



Champlain Valley Unitarian Universalist Society

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Our Principles

We, the member congregations of the Unitarian Universalist Association, covenant to affirm and promote:

- * The inherent worth and dignity of every person;
- * Justice, equity, and compassion in human relations;
- * Acceptance of one another and encouragement of 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 all existence of which we are a part.

Trusting Change June Worship Services

Sundays at 10 am in our Sanctuary (and on Zoom)

<https://zoom.us/my/cvuusservice/> Stay for Social Hour

June 4—Flower Communion (All Ages)—Bring a flower for our annual communal bouquet celebrating our diversity. Our Flower Buds, Alice Berninghausen and Dinah Smith, will build as your flowers come in. Enjoy Rhubarb Festival leftover items for sale and sampling just before we settle in quickly for our **Annual Meeting**. We'll share our offering plate with *Rutland NAACP* this month in honor of Juneteenth & our new covenant. More inside.

June 11—Farewell Press Conference with Rev. Barnaby

June 18—A Choir Is a Beautiful Thing—Led by music director Ronnie Romano and members of the CVUUS Choir. Sing with us!



June 25—Flip Flop Sunday where you're welcome to wear flip flops. This is really about flipping social hour and the worship service that day. We'll be streaming the morning's service live from *UUA General Assembly*. GA is in Pittsburgh and online. We'll start our time together downstairs enjoying social hour and then head upstairs for the start of GA Worship Service at 11 am. More on GA inside.

Rhubarb Festival Sat. June 3 (10 am—2 pm)

Come early! Pies, sweets & savories, 'bling,' plants, music





Minister's Letter

There's no way to fully express how grateful I am for the opportunity to have served as the Champlain Valley UU Society's minister for the past 11 years.

It would be a fool's errand as well to try to list all we have accomplished together. Yes, we transformed a dark basement into a welcoming Fellowship Hall, modern kitchen, and Library/Meeting Room and new bathrooms, with elevator service between the them and the Sanctuary floor. Yes, we replaced the traditional fall auction fund-raiser with the unique and much more inclusive Radical Love Party. We also introduced new rituals like the Mud Communion that may or may not continue to evolve, as well as new Religious Exploration classes and events too numerous to mention. In the past year alone, we have seen unprecedented growth in our music program and adopted a new social action covenant that will serve us well in our ongoing work to dismantle racism and other oppressions.

But rather than go on, just focus on this: we accomplished this and more in the face of the unanticipated, global challenge of the Covid epidemic, growing threats to democracy, and other disruptive forces that pull people apart. Where did we so often find the strength to stand together? Early in my time with you, I wrote a



Call to Worship that I imagined you wanted spoken in your name. I sense that it's still what you want. It's the rock on which you have built your past and your opportunities to thrive in the future.



*"Come into this house of memory and dreams,
Into this space of compassion for those in pain,
Of truth seeking and deep desire to gather
With people of all ages called to the values of
Unitarian Universalism.*

*Bring the infant in you, learning to trust in love, The
child in you enchanted by mysteries and avid to
play, The young adult in you, skeptical and drawn
to testing limits;*

*Bring the various primes of your life as you learn new ways to nourish relationships and seek
enduring truths; Bring your old age, brimming with awe and sadness and gratitude for all
you've witnessed, And for what you are still learning about trusting Love.*

Let us celebrate our transitions together and our companionship on Life's sacred journey."

Blessed be, Rev. B



Welcome to CVUUS!

Visit us at cvuus.org, FB CVUUSVT, or email office@cvuus.org to follow us.



Arrange access to our spaces

Refer people to how to arrange for our spaces [here](#). They are well-ventilated and feature **wifi access (1BamaDiva!)** and gender inclusive bathrooms. We adjust the permitted attendance level and masking requirements depending on COVID conditions so ask the Office when you schedule. [Watch our online calendar](#) for when we are scheduled and when we are available for your small groups or events.

What Are Your Pronouns?

Celebrate gender identity by designating your pronouns on your name tag. Can't find yours? Notify the Office, an usher, greeter or Ginny Ashenfelter. Check the Welcome Table basket in our lobby for collected and blank ones. Contact Poppy Rees about **CVUUS Our Whole Lives (OWL)** which helps youth explore their sexual identity.

Honoring Indigenous People

CVUUS worship opens with a ringing of the bell and saying: "*We recognize that CVUUS gathers on the land of the Western Abenaki people. We respect their spiritual relationship to the land. We hope to learn from them how we can live together in peace and justice.*" See cvuus.org/

Summer Worship Spirituality & the Arts (July-Aug)

Worship Team led by Ellen Flight hopes you'll **invite friends** to attend our summer services focused on Spirituality & the Arts. The services span the arts in the areas of performance both musical and dramatic, writing, gardening, fabric art, painting and crafts. They'll be led by several fellow congregants and some special guests including Richard Hopkins, Carol Harden, Janie Wulff, Gina Stevensen, Hannah Sessions, Brett Millier, Christal Brown, Jennifer Muskopf, Larry Vandenburg, Ellen Flight, Bethany Barry and Hilary Hatch. **No zoom for summer services** to give our tech team volunteers a much deserved break.



Unitarian Universalist Association's (UUA) General Assembly (GA)

is held every year at the end of June. This year it will occur both virtually and in-person June 21-25 in Pittsburgh PA. **CVUUS can choose four delegates** to attend as voting members in the business sessions, but [anyone can register](#) and attend the many interesting and educational workshops and worship events. Thanks to **Alan Moore, Ann Webster, Kerri Duquette-Hoffman** and **Tom Morgan** for representing us. GA is a great way to meet other UUs from around the country and to learn how other congregations operate. Some sessions are free, like worship. See 2022 GA highlights [here](#).

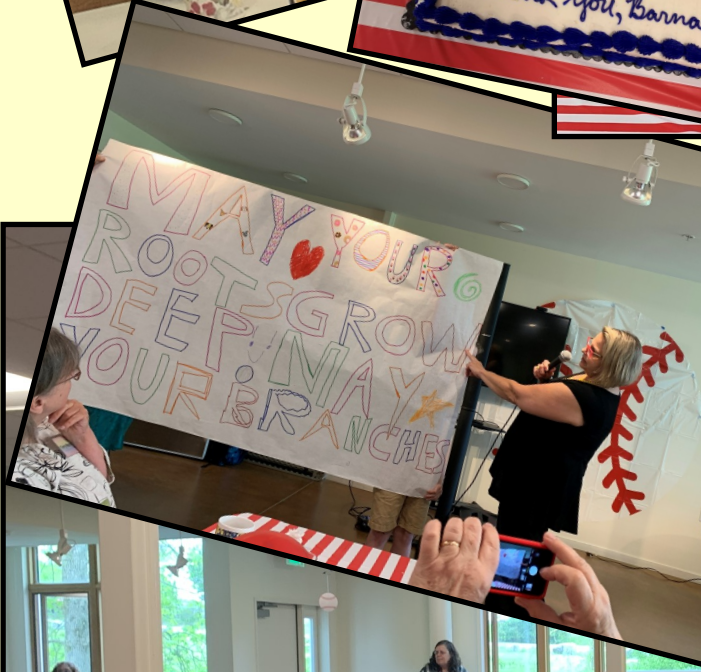
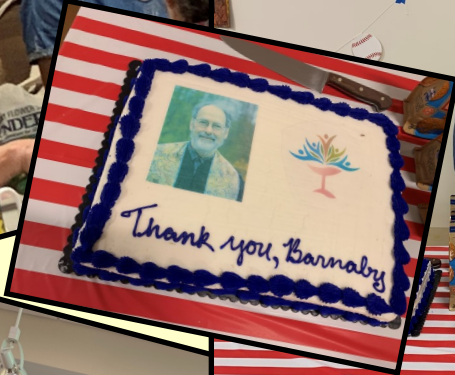
Ware Lecture: Imani Perry Takes place 7 pm EST Sat, June 24. Registration is required. More [here](#).





CVUUS June Newsletter

Rev. Barnaby's Farewell Party Thank You!!





RELIGIOUS EXPLORATION

REMEMBERING GERRY IN RE

Gerry Loney was my amazing dad and a beloved member of our RE program for the past 10 years. As a RE leader, he brought deep respect and love for the kids. His time in RE was important to him and he did it with intention. He was funny and kind. He cared what kids thought about themselves and what they were doing. Their ideas were always asked for and used.

He LOVED weird ideas. He said yes whenever he could. He was real with kids – maybe the most real he was in life. He would do things in RE and when a kid said how cool it was, he would light up, say, “I know! It’s so amazing!” and really mean it.

He (*like me*) especially loved RE groups that had a whole vibe to them. When I came up with the idea for *Undercover Kindness Agents*, he and I spent hours thinking about how to use passcodes to enter the room, if we needed special stationery (*obviously*), and how to have the kids find out about their kindness missions.



**Gerry Loney Celebration of Life
Sat. July 8, 11 am, Sanctuary**



When he led *Harry Potter and UU*, he created a Hogwarts space in the basement, complete with potions, fake brick walls, wizard robes, and wands. He especially loved doing things with kids that had unknown outcomes like setting off rockets and seeing where they landed or having kids share their thoughts about important questions.

He did this all as someone who really tried to live his UU values in the world. I always say that the adults in RE should bring their true selves into the

room because that’s what will let them grow the most and also what will give the most to the kids. My dad was a great example of this.

He will be deeply missed by all of us. We will honor his memory by continuing to do weird and meaningful things in our RE program, as we try to be our true selves.

And – his cameo as “The Star” in our first/only Zoom Christmas Pageant was a thing of beauty.

~ Love, Poppy,
your Director of Religious Exploration





Social Action Updates

June "Share the Plate" Donee



We'll share our offering plate with *Rutland NAACP* this month in honor of Juneteenth & our new covenant (right). The Rutland Area branch of the NAACP serves Vermonters in Bennington, Rutland, and Addison counties by providing education, advocacy, and support around issues of racial justice, equity, and discrimination. *Become a member!* Contact [Caitlin Gildrien](#) about recent and upcoming activities or visit naacprutland.org.

Thanks for your continued support of Donations Ministry. Thanks to all who gave to our May Donee Bristol's Have a Heart Community Food Shelf. Track how much we contributed to them and others at cvuus.org/justice/sharing-donation-plate/.

CVUUS Anti-Racism Covenant

"We commit to journey toward spiritual wholeness by working to build a diverse multicultural Beloved Community through our actions that accountably dismantle racism and other oppressions in ourselves and our institutions."



Donate items to WomenSafe, HOPE, Neat Repeats, JuneBug and Addison Allies!

Let them know you are donating on behalf of CVUUS. *Look for our lobby cart.* HOPE's food shelf provides basic personal care items as well as food to families in need. They're *really low on condiments and jams* and could also use *Depends/Poise products*, toilet paper, dish soap, laundry detergent pods, etc. Donations can be brought to CVUUS or 282 Boardman Street in Middlebury, Monday-Friday, 9-4. Or, if you're shopping at the Hannaford or Shaw's in Middlebury, there are donation boxes for HOPE at the front of the stores. WomenSafe needs self care items also. Thanks!

WomenSafe



Addison Allies seeks a low cost truck to buy.

Send any leads to vciambra@gmail.com

Volunteer & Know You Make a Difference with Your CVUUS Teams

Charter House Dinner Prep Team We make dinner for residents (25-40) every **SECOND Monday** of month. In addition, we provide **baked goods (300 cookies)** for **Community Dinner on FOURTH Friday** of month. We look for 6 bakers to make 50 items each. See [Alan Moore](#). Sign up [here](#).



Meals on Wheels (9:30 to 11:30 am, week days). CVUUS has a longstanding team on **Mondays** coordinated by [Mary Conlon](#). Contact her to cycle in as a regular or sub driver.



Climate Engagement Group:

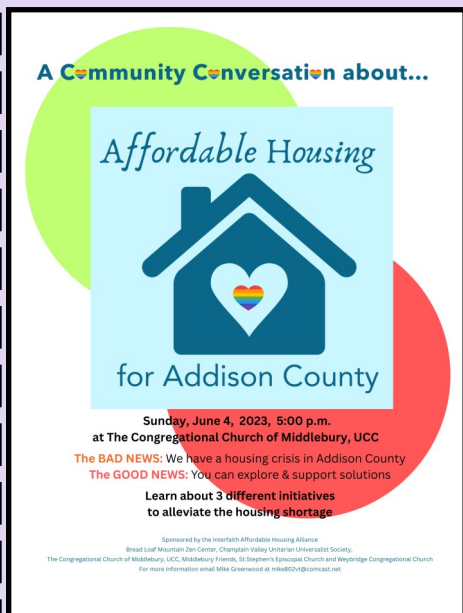
Our E-tool Garden and Landscape Social Hour will be postponed from June till the fall. We are considering a film showing for the community from Vermont Interfaith Power and Light. The Vermont Energy and Climate Action Network Spring Summit, sponsored by Efficiency Vermont, is at Middlebury College (Wilson Hall in McCullough) on Sat. June 3 at 9 am. Locally, the Climate Economy Action Center of Addison County (CEAC) is focusing on residential weatherization to reduce energy use. Visit the [CEAC website](#) for more.



Community Conversation: Affordable Housing for Addison County

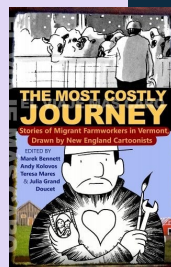
The bad news: We have a housing crisis in Addison County. The good news: You can explore & support solutions.

Come Sunday June 4 at 5 pm to The Congregational Church of Middlebury, UCC to learn about three different initiatives to alleviate Addison County's housing shortage: **HomeShare VT**, **Tiny Homes**, and **Accessory Dwelling Units (ADUs)**. Hear case studies and receive a valuable resource sheet. Sponsored by the Middlebury Area Interfaith Affordable Housing Alliance. See Mike Greenwood or Jean Terwilliger for more or [here](#).



Community Book Talk and Guatemalan Dinner

Come Fri. June 23, 5-7 pm, Fellowship Hall to discuss *A Most Costly Journey: Stories of Migrant Farmworkers in VT* while enjoying Guatemalan food (\$15/person) prepared by one of the Viva el Sabor chefs. Learn about the changes that have come about since the book was published. Share how we can continue to support one another. Hosted by Viva el Sabor, Treleven Farm and CVUUS. *A Most Costly Journey* is a non-fiction comics anthology that presents stories of survival and healing told by Latin American migrant farmworkers in Vermont. For more about the evening, contact Viva el Sabor (vivaelsabor2021@gmail.com). Pre-registration is encouraged to estimate food.





Explore Small Ministry Groups: A Different Way to Do Church

Small Ministry Groups deepen and broaden personal spiritual growth. A group usually consists of 8-10 members who meet monthly. Each meeting is focused on a spiritual or religious topic. We have three longstanding groups that meet monthly plus a new **Zoom-only one meeting on 2nd Tuesdays of month at 6 pm**. Contact [Helene Vanderburgh](#) if you are interested in joining it. More on what small group ministry is all about at [cvuus.org](#) [here](#). To join or form a group, contact Doug Richards (drichard@keuka.edu or 802-989-9387).

Or join one of our affinity groups.

UU Cingles gathers for those aged 60+ to provide company and conversation. Meets **every other Saturday at 1 pm** often at a coffee shop (Stone Mill Patio near Lost Monarch). Watch the Blast. For more, call or email Monty Montgomery, Revell Allen or Marjorie Carson.



Writers Group meets the **second Monday of the month at 3 pm** back on site in **Fenn Chapel**. All welcome. Contact [Bobbi Loney](#) at to be added to list.



CVUUS Sangha & Meditation

You're warmly invited to join us **Sunday evenings at 6 pm** when [Dinah Smith](#) gives guided meditations aimed at those who are new to this or already have a practice. Zoom link [here](#)



Flower Buds Help decorate our sanctuary and Fellowship Hall with seasonal arrangements. We rotate weekend coverage. Contact [Dinah Smith](#).



Music & Choir

As Ronnie Romano prepares to move forward in his own career this summer, heading to NYC to work with Choral Chameleon, CVUUS has begun to **search for a new Music Director**. We know we won't be able to "replace" Ronnie, but we don't yet know what new opportunities the search may bring. You can refer any potential candidates to Music Ministry leader [Carol Harden](#). Ronnie's last activity with us will be leading the Choir Sunday worship service on June 18. The choir will celebrate with a **potluck** the night before in Fellowship Hall on **Sat. June 17 (6-8 pm)** and resume rehearsals in early Sept. Email music@cvuus.org to be added to the choir list.



Celebrating summer!
World Music Day
Wed. June 21
(4-8), Sanctuary

CSAC's Community Bridges Program invited us to co-host **World Music Day** in our sanctuary. Our Music Ministry Team agreed. This annual event since 1982 is held traditionally on the first day of summer as a way to celebrate music and summer. Musicians register to perform at a venue of their choosing at makemusicday.org. Community Bridges lists CVUUS as a site option and publicizes it and hopes we do the same. Focus is on sharing the joy of music. We love that we are a sought venue for music.



The Rhubarb Times **CVUUS 14th Annual Rhubarb Festival** **Sat. June 3, 2023 10 am—2 pm**

We accept cash, check or credit card. Proceeds shared with HOPE.
Come early, as we sell out fast on some items.

RAW RHUBARB: Thanks to the many who donated and chopped stalks and to [Gayle Muenchow](#) for wrangling. We'll have rhubarb in all configurations, including raw stalk bundles for sale.

PIES: Rhubarb (\$20) and rhubarb/strawberry (\$24) pies will be sold. **Small ones (\$15) and slices (\$5)** will also be sold. Some gluten free, vegan. All pies should be on site by 8 am Sat. morning. Thanks to Ginny Ashenfelter, Kimberli Gray, Lynne Balman and others for folding boxes (pick up in lower level storage closet along with pie dishes). Thanks to [Lise Anderson](#) for creating our [online sign-up system](#) and Michele Lowy, Brett Millier and Mary Hadley for wrangling supplies and coaching pie makers. Thanks to all our fabulous pie bakers. We aim for 100. It's not hard. *See how in this fun video: "[Pies With Poppy from 2020](#)" (5.5 min)*

RHUBARB CAFE: Thanks to those serving **rhubarb crisp with Wilcox vanilla ice cream (\$5/serving)** along with assorted beverages in the lower level. Thanks to those making crisp and to [Mike Greenwood](#) for oversight.

SWEETS & SAVORIES: Thanks to those providing & selling jams, baked goods, fresh raw stalk bundles, pie slices, and more and to [Mary Conlon](#) and Marnie Wood for early work getting this started. Any leftover raw rhubarb not used for these, pies or crisp will be available for sale or frozen for future use. Our **CUUK Book (\$10)** will be available for sale.

PLANTS: Thanks for your donations of veggies and houseplants and [Dinah Smith](#) for oversight. Drop off in shade against the sanctuary wall facing Fenn House. Can't find what you're looking for? Head over to Middlebury Garden Club plant sale on town green 9-11 am.

BLING: [Mary Conlon](#) says we're well stocked, but you're still welcome to drop off jewelry, scarves, ties, and other accessories. Happy advance browsing on the main level when you come for choir rehearsal and pie making, thanks to Mary and Pat Schmitter!

MUSIC: Thanks to Carol Harden for organizing this. She welcomes your offerings.

SIGNAGE/PUBLICITY: Thanks to Sheila House for her master work on interior and exterior signage and placement with Bob and Mike Greenwood for the flyer. Can't miss us!

TOP STALKS: Thanks [Lise Anderson](#) or [Mary Hadley](#) for all they do to bring this off.

If it takes a village to raise a child then it takes a community to hold a Rhubarb Festival. Thanks for your help to ensure this community success.





Thanks for sharing your abundance!

Thanks so much to the over 100 people who pledged and those who also offered extra one-time gifts toward meeting our 2023-24 Budget goal.

Planned Giving Have you included CVUUS in your will? We hope you'll consider including a gift to CVUUS. A will provision allows you to make a significant contribution without diminishing the assets available to you during your life. It is easy to arrange and can be easily modified to address your changing needs. Just a few sentences in your will or trust are all that is needed to leave a specific amount or a percentage to CVUUS. Since bequests are deductible from your taxable estate, significant estate tax savings are possible. Let us know so we can thank you! For more information, contact Mary Conlon.

Donating Funds from Your IRA Do you have a traditional IRA (Individual Retirement Account)? If so, then you've made a deal with the Internal Revenue Service: Your IRA grows, tax free, until you reach a certain age (70½ if your 70th birthday was before July 1, 2019, and 72 if your 70th birthday was later). Starting with the year in which you reach that age, you're required to withdraw a minimum amount every year—the *required minimum distribution*, or RMD. There's a provision in the tax code that allows you to donate funds directly from your IRA to a qualified charity, like CVUUS. For more, ask Rich Wolfson.

Have You Discovered Our CVUUS LIBRARY?

CVUUS has several wonderful adult and children's titles and an [online reading list](#) for finding them. **Catalog:** There's a link to our [library catalog](#) on

the CVUUS website under the "Learning" heading. We're happy to locate books for you. Arrange with Office or Artley Wolfson awolfson@middlebury.edu.



Staying Connected

Sunday Morning Social Hour (~11 am): Join exchanges after worship where we check in with each other.

Weekly "Blast" (Wednesdays): Provides pathways for connection with links to our upcoming worships, past services, events. Not getting this weekly email? Contact office@cvuus.org.

Yellow Card Milestones & Passages: Submit them before Sunday at <https://cvuus.breezechms.com/form/YellowCard>

Council of Ministries: Brett Millier convenes reps from our ministry groups on 1st Monday of month at 5 PM to brainstorm and update each other in the Blue Room and on Zoom assisted by Gordon Gibson. Look for the link in our Blast and opportunities galore for you to promote, celebrate and stay connected with CVUUS.



Brett

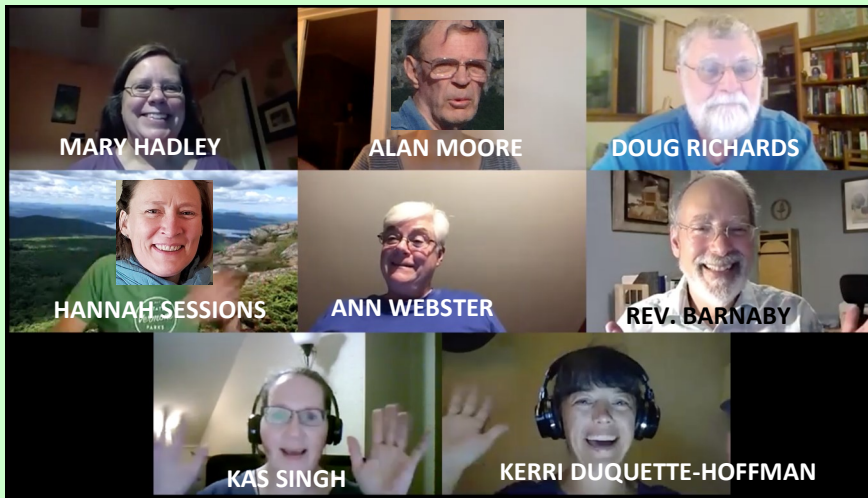


Gordon

Need an update on your pledge or giving status?

Contact our bookkeeper **Cara Mosier** at fm@cvuus.org or 203-314-3347 on Tuesdays when she works remotely.





FROM YOUR CVUUS BOARD 2022-2023

Interim Minister Search Report

Because our regular called minister, Barnaby Feder, is retiring at the end of June, the CVUUS Board asked **Alan Moore, Hannah Sessions, Kas Singh, Heidi Sulis and Tom Morgan** to act as the Search Team for an Interim Minister to begin at CVUUS by Sept 2023. We studied what an Interim Minister is supposed to do, basically getting ready for our next called Minister by helping us to better define who we are and where we want to be in the next 5 to 10 years.

The UUA has a very prescribed system for carrying out this process, and most of our time centered on the period of late April to the middle of May when the UUA lets us know which ministerial applicants are interested in us. Before that time, we carried out some brief surveys of the Congregation to find out their desires for a future minister and let them know what the Search Team's timeline was, and what we were doing. We then developed a Congregational Record, by answering a very thorough questionnaire which was then shared by the UUA with interested ministers. We also developed an additional packet of information shared with those ministers who selected us as a congregation they might like to serve.

The Transitions Office then let us know on May 1st which ministers had expressed interest in CVUUS. There were three. We checked their ministerial record which gives us a lot of information about each minister's ministerial history, and their views on multiple issues relevant to an Interim Minister's role. We then conducted interviews with each applicant, using a set list of questions we had developed. ***Talking to the references - UUs from all over the country – and then with the Ministers, was an inspiring and motivating experience for us all, and left us with a very positive view of the future of UU. This was undoubtedly the best part of the search process.***

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After interviews, we needed to rank our applicants in order of our preference. We all agreed that all three applicants would be great for CVUUS, but that one stood out. The Transitions office then took our preferences and matched them with the minister's preferences. Unfortunately, on May 16th we were told that no match was able to be made. We were among 15 of 35 congregations that did not receive a match. All those congregations, including CVUUS, were then entered into the Contract Minister search, which began immediately. We are optimistic that this more flexible search system will lead to positive results for CVUUS.



You're invited! CVUUS Annual Meeting ONSITE & ONLINE via Zoom

Sunday, June 4, after worship (~ 11 am)

Login in at <https://zoom.us/my/cvuusservice/>

Please come to vote on next year's budget and other important things, to hear about this past year, and to say thanks to various people. Only official members are allowed to vote, but ANYONE may speak.

[CLICK HERE FOR ALL THE OFFICIAL DOCS](#)

WHAT HAPPENS AT IT? COOL REPORTS:

- Board of Trustees
- Treasurer
- Nominating Committee
- Transition Ministry Team (see page 11)

EXCITING VOTES:

- next year's budget (including staff compensation)
- Board of Trustees members and officers
- Nominating Committee members
- Endowment Fund

OTHER: anything else you want to bring up

HOW DOES VOTING AT THE MEETING

WORK? We follow our version of [Robert's Rules of Order](#). Ideally, the rules maintain a good balance between robust discussion and reaching decisions in a timely fashion.

CVUUS ZOOM: Ask Laura (388-8080 or office@cvuus.org) how you can request a cvuus zoom meeting. **To "claim host" once you are in:** Click on your name in "participants" and scroll down below the list of names and click "claim host" and where it asks for the "host key", put in these 6 numbers: **364568**. Click claim.

CVUUS HOSTS RETREATS & EVENTS

We continue to welcome groups. Our next door neighbors Mary Johnson Child Care Center staff appreciate use of our parking lot during the week. [Watch our online calendar](#).

--**Al-Anon** for families and friends of Alcoholics meets weekly on Wednesdays 1:30-2:30 pm in Fenn Chapel, seeks anonymity.

—**PEO (Philanthropic Education Organization)** meets 3rd Thursday of month at 4 pm in Fenn Chapel. Contact [Anne Christie](#) 388-4347

--**Wellspring Singers** (Hospice) rehearse on Tuesday at 5 pm in our sanctuary until June 13 and take off for the summer. Contact Priscilla Baker if you want to join them in the fall.

--**Counseling Service of Addison County Training** again on June 5-7 and June 12 & 22 (9-4) in Sanctuary & Fenn (avoid access).

--**Bat Mitzvah**, Sat. June 10, 10-1, Sanctuary & Fellowship (avoid access).

--**Milk & Honey Quilters Guild "Sit & Sew,"** Sat. June 17, 9-4, Fellowship

--**World Music Day**, Wed. June 21, 4-8, Sanctuary hosting with CSAC's Community Bridges Program. Free.

--**CEAC Board Retreat**, Thur. June 22 (1-5 pm), Fellowship

--**Community Book Talk & Guatemalan Dinner**, Fri. June 23, 5 pm, Fellowship

--**CSAC Emotional CPR Training**, Mon June 26, 4:30 pm, Fellowship

NO PARKING! Along streets (Duane, Water, Charles) or at ACSD Building lot (208 Charles). No parking at MUHS lot when school is in session unless permission cleared by Office. **RESERVED PARKING!** In our lot for those who need accessible spots.





CVUUS June Newsletter



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*Missing you?
Contact the Office.*

Margot Fenn Borden Celebration of Life

Sat. June 3, 1:30 – 4:30

Waybury Inn. Casual drop-in to share stories and her favorite sweets & savories.

Margot, 97, died Jan 18, 2023 at the home she shared with her daughter Laurie and son-in-law Richard O'Donohue in Montana since they moved west from Addison County. Her spirit sparkled until her last breath.



Wheel of Life CVUUS commemorates births and deaths. **Milestones and Passages** are shared each Sunday. Also see **Seasons of Life Fund** below.

Online Giving <https://cvuus.breezechms.com/give/online> See how to choose options at cvuus.org/connection/donate or by code to right.



for online giving



CVUUS Seasons of Life Fund

Share your joy or concern with the CVUUS community. Members and friends can commemorate personal milestones and passages through financial gifts to CVUUS that provide extra money for us to fulfill our mission statement. The names of the donors are noted in our monthly newsletter. There is no minimum amount and the size of your donation will not be made public. Please consider the Seasons of Life Fund the next time you—or someone you know—want to honor a birthday, marriage, retirement, anniversary, death, or achievement.



Our Caring Network (CN) provides support, such as calls, visits, meals, and rides, to those in need. Please contact Kathryn Schloff (802-349-5264 or kathrynschloff@gmail.com) to make arrangements or to join her, Michele Lowy, Dale Birdsall, Ted Scheu, Marjorie Carsen, Ginny Ashenfelter, Morris Earle and Lynne Balman in this meaningful work. **Thanks for completing the Caring Network (CN) Survey** (yellow form) last month for feedback on utilizing the Library of Things and providing for the needs of those at CVUUS. Stay posted on findings. We'll be reviewing them on Mon. June 12 at 10:30 am in the Blue Room.

Visit www.uua.org to learn about the wider work of UUA and our affiliates.

Visit www.cvuus.org to explore our happenings and most current calendar.

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Climate Engagement – Lise Anderson 734-255-3434
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Donation Ministry – TBD
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Fellowship – Mike Greenwood 349-5653
Finance – Ann Webster 388-7506
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Trusting Change: June
Worship Services 10 am
In our sanctuary & Zoom
Followed by Social Hour
Rhubarb Festival Sat. June 3 (10-2)
Annual Meeting Sun. June 4 (11 am)

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