. MICHAEL





Over the course of the year, we will be using an approach to worship

and faith formation called "theme ministry." Each month of the traditional "church year" (September-June) will have an overarching theme; for September the theme is **"Expectation."** 

At first, I thought I had no expectations for the 2019-2020 church year. To be certain, I have many things on my calendar already. I have made plans, I have set goals and I have hopes aplenty, but I have no expectations about what or how it is all going to go. I think that this is the best possible relationship that one can have with life: to be optimistic enough to have dreams, to make plans, to be pragmatic enough to prepare for each day as it comes, and work hard on things that matter. Sometimes my high expectations have left me disappointed with myself and others, shut me off from the spice of lived experience, of real engagement, and the ability to respond to emerging needs.

Then I got to thinking, perhaps I am not looking at the idea of expectation correctly or, better yet, it is entirely possible that I have mishandled my expectations by holding on to them too

tightly. Have you ever done that? When we have exceedingly high expectations or when we cling too tightly to them, we make of each new day--never mind each new year--a closed-off thing, and therefore it is not expectation at all, but perfectionism in disguise. However, if instead we allow our sense of expectation to be a delightful anticipation, we will not become subject to each twist of fate, but will remain spacious, open, and full. To people who seek truth and meaning, a gentle expectation is a great gift indeed, leaving us with a delightful anticipation of each unfolding moment.

As we begin this new journey into theme ministry together, we will be taking part in *Soul Matters*, which is a collective orientation to whole church involvement that includes suggested applications for Religious Exploration, Membership Development and Music. It is rich in online resources, training and brain storming sessions for lay-leaders as well as closed Facebook group pages for the 170 participating Ministers, DREs and Music Directors. It is something that the Worship Team is quite excited about and looking forward to introducing you to. Slowly. As we are learning about the wonderful resources and how to make the best use of the supportive *Soul Matters* staff, we will also be experiencing it as a process right alongside of you. It's going to be ... well, you'll see.

See ya in Church!

Rev. Michael

## About Soul Matters & the Monthly Themes

To understand a little more about *Soul Matters*, here is a description from their website, which you may also wish to peruse <u>https://www.soulmatterssharingcircle.com</u>.

"The Soul Matters Sharing Circle is a network of Unitarian Universalist congregations who follow the same monthly themes so we can more easily share small group material, as well as worship, sermon, music and children's religious education resources. We are a web of support and connection. Companions traveling a new journey together each month."

One key concept is that Soul Mattersit is a theme-based program that enhances and enlarges, rather than insists upon, what the actual content of worship will be---that's still up to me and Donna and Jill and the rest of the Worship Team. Below are this year's monthly themes.

#### 2019-2020 Themes

We would well served to frame each theme within the context of a question beginning with, "What Does It Mean to be a People of..." September: Expectation October: Belonging November: Attention December: Awe January: Integrity February: Resilience March: Wisdom April: Liberation May: Thresholds June: Play

## A MESSAGE FROM YOUR BOARD PRESIDENT by John Walter

As we approach what many consider to be the resumption of regular worship services on Sept 8, I want to thank all those involved with our summer services. They have been excellent! Thanks are also due to Vicky Keller, Deb McLay, Hazel Erdoben, and Melinda Hildreth Honkala for launching our upcoming Rummage Sale. Thanks also to Betsy Zimmerli and the rest of the Circle of Caring for reaching out to KUUC members in need.

Special thanks (yet again) to the Hills, Bob for his diligence, skill, and creativity at solving various property problems both at our church property and at our Taylor St. rental property, and Carol for all her hard work on our church's gardens. They are both doing much more work than any one person should be responsible for, and I urge all who are able to reach out to one or both of them to lend a hand. I can attest to their both being fun to work with and patient, cheerful instructors to those, such as myself, who have little or no skill at property maintenance or gardening. Although I am sure they would welcome volunteers with experience, lack of experience is no barrier.

On a completely different note, I would like to challenge ourselves (myself included) to do a better job of being welcoming to those with different views from ourselves. Ours is a liberal church, but that does not mean that KUUC members, friends, and visitors with conservative and libertarian political views should be disrespected. Yet this is too often the case. We need to be able to get beyond the polarizing and sometimes hate-filled rhetoric from Washington and to strive to understand that there are approaches to our 7 principles that do not require a politically liberal viewpoint.

I have also heard occasional statements that make our Christian congregants feel unwelcome. I suspect I know why this happens. Many of us have rejected the Christian hierarchy and/or theology we grew up with, and, as a result, may feel disdain about Christianity. Please remember

that the Christians among us are here because they too believe in inclusivity, and they may well be doing a better job practicing it than the rest of us are.

Let us be truly welcoming to all who share our principles and look to us for community, no matter what experiences or perspectives they bring.

#### John

#### FROM THE DRE: By Jill M. Hall, Director of Religious Exploration

#### **RE** Calendar

**Sunday, September 8** Ingathering and Water Communion This is a Multigenerational worship service. Children will remain in the sanctuary for the entire service.

**Sunday, September 15** Children (grades 1-5) will begin in the sanctuary and be sung out to join Deborah Dunnell in the downstairs Blocks Room. They will explore the theme of Expectation through the story, *Henry Builds a Cabin* by D.B. Johnson. A *caring adult helper is needed this morning*.

Parents are invited to an informal coffee conversation with Jill immediately after the service. Bring your coffee to the benches by the RE bulletin board to chat about RE offerings and opportunities for this church year.

11:30 RE Committee meeting in the Alliance Room. All are welcome.

**Sunday, September 22** There is no RE this morning. Children are welcome to remain in the sanctuary during the service. There will be an assortment of tools for busy hands in the rear of the sanctuary, for people of any age to use during worship. Please return materials after worship.

2:30pm, Alliance Room. Informational meeting for parents and guardians interested in enrolling their middle school child(ren) in Neighboring Faiths.

Sunday, September 29 There is no RE this morning. Children are welcome to remain in the sanctuary during the service.

2:30-4:30pm, Alliance Room. Neighboring Faiths RE group meets.

#### **Neighboring Faiths**

This autumn, Keene UU Church (KUUC) is offering middle school youth the opportunity to engage personally with the faith traditions in our community and to go beyond tolerance of religious diversity to a deeper understanding and appreciation of multiculturalism. Participants will learn about world religions, their origins, beliefs and practices, and engage with faiths by visiting houses of worship or hosting conversations with believers. By combining two established curricula, Neighboring Faiths (UUA, 1997) and Building Bridges (Tapestry of Faith, 2013), the adult facilitators of this group will support the participants in choosing faiths they would like to explore (learn about) and engage with (visit or host representatives). Program goals for participants include increasing knowledge of religions practiced around the world and locally; reflecting on what is unique and universal in religious experience; exploring their own values and deepening their spiritual search; and fostering acceptance of religious diversity and the diversity of followers within individual religions. While this is a Unitarian Universalist program, participants from other faith traditions or no current faith tradition are all welcome. Differences of experience and opinion will be respected, and participants will practice both connecting with others and disagreeing with respect and civility.

This program is free to members of KUUC; community members are requested to provide a nominal fee of \$50 to cover materials and facilitator training. If this fee is a hardship, a waiver may be obtained by communicating with Rev. Michael F Hall, minister at KUUC or Jill Hall, Director of Religious Exploration.

Interested parents/guardians are invited to an informational meeting at KUUC, 69 Washington St, on Sunday, September 22 at 2:30pm, where you will be able to experience the curriculum, ask questions, and provide input about which religions you are hoping the group will explore. Attendance is not required but every participant must have a signed permission form indicating parental understanding of the time commitments and that there will be off-site trips to visit other faith communities. Please contact Jill Hall at <u>kuucdre@gmail.com</u> with any questions, for more information including a schedule of meetings, or to let me know you are coming to the parent meeting.

#### Adults Needed

Offering the middle school curriculum Neighboring Faiths is part of fulfilling KUUC's mission of creating compassionate community. In order to comply with our Safe Congregations guidelines this group needs an adult helper for each meeting that is at KUUC (15 total, from late September through early April), and adult drivers and chaperones for 4-6 off-site visits to houses of worship or other sacred sites. Opportunities include:

- Volunteer as adult helper for the entire course or for 3-5 individual meetings.
- Volunteer as IT support for the program; troubleshoot the church's wifi/internet access and support participants using the chUUrchcraft app, either for the entire course or for specific meetings.
- Volunteer as admin support call/email other congregations to arrange for our visit or for representative to meet with us here at KUUC. This job could be shared among 2 or 3 people or taken on by one person.

- Volunteer to drive and chaperone off-site visits.
- Volunteer to lead one or more sessions, integrating the curriculums (Neighboring Faiths, Building Bridges and chUUrchcraft), leading activities, moderating discussions.

For more information, to talk about these opportunities, suggest other ways to help, or to sign up, please email Jill at <u>kuucdre@gmail.com</u>

Jill

## Music Notes

#### Donna Dearth, Music Director

I hope everyone had a great summer and took time to relax and connect to our beautiful surroundings. I was fortunate to do a lot of travelling especially to Boothbay ME (4 times) where my sister and her family summer.

The choir will begin rehearsing on 8/29 from 7:30-9:00pm and will meet every week thereafter on Thursday nights until June. We will perform on the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Sundays of each month. We would love to have more people join us for this music ministry. We are especially looking for tenors this year!

I also want to incorporate as many musicians/singers/dancers as we can into our service on Sunday mornings. Please let me know if you are interested in performing.

We will be singing some new material from a curriculum called "Soul Matters" which will be incorporated in all aspects of the church.

I am excited to begin this new year and want to thank you for making me feel so welcomed in your community.

Peace,

Donna



## For the Messenger from the Religious Exploration Committee:

#### Dear Fellow KUUC'ers:

We are writing to share with you the changes in RE as a result of the budget decisions at the Annual Meeting. Our committee met in August to evaluate the changes and plan for the best we can make of the current fiscal situation for the 2019-20 church year. The decisions were difficult. We support fiscal responsibility and the Board embracing a budget within our church means. We also need the congregation to understand that RE has taken a huge hit that will deeply affect our programming for the church's children and families. And, as ever, we appeal to you to lend a hand and volunteer to support our children. We will first present the tough reality, and then our resilient response.

#### **Reality Check**

There are four main areas of budget cuts affecting RE this year. First, is that the RE Director position time was cut by 26% (630 hours down to 440). Formerly, we had an on-staff DRE for 12-15 hours per week year round. This budget means that our DRE will no longer be hired for summer hours. She was not paid for 8 weeks of this July and August, and now will be on staff only 10 hours per week for the remainder of the church year. Jill's past activities have included: teaching and preparing for RE classes, class consultation with other RE lead teachers, developing RE curriculum, preparing for and facilitating Multigenerational services, preparing and performing Stories for All Ages, RE administration, parent communication, Messenger updates, RE Committee meetings, meetings and coordination with Worship Team, RE bulletin board, supervision, and professional development. Other significant cuts were the funding for Our Whole Lives (OWL) sexuality education program required teacher training, the stipend for RE lead teachers, and for professional development.

Here is what RE is losing based on Jill's current hours and budget cuts:

-The ability to recruit and train leaders for the OWL class we had planned to offer next year. We are unable to confidently publicize the class to the community for the following year, since we don't know that we will have trained leaders ready to facilitate a group in 2020-21. (Jill has already had inquiries.)

-Sunday morning RE class 2-3 times a month

~Fewer high quality Stories for All Ages from Jill well integrated into the service.

-Due to the lower amount for supplies, we will have less flexibility in funding projects/activities, and in purchasing updated, culturally diverse curriculum.

-Other comments: We try our best to live with the RE office disarray (functions as a storage room/library) because this is not where we want to put Jill's limited time. Congregation members can help out by not dropping off things or removing them from the RE office without checking in with Jill.

#### **Resilient Response**

Here is what we can accomplish together if we have enough volunteer support:

~ Offer RE once per month for younger grades K-5 with Betsy Stacey and Deborah Dunnell teaching. In alternating months the class curriculum will be in the Blocks room. In the other months, classes will be held in the upstairs classroom. In addition, we are currently planning to offer occasional "drop in" blocks (without curriculum).

-Programming for grades 6-9 with Neighboring Faith. \*\*\*Need 3 committed adults to assist Jill with curriculum to make that happen.\*\*\*

-Stories for All Ages and Multigenerational Services sometimes with Jill and at times with other volunteers.

We thank you all for your caring and support of our youngest church goers, with deep appreciation to all who volunteer their time in the special ministry of RE. We can't do it without you!

Members of the RE Committee: Barbara Bryce, Chair, Deborah Dunnell, Betsy Stacey, Tina Stevens, Sarah Franklin

## September and October Ambassadors.

Sept. 1 – Melinda Hildreth Honkala

Sept. 8 - Carol White Sept. 15 - Deb McLay Sept. 22 Gwyn Powers Sept. 29 Carole Mills Oct. 6 Carole Mills Oct. 13 - Gwyn Powers Oct. 20 - Deb McLay Oct. 27 Carol White

## EVENTS, ACTIVITIES, UPDATES & Other News:

## UU CHRISTIAN SCRIPTURES DISCUSSION GROUP TO MEET SEPTEMBER 3<sup>RD</sup>:

The UU Christian Scriptures Discussion Group will hold its first meeting of the new "church Year" this coming Tuesday, September 3rd at 5:00 P.M. in the Alliance Room. The theme of this month's discussion is "God as Father."

Join us for what is always a stimulating discussion on an significant theme. Transportation is available. Contact Carol Stamatakis at <u>cstamatakis@outlook.com</u> or 603-863-4920.

## KUUC BOOK CLUB, SEPTEMBER 15th:

A new KUUC Book Club is starting up on September 15th right after we get our coffee/tea. Please join Judy Wright, Carol Hill and Ruth Shepard to discuss our first book and to decide on administrative details – meeting dates, times and places; pot lucks(?); book choices, etc. Our first book is *The Second Mountain* by David Brooks. We are looking forward to some meaningful discussions.

## DANCE CONNECTION, FALL SESSION BEGINS ON SEPTEMBER 18:

Dance Connection is a time to move and be together in community. No experience necessary, any age and ability welcome. Fall Schedule: Wednesdays 2-3pm, September 18, 25, October 2, 23, 30, November 6, 13, 20, December 4, 11, 18. Location: Parish Hall, No Fee, but donation for use of space gladly received. Contact Carin Torp at (603) 357-7645 or carintorp@yahoo.com. Hope to see you there!



#### Fall 2019 Schedule

Sept 28Paddle/WalkSource to Sea Cleanup, Ashuelot River, Keene/SwanzeyOct 20HikeMt. Caesar, SwanzeyOct 27Berry Picking WalkPartridge berry gathering & walk, KeeneDec 7Night Sky ObservingKeene Amateur Astronomers Observatory, Sullivan

For information contact: Tom Julius (603) 357-4521, tjulius54@gmail.com

**KUUC Outdoors** provides opportunities to experience the interconnected web of life and enjoy being outdoors together. We endeavor to plan a variety of events for participants of all ages, ranging from low to moderate levels of challenge. All activities are led by volunteer members of KUUC and depart from the church. The schedule is weather dependent and subject to change.

## Mark Your Calendars October 6th: Energy, Work, and Wisdom Work Day & Worship

Save the date – Sunday October 6 – for faithful fellowship, growing in community, and wisely stewarding our resources. We're reviving the KUUC "Work as Worship" tradition this October, and inviting you to arrive early and stay late around a thematic worship service. We'll team up to button up our beloved building for the coming winter, attending to assorted tasks that should help us cut our fuel use (and our budget!), feel more comfortably draft-free, and live our 7th principle. Watch for details to come, and know that in the spirit of inclusivity there will be general tasks or energetic conversation for those not up to clambering around with vacuums, caulking guns, etc.

## RUMMAGE SALE: OCTOBER 12, 2019

#### HOW CAN YOU HELP?

Donate gently used or new items

Winter Clothing - clean and ready to sell

No - electronics, old books or stemware

Come help sort items donated -

Tues and Thurs 10-12 am

#### WHERE & WHEN TO BRING DONATIONS:

Drop off across from Ladies RoomTues and Thurs and SundayNo more drop off after October 6th

CONTACT TEAM MEMBERS WITH QUESTIONS: Melinda Hildreth Honkala <u>melindahildrethhonkala@gmail.com</u> Deb McLay <u>debmclay529@gmail.com</u>; Vicki Keller <u>vickimatt@gmail.com</u>; Hazel Erdoben <u>hazelerdo@gmail.com</u>

## UUA General Assembly 2020: Providence, RI

"General Assembly (GA) is the annual meeting of our Unitarian Universalist Association (UUA). Attendees worship, witness, learn, connect, and make policy for the Association through democratic process. Anyone may attend; congregations must certify annually to send voting delegates." – <u>www.uua.org/ga</u>

General Assembly is held in a different location every year. In 2019 it was in Spokane, WA, BUT General Assembly is in Providence, RI June 24-28, 2020!

According to the UUA website (see above), "Providence combines the best of a quaint New England town with the amenities and hip sophistication of a big city. Acclaimed restaurants, a vibrant arts and culture scene, and beautifully preserved historic architecture combine to make Providence a destination for inspiration." I grew up in Providence's suburbs and I agree, it's a great little city, even more exciting and cosmopolitan than when I was hanging out there in the 80's.

Look for updates and more information about GA in this year's Messengers. Attending GA, even as a day trip, is a worthwhile experience, and one I hope you'll consider adding to your 2020 wish list.

Jill M Hall, DRE

## ACTIVISTS CORNER: UPCOMING SOCIAL ACTION OPPORTUNITIES IN THE AREA

#### CANDIDATES FORUM ON NUCLEAR ISSUES SEPTEMBER 19th

A recent University of New Hampshire poll found that over 80% of New Hampshire voters think that 2020 presidential candidates should discuss their views on nuclear weapons. We couldn't agree more.

A lot of important issues are being addressed so far in the election: climate change, immigration, racial justice, gun control, health care. But we're missing discussion on a major issue - nuclear weapons.

Why does it matter? Today, there are over 14,000 nuclear weapons on the planet—and the United States and Russia own 90 percent of them. We still have some crazy nuclear policies, like maintaining the right to start a nuclear war, and putting the sole authority to launch these deadly weapons in one person's hands: the president. And while the federal government is currently planning to spend \$1.5 trillion rebuilding our entire nuclear arsenal, younger voters will be the ones to inherit thousands of these deadly weapons, and to cover that cost with our tax dollars.

With stakes this high, every 2020 presidential candidate should have a strong position on these issues. This fall, students and activists across the country are calling on candidates to take a stand and tell us - the voters - what they plan to do to make us safe from nuclear war.

Join us September 19th at the Antioch campus (exact location TBA) at 6pm to make sure candidates are hearing what we have to say about nukes. Come have some free food, hear what the candidates are saying (or not saying) on this issue, and make your voice heard.

## PLANNING UNDERWAY FOR SOCIAL MOBILIZATION ON ENVIRONMENT ON 9/20:

Our own Sarah Wilton is part of a group planning a public witness and social mobilization here in Keene as part of a global movement to break the log-jam on the world-wide Climate Change Crisis. On September 20<sup>th</sup> at 3 P.M. a number of public witness actions are expected so that we can mobilize the people and stop this emergency situation before it gets worse. For decades, governments have delayed taking real action on climate change initiatives, many have avoided telling the truth and leaders have ignored, called into question or outright denied scientific findings that strongly indicate the need for dramatic change in individual, national and international behavior and policy. Its time to bring the case to the people as our last, best hope.

If you wish to find out more about local efforts for the September actions, or help out in the effort contact Sarah at <u>chapingay@aol.com</u>

## COMMUNITY PICTURES: (Thanks to David Teubner)





## COMMITTEE CONTACTS:

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Music:	Matt Aversa & Carin Torp
Personnel:	Open
Religious Exploration:	Barbara Bryce
Senior Lunch Bunch:	Betty Forrest
Shawls of Love:	Darcy Doyle
Slice of Fellowship:	Betty Forrest
Social Action/Green Sanctuary:	Ann Shedd
Stewardship:	Carol Stamatakis
Ushers:	Jenn Wyman
Wayside Pulpit:	Vicki Keller
Worship:	Jenn Wyman
Property:	Bob Hill
Fundraising:	Open (contact Mickey Cronin)
Greens Sale:	Open
Welcoming Congregation:	Open

## **GENERAL INFORMATION**

#### Check the Calendar/ Schedule Meetings

Please contact Susan <u>office@kuuc.org</u> to inquire about scheduling a meeting and do so in advance if possible.

#### **Rev. Michael Appointments**

**Rev. Michaels office hours for September will be Tuesdays 11:00 A.M. - 5:00 P.M.** If those hours don't work for you, please call him to set up an appointment on a different time, day or place: (508) 821-6092.

#### Office Hours for Susan

Susan will be out of the office on Monday, September 2<sup>nd</sup>, but otherwise will be in the office on Mondays 9:00 A.M.-11:00 A.M. & Thursdays from 1:00 P.M. – 5:00 P.M. in September. It's always a good idea to call first to make sure that Susan is in the office – 352-1719.

#### OCTOBER MESSENGER DEADLINE:

The deadline for the October *Messenger* will be 5 P.M. on Monday, September 23rd. Going forward, the due date for Messenger submissions be on the 23rd of each month with the only exceptions being the January Messenger (submissions due at 5 P.M. on December 17, 2019). Send all your articles and notices directly to Rev. Michael at <u>rev.michaelkuuc1824@gmail.com</u>.

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