

the Mountain Chalice



Unitarian Universalist Community of the Mountains

June 2022

UPCOMING SERVICES

Our Sunday Services are at 10:30 AM in person
and also via Zoom.

*If you are feeling unwell or have been exposed to COVID,
please attend online.*

TO JOIN THE ZOOM SERVICE AT 10:30 AM ON SUNDAYS:

Online via Zoom: <https://zoom.us/j/746107217>

Meeting ID: 746 107 217 # • Passcode: 688010

Audio by phone: Dial in: 1 669 900 6833 or 1 408 638 0968

Meeting ID: 746 107 217 # • Passcode: 688010

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JUNE THEME: Celebrating Blessings

OUTDOOR SERVICE & PICNIC AT CONDON PARK!!

660 Minnie St, Grass Valley

June 5 **Come to Be Blessed, Come to Be a Blessing**
Rev. Kevin, with Gail Johnson Vaughan, Gracie Kendrick & Jenny Dewey, Worship Associates plus UUCM Members and Friends

In the pavilion at Condon Park near UUCM we set aside time to bless the whole of our selves and our lives, with all that they hold - all that is stretched, scarred, weary, and frightened as well as all that is hopeful, enlivened, ready, and joyous. We will bless all of it. All of us. All of each other. (See Barbecue info on page 6)

June 12 **Music in the Valley**
Jordan Thomas-Rose and UUCM Musicians, Gracie Kendrick and Gail Johnson Vaughan, Worship Associates

This year's annual music service not only celebrates the gifts and blessings of music, it also celebrates the gifts and blessings that UUCM Music Director, Jordan Thomas-Rose has been to UUCM. Jordan's role at UUCM will conclude at the end of June. Come, let your heart be blessed by the tenor and tunes of our wonderful UUCM musicians, and come, let your heart bless Jordan as he turns to the next portion of his journey.

June 19 **Count Your Blessings!**
Lindsay Duncel, Worship Leader,
Gail Johnson Vaughan, Worship Associate

Blessings are always raining down on us even in challenging times. Join us this Sunday as we literally count our blessings.

June 26 **Meet the Moment: Reimagining Radical Faith Community**
(a streamed service from General Assembly)
Gracie Kendrick and Gail Johnson Vaughan, Worship Associates

Come early for refreshments in the sanctuary, and share in a video streaming of the largest annual gathering of Unitarian Universalists in worship at the 2022 Unitarian Universalist Association General Assembly (GA) in Portland, OR. Always a rich and inspiring service, this year's Sunday worship is led by the amazing [Rev. Gretchen Haley](#), with [Rev. Sean Neil-Barron](#) and [Shari Halliday-Quan](#). Watch for a special hello from Rev. Kevin, René Wiley, and others, live from Portland. (P.S. Some of the refreshments may be inspired by Voodoo Doughnut, the Portland icon which creates a wild array of rather outrageous doughnuts.)

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Rev. Kevin Tarsa
UUCM Minister

From the Minister

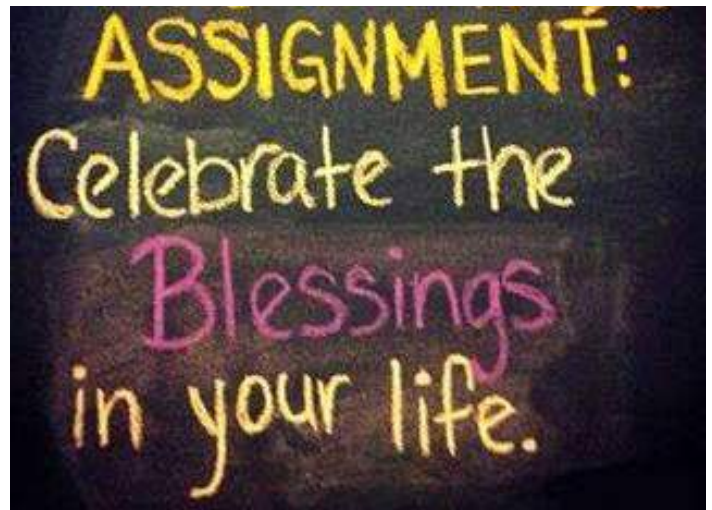
Our final Soul Matters theme of the year invites us to Celebrating Blessings. Ah, a perfect year-ending theme, especially this year. We know it is helpful and good for us to recognize the blessings in our life, no matter what else our lives contain, and yet, and once again our Soul Matters authors point us beyond the usual or obvious:

"... it's not just about widening our view to see the gifts and blessings themselves; it's about widening our understanding of life. Pointing to blessings repairs our relationship with life, allowing us to see it as generous instead of indifferent or threatening. And that's no small thing. Because when the world seems stingy with us, we start getting stingy with others. In contrast, those who feel blessed have little trouble passing blessings on. Life spills into us and we spill into others."

This month, let's celebrate blessings deeply enough to have our world view changed or strengthened in the direction of feeling life to be inherently generous. I invite you to find and to share with others one blessing on as many June days as you can. If you are on Facebook, watch UUCM's Facebook page in June for a daily posting and add your day's blessing in the comments. Or tune into UUCM's redesigned website in June for an invitation to share. Most important, as you meet with and speak with others, take a minute to tell of the blessing that you are recognizing and celebrating that day, perhaps the blessing that that person is to you in that moment.

On Sunday, June 5, in a service and picnic at Condon Park, we'll bless one another in all our very human fullness – warts, scars, imperfections, and all. On June 12, we'll celebrate music as a blessing, and celebrate all the blessing that Jordan Thomas-Rose has been to UUCM in his years here. On June 19, in a story- and ritual-rich service we'll count our blessings. And on the final Sunday of June, we'll celebrate connection, with special refreshments in the sanctuary and joining UU's from around the country in the service being broadcast from General Assembly in Portland, Oregon, the big annual UU gathering.

And of course, all month long, we'll celebrate the tremendous blessing that so many members and friends have been to each other and to this community during these past two years. Your generous giving, your wonderful talents and skills, your tender compassion and caring kindness, your patience, your passion for justice, your willingness to go with the flow of the new



technology, your artistry, your committed care for the behind-the-scenes efforts that keep the building together, the outside beautiful, the finances in order, the teams and committees and circles organized, the newsletters beautiful and informative, the services rich, and people heard and witnessed... oh, so much extraordinary blessing.

Yes. Let us be celebrating blessings this month, all month, and so cultivate a habit that can become a spiritual practice that helps us know life – and each other – as inherently generous and good.

With care

– Rev. Kevin

REV. KEVIN'S OFFICE HOURS

Rev. Kevin's office hours are currently held by appointment.

Contact Rev. Kevin at
(231) 883-1058 or
minister@uugrassvalley.org





Pam Kisor, President,
UUCM Board of Trustees

Board of Trustees

UUCM BOARD OF TRUSTEES

JULY 2021 - JUNE 2022

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Members at Large: Taylor Carey and Janet Dunstan

Board meetings are open to all members and friends starting at 10:30 AM on the third Wednesday of each month. Meetings are currently being held in the UUCM sanctuary as well as on Zoom. An email announcing the meeting and a Zoom link will be sent to the community each month, one week prior to the meeting

If you wish to address the board, please give at least two days notice so the agenda timing can be adjusted.

I am writing this the day after completing our annual Community Business Meeting. Those of you who attended know that I had to conduct the meeting on Zoom as I was sick with a nasty sore throat. I was worried about conducting a multi-platform meeting from Zoom, but it all worked out with only a few glitches along the way. And I am happy to say that we successfully adopted our new budget and elected new board members. I will save the introductions to the board for the next Mountain Chalice, after our new board assembles in July. For this article, as I am still quite under the weather, I am going to cheat a bit and give you a section from my annual report that focuses on our committee achievements this year. The committee members work hard, and this is a good way to spotlight their work.

FROM MY REPORT:

Over the last two years, the transition to our new governing structure has been working well. As we settle into this model, the Board and Minister have been presented with opportunities to reflect on who makes what decisions and to clarify responsibilities. This has allowed both the Board (on the governance side) and Minister (on the ministry side) to focus on what is important in each of the two areas.

Our Board Committees have continued to provide necessary support to the board in spite of lacking enough members.

Our **Governance Committee** Chair, Janet Dunstan has continued her tireless work to organize and align our policies, procedures and committee work. This year three policies have been revised: The Destructive and Dangerous Behavior policy, the Building Access and Keys policy, and minor updates have been made to the Personnel Policy to align with new Federal and State laws.

The **Pandemic Health & Safety Committee**, under the leadership of Gene Gilligan has consistently provided us with the guidance necessary to weather the on-going storm of COVID. With their council the board made every

effort to be responsive to ever changing restrictions and to the health and safety of our community.

The **Finance Committee**, led by Carol Richey, has worked diligently, not only to keep our finances in order, but also to adopt new software, *PowerChurch*, for our church operations. This is a major undertaking, one that is still continuing, and when fully implemented should relieve some of the accounting burden that is now carried by the Treasurer and Finance Committee. We are anticipating that *PowerChurch* will be fully operational by July first.

The **Committee on Shared Ministry**, under the leadership of Lindsay Dunckel and Kathryn Young, conducted the evaluation of our minister this year. They worked to create an evaluation that reflected the respect, mutuality, love, and support embodied in our covenantal relationship with our minister. They focused on areas of ministry that are viewed as key to helping guide Rev. Kevin in his professional growth, thus providing an evaluation that was both helpful and meaningful to Kevin.

As a board member I get to witness firsthand the dedicated work that so many wonderful individuals contribute to UUCM. It is an honor to work alongside them.

Namaste,

Pam



Treasurer News

Bob Packard
UUCM Treasurer

What Role Does the Endowment Committee Play?

Previous articles in this series have described the Endowment Fund. We've seen that the Fund is unique in that, as a true endowment, it can help finance church operations, but contributions to the Fund will "live forever" because they cannot be spent. Churches that have built strong endowments over time are relieved of their absolute dependency on pledge payments and plate donations.

We've also seen that the Fund is built by both regular "Simple" gifts that often honor a special individual or cause, and by "planned" giving. Planned giving allows donors to relinquish meaningful sums of money to their beloved church at the end of their lives. This way we can honor the important role UUCM has played in our life at a point in time when we can spare it without putting ourselves in financial jeopardy.

Those articles have mentioned the **Endowment Committee** and its duties only in passing, so today I want to focus on it. Like other UUCM Committees, the Endowment Committee serves the Board of Trustees in important ways. At its core, the Committee takes care of the fund, encourages its growth, and determines where its earnings will be spent. It can be one of the easiest jobs in the church, but at times it can be one of the most important. The first thing the Committee does is receive donations and coordinate with the Treasurer for their deposit into the bank or the UU Common Endowment Fund, celebrating the gifts so the Congregation will know about them. The Committee keeps a simple record of gifts received and communicates with donors of Simple Gifts, thanking them for their generosity.

It is not unusual for the church to go several months between donations, so these duties require only patience and awareness. During these times, too, the Committee gets "the word" out to the Community on the importance of the fund and the opportunity it presents Community members to really make a long-lasting difference. No specialized knowledge of trusts and wills is needed; donors will be encouraged to get this information from estate planning professionals and, ideally, inform the Committee of their bequest plans. The UUA has lots of planned giving resources online for those who might want to learn more.

The final duty of the Endowment Committee is the annual determination and recommendation to the Board on how

Fund proceeds should be used. The Committee, and especially the Chair, exert the strongest influence on the Board in deciding if and how the earnings are to be spent, or if they will stay intact to help compound interest and maximize fund growth.

Please consider taking on this much needed and very valuable service opportunity. This is a place where you can make a difference for UUCM.

- Bob

Vote For Our Lives



Join the
"Get Out-
the Vote
Postcard
Club"

The UUCM Bending the Arc Task Force invites you to be a charter member of our new "Get Out the Vote Postcard Club."

Each month from June through mid-October members will be provided with a packet of 20 postcards, stamps and addresses. Members who are able cover the \$10 cost per packet. Members who want to support the effort but not write postcards can be "funding members" and support costs for fellow club members for whom cost is an issue.

Anyone can join the club – UUCM community, your family, friends, or anyone who wants to help counter voter suppression and the assaults on our democracy.

Imagine the impact: 30 club members doing 1 packet per month will generate 3,000 voters through October. 50 members = 5,000 contacted. 70 = 7,000!

For more information or to join the club, contact Gail Johnson Vaughan at gail@gjv4kids.com.



Kate Canan, Leader,
Membership Team

Membership Team

Want to Learn More About UUCM and Get Connected?

CALLING BOTH NEW AND EXPERIENCED SEEKERS!

If you've been attending services or checking out the website and are curious to find out more, or if you are already a member and wanting to renew your sense of community and of this religious tradition, join Rev. Kevin, other newer folks, and existing members for meaningful and fun connection as well as information.

UPCOMING ENTRY POINT DATES:

Our summer **UU 101/Entry Point** dates, each held at UUCM, virus permitting, are:

Thursday, June 9, 6:00-8:00 PM

Sunday, July 10, 12:00-2:00 PM (no Kate)

Tuesday, August 16, 6:00-8:00 PM

Come first for a single-session "UU 101," an interactive, introductory session we call **Entry Point**. We'll explore the history, principles, and sources of Unitarian Universalism and our congregation's mission statement. There will be plenty of time for questions and discussion, because, after all, UU is a denomination where questioning is highly encouraged!

If that session piques your interest, you are invited to continue with a deeper look – **Starting Point** – five rich sessions of connection and learning. (This part of the series asks for a commitment to attend all five sessions.) Throughout both **Entry Point** and **Starting Point**, we'll approach Unitarian Universalism and membership at UUCM as ongoing journeys. And rather than simply hearing about Unitarian Universalism, participants will have a chance to *experience* Unitarian Universalism, with awareness that each person brings important insight, experiences and perspectives to this shared journey.

WHAT ARE OTHERS SAYING ABOUT STARTING POINT?

Here are some impressions from the most recent participants in **Starting Point**:

"The Starting Point meetings were deeply meaningful in providing an understanding of UU history, principles and practices; moreover, the meetings sparked with lively in-the-present conversations and sharing that is at the heart of what UUCM is all about. I look forward to being a part of this lively heart-felt community."

– Jeff Gold

"Doors were opened, listening deepened, hearts shared and nurtured...a caring journey into commitment and curiosity began. So much Gratitude all around."

– Carol Nimick

"The Starting Point series was not only a deeply enriching experience, but to be receiving such exceptional service from the Reverend in the form of profound wisdom and knowledge was humbling and filled me with immense gratitude. Each week brought the group into a deeper layer of introspection from within a compassionate container created by Kevin and Kate - allowing each individual the space to share and sincerely explore with vulnerability. I absolutely loved every minute of it and would do it all again!"

– Dahlia Sanders



We'll be scheduling **Entry Point** sessions monthly and **Starting Point** series a few times a year. It is wonderful to have members mixed in with new folks. To sign up for **Entry Point**, to get more information about the **Starting Point** series, or to learn more about UUCM and membership in general, please contact Kate Canan at membership@uugrassvalley.org, Rev. Kevin at minister@uugrassvalley.org, or Carol Fulkerson at admin@uugrassvalley.org.

The Shared Pulpit

Got a Message in You?

After a pandemic hiatus, and in preparation for the sabbatical renewal times next year, Rev. Kevin will once again facilitate a lay sermon-writing seminar for a circle of 6-8 people.

Using *The Shared Pulpit* book and the rich and connective process developed by the Rev. Erika Hewitt, each person will gradually develop a complete sermon over eight sessions, with support, feedback and encouragement from the rest of the circle. Then, willing members will work with Worship Team members and our Music Director to develop a service around the sermon and its theme.

This will be a significant and meaningful commitment, as the group will meet once in June, and then every two weeks for three hours July through September. The experience will function as both a space of learning and self-discovery as well as a small-group ministry, building deep connections en route to deep expression in one's authentic voice. Our hope is that these sermons/services will then be offered on Sunday mornings, and so benefit the Community as well.

The group will find a mutual meeting time once the membership of the group is settled.

Intrigued? Interested? Have questions about it?

Please contact Rev. Kevin soon: minister@uugrassvalley.org

Church Picnic/BBQ

Join us for a BBQ Picnic Potluck!

The first service of the month on June 5 will be an outdoor service at Condon Park followed by a Barbecue and Potluck Picnic, including fun and games for all ages.!

All UUCM members, friends and visitors are welcome. We will have supervised play time at the playground for kids during the service so that parents can relax and enjoy the service.

Afterwards, UUCM will provide hamburgers and veggie burgers, water and lemonade. We're asking everyone bring something delicious to complete the meal:

A - L	Bring a Salad or Side Dish
M - Z	Bring a Dessert

We will also need volunteers to set up, serve as BBQ chefs, and clean up at the end.

Please contact Shannon Dooley-Miller to volunteer: (530) 346-6995 or Shannondooleymiller@gmail.com

Renewal Leave



UUCM Renewal Leave/Sabbatical Planning Committee Update

By George Dunstan, RL/SP Committee Member

By this fall Rev. Kevin will have accrued six months of renewal leave (sabbatical), one month for each year of service. With the Board's approval, he has chosen to divide that important time into two segments, six weeks from October to November 2022, and 4 ½ months between January and May 2023. Such leave is used by ministers for spiritual renewal, study, writing, meditation, and other forms of professional and religious growth.

The congregation will manage the October to November portion of his leave on our own and we will hire a Sabbatical Minister to help us with the January to May portion.

The Renewal Leave committee has been meeting weekly since last October. In January we polled our community on their concerns and priorities about the renewal leave time. Additionally, through conversations with the Board and the Ministry Council which is composed of one member of each Ministry Team, we have identified the specific roles and activities that Rev. Kevin now fills that will need to be met during his leave and how those needs will be met.

We have developed a job description for our Sabbatical Minister that has just recently been posted and we are ready to receive applications. This renewal leave will also be an opportunity for growth for our community as some of Rev. Kevin's roles will be taken on by the Ministry Teams while other roles will be filled by the Sabbatical Minister.

Please send any questions you may have to renewalleavecommunications@uugrassvalley.org

Your Renewal Leave/Sabbatical Planning Committee,
Gail Johnson Vaughan, Kern Hildebrand,
Taylor Carey (Board Liaison) and George Dunstan



Parish Care

Gwen Eymann
Leader, UUCM Parish Care Team

By Jenny Dewey, Member, UUCM Parish Caring Team

Have you ever thought about HUGS? During the pandemic, when hugging was forbidden, the meaning of what it is to give, or receive, a hug took on whole a new meaning. Hugging is fundamental, from the time a baby is born to when someone dies. Many creatures hug. Orangutans hug their offspring for years. So do chimpanzees, monkeys, and gorillas.

Where would we all be without hugs? My cat requires regular doses of hugs, squeezes, caresses, embraces, and of course, meals on demand.

We found out the importance of hugs when the risk of contracting an incurable virus forbade close contact. Rubbing elbows took the place of hugging. Most people found this a lame expression of affection. Better than nothing, one supposes. Better than staring into a friend's eyes wondering what to do next.

Showing we care about each other may be by hugging, but spend a minute thinking about other ways. You will make discoveries. You may come to realize looking at someone tenderly replaces a hug. Or sitting by someone's bedside, or taking a child's temperature, or smoothing the frizzy hair on your dog.

Consider joining a group of people who focus a good deal of their time on showing they care. This group is called, go figure, The Parish Caring Team. In spite of lingering questions about getting the virus the Caring Team is as active as ever. A short list: delivering groceries, prescriptions, shopping, making phone calls, sending pet cards and cards for people with illness or broken bones.

If you are interested, please contact a Caring Team member. See below for contact email addresses.

PARISH CARE TEAM MEMBERS:

Gwen Eymann, *chair*, Jenny Dewey, Penny Harlan, Robin Hart, Carol Hyndman, Anne Lyon, Cheryl Morris. (*We miss Holly – she and Jeff are settling into a new life in New Mexico.*)

QUESTIONS?

PLEASE CONTACT:

Caring@uugrassvalley.org
or hennifreed@gmail.com



Lay Pastoral Care Team

Are You Facing a Challenge in Your Life?

UUCM's Lay Pastoral Care Team (LPCT) offers a confidential, caring presence to congregants undergoing stressful life challenges. With the support and guidance of the minister, team members commit to be available for weekly caring conversations of up to one hour, and for the duration of a congregant's current challenge or until a time of closure arises naturally.

Please reach out to Rev. Kevin (minister@uugrassvalley.org or (231) 883-1058) or a member of the Lay Pastoral Care Team when you are facing difficult and stressful portions of your journey and if you feel that a companioning presence from one of our team members might be helpful to you.

LAY PASTORAL CARE TEAM MEMBERS:

George Dunstan, Carol Richey, Corrie Silva, and Tom Wernigg

Online Giving & More

HERE ARE SEVERAL WAYS TO GIVE TO UUCM...

- If you do online banking, you can set up your UUCM Pledge as a monthly "bill" and then relax...your bank will automatically send a check out on the date(s) you specify. In addition, UUCM will get the whole amount – no fees deducted!
- You can give through [UUCM's Online Giving](#) page. (Choose Pass-the-Plate, General Donation, or Pledge.)
- You can mail in a check for your current pledge or plate offering to: UUCM, 246 South Church St, Grass Valley, CA 95945. (Please designate in the memo line whether your check is for your pledge, including the pledge year, general donation, or Pass-the-Plate.)
- You can give through PayPal at: paypal.me/uucm (Please leave a note as to whether your offering is for your pledge, general donation, or Pass-the-Plate.)
- For a general offering donation, you may text your amount to 833-579-0483. 25% will automatically go to our Pass-the-Plate partner.

Please email with any questions concerning your Pledge. murrington1944@gmail.com.



Art & Aesthetics Team

*Robin Hart, Leader,
Art & Aesthetics Team*

Thank you to all the creative UUCM members and friends that contributed images and physical works of their art for the May 15th Art service. It was truly amazing to see the scope of beautiful art, and hats off to our very talented congregation.

The team met in person at the church in May to go over some projects for the interior space at the church for the Art Service on May 15th, to discuss art shows in the library, and some plans for the foyer that involve Membership and Ushers and Greeters.

While we wait to see what the plans are for our building, Family Ministry is going to use the back yard area as a temporary garden. We haven't completely given up on the mural idea and are considering ways to do a removable mural on fabric which won't require city approval and permits.

The Art & Aesthetics team is pleased to announce the return of art shows in the UUCM library. Photographer Jim Bair is currently showing his landscape work for the next two months, ending in mid-July. Following Jim, Jillian Roberts will be displaying her pottery from mid-July to mid-September and lastly Laura Harter will do a show of her acrylic paintings from mid-September – mid-November.

Take care and keep a rainbow in your hearts!

- Robin



JIM BAIR SHOW AT UUCM FOCUSES ON NATURE

While Jim's career included extensive international travel, wonderful opportunities for nature photography have been in the Western US. This show focuses on scenes from Wyoming, Utah, Arizona, and California. Each photo is edited to emphasize the drama of weather and light. The challenge is to share the sense of being there through a two-dimensional, "still" medium. The goal is for the viewer to feel as if they were almost there, watching a storm crash into massive mountains.... These photos have been sequestered by COVID, and additional images can be seen at www.jimbairphotography.com.

BIOGRAPHY OF JIM BAIR

Jim's photography has evolved for over 40 years leading to numerous awards, several gallery shows and sales of his photos. Being a pioneer in the "digital revolution", he delights in the opportunity to digitally transform a photo into an artistic expression comparable to painting.

His career included serving on the team at Stanford that invented the computer mouse, the graphic user interface and hyperlinks, and implemented the first email system. He has been honored to chair several international conferences, serve on boards (commercial and non-profit), and give speeches

to research and professional groups around the world. He has held several executive positions at companies including HP, Xerox and Bell Labs (CN). Jim has over 100 publications including seven books.

Locally, he sings with the Grass Valley Male Voice Choir, chairs the Welcome Club Camera Group, serves with Kiwanis, is on the UUCM Justice Team, contributes to the Nevada County Camera Club, and writes for The Union.

A Self-Described Introvert

A Profile of Gwen Eymann by Jennifer (Jenny) Dewey

To know Gwen Eymann in action makes it extraordinary that she describes herself as an introvert. A shining example of how unlikely this description is can be witnessed every Sunday Service at UUCM watching Gwen moving about. When I was a newcomer to the congregation, feeling shy and consumed by the urge to flee, watching Gwen greeting people, talking easily, even hugging people, I immediately defined her as an extrovert.

The mystery is solved by talking to Gwen one-to-one. Like many others she began attending UUCM (twenty years ago) feeling uncertain and shy. It took time before she was ready to become involved as a volunteer. She says, "It takes a lot of energy to be socially involved."

This is the introvert speaking.

As the daughter of a doctor, she learned early the value of caring for people. The UUCM congregation offered a chance to be part of a group of people with strong concern for others.

Gwen's life has been altered by tragedy: the sudden and unexpected death of her husband when their daughter was in her early teens devastated them. This event led to a powerful desire to find something everyday life does not offer: to be guided spiritually.

"Nursing and motherhood have given me the greatest joy." This statement reveals a secret "self" hidden within the introvert-extrovert. Nurturing comes naturally to Gwen, and



at the same time she understands boundaries. Perhaps this skill developed when she practiced nursing. Nurses can go just so far in soothing and healing sick, wounded people. There are limits, no matter how much you care.

A kid outside the circle of popular girls, growing up in straitened circumstances, and being alone a lot, helped cultivate Gwen's introverted

side. Wanting and needing meaningful human connections made UUCM ideal ground for developing the person she wanted most to be.

There is, still, the question people are bound to ask: is she or is she not an introvert? Watching her in action, one scratches one's head to sort out the answer.

One thing absolutely and clearly true about Gwen is her courage. When writing a story for a picture book I asked Gwen to describe an event from childhood that altered her perspective on life. She told me about a neighbor who did not mind a small girl's unannounced visits. From this stop she wandered on for a long time through the neighborhood, winding up at the home of a well-known judge. The judge was an impressive figure who might have scolded her. She felt no fear, and no guilt for roaming around on her own. The judge took her home.

Courage – this is part of mystery of Gwen. It takes courage to become involved with large groups of people, to accept responsibility for others, to admit one's shyness and shortcomings and move forward anyway.

Justice Team Update

By Keith Johnson, Co-Leader, Justice Team

Lots of things are happening with justice at UUCM. Here are just three projects you should know about.

- **The Bending the Arc task force** is hard at work sending postcards to voters throughout the United States to encourage greater voter participation. Almost 2,000 postcards were sent to Georgia voters in time for the May 25 primary. Thanks to all UUCM members who sent postcards. Next up is the Florida primary election to be held August 23. Of course, the November mid-term elections are just around the corner—lots of postcards to write!
- **The Get Out the Vote Postcard Club** has been launched to continue our get out the vote efforts in a more sustainable way. Anyone can join the club – the UUCM community, family, friends, or anyone who wants to help counter voter suppression. Each month members of the club will be provided with one packet of 20 postcards, stamps, and addresses. Club members can write postcards, contribute financially to this project, or both. For more details contact Gail Johnson Vaughn at gail@gjv4kids.com. (Also see page 4.)
- **The Justice Team** is finalizing a process for UUCMs “Rapid Response” to events or actions that are unjust. A Rapid Response could be a demonstration, a march, a letter writing campaign, or similar activities. Here’s the plan: Any member of UUCM who becomes aware of an unjust action may propose a Rapid Response and then forward the proposal to a contact person from the Justice team. The contact person will alert co-chairs of the Justice team, who will recommend approval or disapproval of the proposal. The final decision will be made by the minister. If the Rapid Response is approved, the person initiating the request will be responsible for organizing the response with assistance from the Justice team, the minister, and the congregation as needed.
- **Opt in email list for current events:** Would you like to have a handy tool to keep you organized? Have you ever missed participating in a demonstration because you found out about it too late? Did you really want to volunteer for a project but cannot remember the date and time? If so, never fear, your Justice team has the solution! The team is creating an opt-in email list for members and friends of UUCM. If you agree to have your name placed on the list, our team will make sure you receive prompt notice of justice events, demonstrations, and volunteer opportunities. Keep in mind that notification does not mean you must participate in any event or project if you

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Justice Warrior of the Month: Carol Kuczora

by Bernell Scott, Justice Team Member

Carol Kuczora has had a full but difficult life which has long been motivated by the desire for justice. The need for fairness felt instinctive to her and was present from

an early age. Carol says that she actually likes herself now, but her incarnations have been unwanted baby, lonely child, shy teenager, depressed wife and mother, stressed divorcee, and late graduate (in Humanistic Psychology). Her allergy to chemicals led to successful research into its etiology. Also, she has been a caretaker, world traveler, and climate activist. She was a fan of Abraham Maslow and wanted to rewrite textbooks to include love, compassion, courage, creativity, “peak experiences,” and an ethical sense under motivation theory.

After a particularly difficult period in her life, she “fell straight up” to a god-like vantage point where all the mysteries of the universe seemed clear and all the sciences rhymed with each other, reflecting a common pattern. She felt that this Divinity wasn’t an entity, but a principle.

Carol moved to Grass Valley in 1994 to help her ailing father. After his passing, she traveled the world including France, India, Thailand, Cambodia, Egypt, Jordan, China, Tibet, Australia, New Zealand, Fiji, Israel, Palestine, Turkey, and Greece! Most of these trips were by herself.

She defines herself as Spiritual Progressive but decided that she can’t be one all by herself. That’s when she joined UUCM and felt she had a home. She now calls herself a born-again Unitarian. (Until then she had proudly called herself an atheist.) She also joined other local groups, and she volunteers at the Interfaith Food Ministry and Earth Day. However, she feels that she enjoys a sense of accomplishment only when she writes a letter to the editor. She added that she hopes that the UUCM congregation will recognize that climate change is a dire emergency. In doing so, we should waste nothing, avoid plastic, drive less, use the train, save water, and buy used goods. We should also move savings out from banks that fund fossil fuels, and we should lobby governments, manufacturers, and distributors to do the same.

Thank you, Carol, for sharing the story of your remarkable life with us. We are indeed fortunate to have you in our congregation.

Justice Task Force Updates

do not wish to do so. The Justice team alerts you about what is going on but it is your decision to take action or not. Please contact Keith Johnson or Bob Miller if you wish to be included in the opt-in email list for justice.

Stop the Mine Task Force in Major Push Against Huge Threat

By Jim Bair, STM Task Force Leader



The STM Task Force has been exceptionally active testifying, writing letters to the Board of Supervisors, getting businesses to sign the petition to stop the mine, personing tables in public venues (our Briar Patch table was very popular!), putting up signs, and more.

Progress on Top Objective. To move toward our objective, we are scheduled to meet with

Supervisor Sue Hoek, (District 4) Board Chairperson, on May 2. Of the five Supervisors (Sue, Heidi Hall, Ed Scofield, Dan Miller, and Hardy Bullock), Sue appears to be the most undecided.

Scofield and Miller are very likely to vote for the Mine, and Hall and Bullock are almost certainly to vote against it, as is Lisa Swarthout, if elected. Sue is likely the swing vote, but she is up for re-election. Subsequent personal meetings are to be with Hall and Scofield.

While UUCM may not endorse particular candidates, we can share where candidates stand on issues. Here are the candidates for June 7:

District 3: Valentina Masterz, Patti Ingram Spencer, Lisa Swarthout

District 4: Calvin Clark, Susan Hoek

Those underlined are predicted to oppose the Mine. Restaurant owner Masterz has no experience but vocally opposes the Mine (and thus will be barred from voting on it if she were to be elected.)

Hundreds of Comments Delivered. Despite the overwhelming opposition expressed in comments on the DEIR (Draft Environmental Impact Report) there is still danger that political predisposition will prevail in the Board vote. We pushed hard to get comments written and attendance at the County Planning Commission special hearing, and helped get one of the largest turn-outs ever to a Planning Commission meeting: **About 450 citizens overflowed the County meeting facilities on March 24!**

Despite forcing the DEIR to be rewritten because it didn't

provide valid mitigations of dozens of negative impacts, the **Mine's revised version could still be approved by the Board of Supervisors** in a few months.

Backroom Intrigue. Frank Lawrence, our Nisenan attorney, wrote a scathing legal DEIR comment for the Nisenan. Even though State law requires that the Tribe be consulted on matters impacting their ancestral land, they were not. The CEO of Rise Mine, Ben Mossman, responded with a private email to the County Planners and Frank saying, "*The county is so naive in trying to assist this group to gain status. Welcome to Canada.*" There has been outrage!

Be Active Now. Soon the County's *Economic Impact Study* will be released and we need to be ready for public hearings. Claims of economic value by the Mine are refutable, but we have to get the word out. Letters and testimony to the Board on **economics** are crucial at this time. There are some persons who believe that jobs and County revenue are worth the risk of lethal air pollution, water and well loss, serious noise, explosives, traffic, and environmental destruction. Let's continue to be a voice against falsehoods.

Bending the Arc Toward Justice

By Jim Perkins, BTATJ Task Force Member

Bending the Arc is still getting organized, but we have already taken some steps. We have five compiled Initiatives for **Bending the Arc**. The following is a summary of each and a contact person if you want more information or wish to join.

Initiative #1 Show up in role of servants for BIPOC events. No events yet. Lindsay Dunckel (lindsaydunckel@gmail.com)

Initiative #2 UUCM to adopt 8th Principle prior to 2023 General Assembly. Brainstorming and planning. Janet Dunston (janetldunstan@gmail.com)

Initiative #3 Take action against voter suppression. Researching organizations fighting voter suppression with which we can collaborate. Keith Johnson (kjohnson.uucm@gmail.com)

Initiative #4 Send 5,000 postcards encouraging people to vote. Approximately 43 people, including eight from outside UUCM, completed 1850 cards. Next objective – Florida primary election August 23rd. Set up Get Out the Vote Postcard Club. Steve Temple (srtemple@ucdavis.edu)

Initiative #5 Disseminate information about, and encourage participation in, local candidate forums impacting racial equity. Support League of Women Voters candidate forums; prepare and disseminate candidate profiles; publicize the forums. Gail Johnson Vaughan (gail@gjv4kids.com)

We have taken on a major workload of exciting projects. Come join us and make a difference!



INTERFAITH FOOD MINISTRY UPDATE

By Anne Lyon

IFM welcomes the month of June! Many, many thanks to all of the volunteers who share their time and energy helping to package and deliver to our residents in need. A dramatic increase in the number of its clients in 2022 puts IFM in need of more volunteers to help. If you have a little time to volunteer a couple hours per month, please call 273-8132 or visit interfaithfoodministry.org.

Help is needed distributing food on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays. They need more help packing and sorting food on Tuesdays, Thursdays and Saturdays, as well as volunteers for their two gardens in Nevada City and Cedar Ridge. Please contact Anna Gloria at AnnaGloria099@gmail.com or call her at (530) 277-2926.

Join us on July 2 for the **Unity in the Community Thrive Event** in Western Gateway Park, Penn Valley. A family event, it will include live music, children's activities, food trucks and more. There will also be a food drive to benefit IFM and Nevada County Food Bank, so please remember to bring something to contribute.

IFM is considering fundraisers to explore a zero waste option purchase of a biochar device which processes green waste into hydrogen fuel cells to provide back up power. (See The Union article from May 18, 2022.) This would help IFM become energy independent. If you're interested in supporting the bio digesting cause, see IFM's website: [Interfaith Food Ministry](http://interfaithfoodministry.org)



Share the Plate

[Citizens for Choice](#) will receive \$789.45, thanks to UUCM members and friends, to provides compassionate, confidential, non-judgmental reproductive health care services for adults and teens through [The Clinic!](#) in Grass Valley. The recent Supreme Court leak regarding Roe vs Wade highlights the importance of this kind of local organization.

We are currently completing May collections for [Child Advocates of Nevada County](#), which recruits, trains and supports Court Appointed Special Advocates (CASA), volunteers who advocate for the best interests of abused and neglected children in courtrooms and communities. **Child Advocates** also provides healthy baby home visits, through which new and expecting parents learn to solve problems, manage, stress, and enjoy and understand their child at every stage, from infancy to kindergarten.



Our June partner, the [Nevada County Veterinary Disaster Response Team](#) (NCVDRT), also known as Nevada County Animal Evacuation, got started during the 49er Fire in 1988 and helped evacuate animals to a safe place. Animals who are evacuated by NCVDRT are housed, fed and receive medical attention if needed. Since then, NCVDRT has been mobilized for other fires, and provides mutual aid when called on for fires and floods in other counties.

Thank you for your compassion- and justice-centered generosity.

Opportunities for Service

Now that we are getting together in person, we have a greater need for people to help out on Sunday mornings. Here are some teams that need to be staffed so we can be the welcoming and cheerful place we were prior to the pandemic. Hopefully you will find a job you will enjoy doing...

Music Team

New Music-Related Opportunities

Be part of a new Music Team (nee "music committee") to support great, effective, fun, and moving music at UUCM, to support music staff, and to imagine and organize musical events outside of Sunday services – concerts, sing-alongs, drum circles, etc. Maybe this is the way you feel drawn to bring your interests and gifts to UUCM right now.

Help celebrate Jordan's musical ministry with UUCM.

Rev. Kevin is looking for a few more people to help imagine and plan how to say "thank you, farewell, and we wish you well on your journey." Jordan's final active Sunday with UUCM will be June 12, Music Sunday. How about you?



*Jordan when he arrived
at UUCM*

Hospitality Team

Be Part of the Hospitality Team

Hospitality Team members help with refreshments after Sunday services, including setup, hosting, and cleanup. The goal is to provide a warm, relaxed, cheerful (and yummy!) atmosphere in which newcomers and members can connect and get to know one another.

Elizabeth Rose has gotten things rolling. Are you willing to sign up to help on given Sundays? To bring some goodies, when the time comes? To be part of an organizing team? Please contact hospitality@uugrassvalley.org.

Sunday Greeters

Be a Sunday Greeter!

WELCOME PEOPLE TO THE SERVICE.

We are seeking both on-site and on-line welcomers to greet people as they arrive and to help everyone feel as at home as possible throughout the service. If you are a person who feels drawn to help others feel at home, this could be just the opportunity for service you've been looking for! Here's the evolving [Current Greeter Job Description](#).

There are also behind-the-scenes needs and "welcoming" roles on Sunday morning, like making sure the walkway is swept, that restrooms have toilet paper and paper towels, that the heat/air is on, that the U.S. Flag is put up and taken down, that handicap parking signs are put out and taken in, etc.

These are great ways to contribute to the well-being of this community. Contact Laura Harter at Welcome@uugrassvalley.org.

Library Team

Maybe being part of our **Library Team** is just your thing, whether for you that means helping with an initial pass at sorting through the books, being part of a small team to manage the library this coming "church year," or doing data entry.

We're happy to announce that Phil Horning will be working with the Art and Aesthetic teams to curate the quarterly art displays in the library, a role Eileen Hale had held for several years pre-pandemic. Thank you, Eileen, Phil, and Robin!

Interested in the library effort? Please contact Rev. Kevin at minister@uugrassvalley.org.



Community Connections – Online Activities

Staying Connected through Zoom

UUCM is open again, but most services and meetings are still available via Zoom.

The Board has eased restrictions to allow full in person services and masks are not required, but not discouraged.

WEEKLY @ UUCM

Watch your email for Zoom links and phone numbers. If you need links, please contact uucmOnline@uugrassvalley.org

SUNDAY SERVICES - 10:30 VIA ZOOM OR ON-SITE

REGISTRATION NO LONGER REQUIRED FOR IN-PERSON ATTENDEES

Please do not attend in person if you are feeling unwell or have had a COVID exposure. Masks not required, but recommended for those at high risk for illness. Should CDC guidelines change or Nevada County's infection rates increase, our attendance policy may also change.



SUNDAY DROP-IN SUPPORT CIRCLE - 12:00 PM

Confidential Peer support. The circle's mission is to provide a place for UUCM folks to drop in (now via Zoom) to give and get a little extra support. Our meetings usually last for 45 to 50 minutes, and the format is a circle where we take turns

(usually about 3 minutes) to share what is present for us. Sharing is confidential. If there is time remaining we do extra sharing in a popcorn fashion. (Advice should be given only when requested or with permission.) We are a sharing and support circle rather than a therapy session.

Please join in as it will serve your spirit, knowing that your presence will be a gift to others.

UUCM Groups Meet via Zoom AND In-Person

There are many groups that meet regularly at UUCM which have moved their meetings to the Zoom app while the danger of exposure to COVID-19 continues. In addition, a few groups are opening up to in-person meetings, observing social-distancing and wearing masks if some in the group are uncomfortable without. Please contact the individual organizers if you are interested in joining!

SINGING MEDITATION CIRCLE

First Thursdays, 7-8:30 PM, on-site and via Zoom
Contact SingingMeditation@uugrassvalley.org

HUMANIST DISCUSSION GROUP

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 1, 10:30 AM

The next meeting of the UUCM Humanist Discussion Group will be on Wednesday, June 1st at 10:30 at UUCM and we will have Zoom set up for anyone who won't be able to attend in person: [Humanist Zoom Meeting](#)



In June, we'll be discussing an article from "The Nation" titled "Shrinking the Economy to Save the World, the End of Growth" and here's a link to the article:

<https://www.thenation.com/article/environment/degrowth-movement-economy/>

I look forward to seeing you on June 1st for what's always an interesting discussion. To be added to the Humanism Discussion Group email list, please contact George Dunstan: Humanism@uugrassvalley.org

WALKING GROUP - NOW AT 8:00 AM

Tuesdays: Wolf Creek Trail, meet at the Northstar Mine Parking Lot, 8:00 AM. Thursdays: meet at 418 Chapel St, GV at 8:00 AM for local walk with outdoor social time afterward. Well-behaved, leashed dogs welcome. Please contact Theresa Houtman at Walking@uugrassvalley.org to get on the list.

WOMEN'S CIRCLE POTLUCK – SECOND MONDAYS, 6:00 PM

All UUCM women (and friends!) are invited to any Women's Circle gathering. Come make connections with other UUCM women, and have a few laughs, share stories and concerns. We've now had two potlucks in a row, and some of us made "Vision Collages" at our May meeting in addition. Come join us! We will continue to potluck so long as the virus is somewhat at bay. If you are not on the Women's Group email list, please send an email to Carol Fulkerson at: admin@uugrassvalley.org and she will add you. You'll get monthly updates and reminders of our meetings, and can participate in discussions about our activities.

MEN'S GROUPS - VIA ZOOM

Men gather to enjoy each others' company. Wednesday mornings from 8:00 to 10:00 AM, and/or Thursday mornings from 8:00 to 10:00 AM. Contact for either group: mensgroup@uugrassvalley.org

Family Ministry offers many ways to serve the life of the community.

Contact Jo Waters if you'd like to find out more! familyministry@uugrassvalley.org OR jowaters@hotmail.com

June: Celebrating Blessings

By Jo Waters, Leader, UUCM Family Ministry Team

Big changes are in store for Family Ministry this summer fueled in large part by the feedback received at our well-attended Mother's Day Event. Gratitude to all who attended and to the two Soul Matters Circles whose donations made this event both possible and wonderful.

First, we will provide programming every Sunday using a one-room schoolhouse style offering. This will be run initially by volunteers and then by a combination of a volunteer and a paid Family Ministry staff member.

Second, we are hiring! Family Ministry is looking for someone to provide five hours a week of a combination of childcare, teaching, communication, and event coordination. A job description is available so please send interested parties to the Family Ministry team leader, Jo Waters, familyministry@uugrassvalley.org or Reverend Kevin: minister@uugrassvalley.org.

Third, young people will attend the service for the first 20 minutes or so, and then the Congregation will sing them off to their Kids Connection activities as we used to.

Fourth, All Ages Services will continue once a month but there will be an option for children to either attend the Kids Connection or stay for the entire service, whichever best serves their needs at the time.

Finally, we have officially kicked off our Service Garden project in the back yard. Linda Siska has graciously stepped forward to be our Service Garden Champion—thank you Linda! Watch your email for notifications of activities for anyone and everyone to come work and play and connect in the garden. Our harvest will be donated to the Mutual Aid for distribution to their clients on Saturdays.

IMPORTANT UPCOMING DATES FOR FAMILY MINISTRY ACTIVITIES

June 5	Service at Condon Park at 10:30, playground supervision provided, BBQ to follow
June 18 6:30 PM	Father's Day work party and appreciation in the UUCM Backyard Service Garden
7:30 PM	Drum Circle in the Service Garden
June 19	All Ages Service at 10:30, childcare available
July 24	Parents' Day Service & Festival, <i>still planning</i>



Full Community Education



Our June Theme: *CELEBRATING BLESSINGS*

A Soul Matters facilitator once shared, "I guess after plan A fails, I need to remember there's still a whole alphabet out there."

Who of us doesn't need a little help remembering that? Especially after enduring Covid for so long. And the ongoing reckoning with racism. And the world's inability to deal with climate change. And political division. You get the point. It's easy to feel demoralized, daunted and defeated these days. With so many things going wrong, it's easy to overlook the many things going right.

For Unitarian Universalists, this tunnel vision is the central tragedy of the human condition, not just of our times. We respect those who frame the human problem as sin or twisted wills, but it's nearsightedness that our religion is most worried about. Which is also why blessings are so core to our faith. They are our way of widening our view.

You see, unlike some of our sibling religions, we don't say a lot of blessings. But we do point to them. For us, blessings are not so much about giving something to each other as they are about helping each other notice all that's already been given.

And it's not just about widening our view to see the gifts and blessings themselves; it's about widening our understanding of life. Pointing to blessings repairs our relationship with life, allowing us to see it as generous instead of indifferent or threatening. And that's no small thing. Because when the world seems stingy with us, we start getting stingy with others. In contrast, those who feel blessed have little trouble passing blessings on. Life spills into us and we spill into others.

And in that overflow, it does indeed get a whole lot easier to notice that there is, most certainly, a whole alphabet out there.

Sunday Book Group

UUCM SUNDAY BOOK GROUP -

FIRST SUNDAY OF THE MONTH AT 12:30 PM AS LISTED

Here are the Book Group selections for June of 2022 until January of 2023:

June 12 1:00 PM	<i>The Paris Library</i> by Janet Skeslien Charles
July 3	<i>The Heights</i> by Louise Candlish
August 7	<i>Madame Secretary</i> by Madeleine K. Albright
September 4	<i>The Ministry for the Future</i> by Kim Stanley Robinson
October 2	<i>Crome Yellow</i> by Aldous Huxley
November 6	<i>The Warmth of Other Suns</i> by Isabel Wilkerson
December 4	<i>Once There Were Wolves</i> by Charlotte McConaghy
January 8	<i>A Country Doctor</i> by Jane Orne Jewett



All meetings will be scheduled for the first Sunday at 12:30 PM, and held in the UUCM Channing Room, *unless noted otherwise*. All are welcome to join for any oral discussions. To request to join via Zoom, please provide at least one week's notice. Please contact Theresa Houtman at (530) 277-9294 or BookGroupInfo@uugrassvalley.org if you have any questions, or wish to be added to the email list.



June 2022 Calendar of Events at UUCM

DATE DAY TIME EVENT DESCRIPTION

JUNE 2022

Please note: Most meetings and services are being offered in person, but also held by Zoom to allow folks to attend remotely. Watch for links and meeting numbers through your email from UUGeneral or the meeting hosts and updates on on-site events.

1	Wednesday	8:30 AM	Men's Group
		11:00 AM	Humanism Discussion Group
		6:00 PM	Worship Team
2	Thursday	8:00 AM	Walking Group/Meet @ Houtmans'
		7:00 PM	Singing Meditation Circle
5	Sunday	10:30 AM	Sunday Service at Condon Park
		10:30 AM	Kids' Connection
		12:00 PM	Drop In Support Group
		12:00 PM	BBQ Lunch at Condon Park
6	Monday	4:00 PM	Stop the Mine Task Force
7	Tuesday	8:00 AM	Walking Group/Northstar Mine
		10:30 AM	Habitat for Humanity Lunches
		4:00 PM	Caring Team Meeting
8	Wednesday	8:30 AM	Men's Group
		4:30 PM	Ministry Council Meeting
9	Thursday	8:00 AM	Walking Group/Meet @ Houtmans'
		10:30 AM	Writers' Group
		2:00 PM	Finance Committee Meeting
		6:00 PM	UU 101
11	Saturday	3:00 PM	Spirituality Sharing Circle
12	Sunday	10:30 AM	Sunday Service
		10:30 AM	Farewell to Jordan
		11:30 AM	Social Time
		12:00 PM	Drop In Support Group
		1:00 PM	Book Group
		2:30 PM	Peace Sing, Downtown Grass Valley with UUCM Singers

DATE DAY TIME EVENT DESCRIPTION

13	Monday	6:00 PM	Women's Circle Gathering at UUCM
14	Tuesday	8:00 AM	Walking Group/Northstar Mine
15	Wednesday	10:30 AM	Open Board of Trustees Mtg
		5:00 PM	Justice Team Meeting
16	Thursday	8:00 AM	Walking Group/Meet @ Houtmans'
18	Saturday	8:00 AM	Building and Grounds Work Party
		6:30 PM	Father's Day Appreciation in the Garden
		7:30 PM	Drumming Circle in the Garden
19	Sunday	10:30 AM	Sunday Service - All Ages
		11:30 AM	Social Time
		12:00 PM	Drop In Support Circle
21	Tuesday	8:00 AM	Walking Group/Northstar Mine
22	Wednesday	8:30 AM	Men's Group
			UUA General Assembly begins
23	Thursday	8:00 AM	Walking Group/Meet @ Houtmans'
		10:30 AM	Writers' Group
26	Sunday	10:30 AM	Sunday Service
		11:30 AM	Social Time
		12:00 PM	Drop In Support Group
28	Tuesday	8:00 AM	Walking Group/Northstar Mine
30	Thursday	8:00 AM	Walking Group/Meet @ Houtmans'



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Rev. Kevin Tarsa Office Hours:

Rev. Kevin's office hours are currently held by appointment.

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