



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.



September Worship Services

Sundays at 10 am in our Sanctuary & back on Zoom

<https://zoom.us/my/cvuusservice/>

Stay for Social Hour in Fellowship Hall

Sept 10—Ingathering Water Communion: Riding the Waves Together—With Rev.

Christina Sillari, Dir. of Religious Exploration

Poppy Rees, and the CVUUS Choir *What are*

you hoping for at CVUUS? How can we foster a sense of connectedness and community for the upcoming year? Through words, song, and ritual we will explore what it means to ride the waves of life together through co-creating sacred space. Please feel free to bring water to the service (we will also have water). We will use the water in our communion to name our hopes and dreams for this new and interesting congregational year. Kids will stay for the first half of worship and then go to Fenn House for free choice art, games, and building. We'll share our Sept. offering plate with [Resource VT](#) which aims to reduce poverty (more inside).

Followed by the **Pride Parade** in Burlington (starts at 12:30 pm).

CVUUS will be marching in it again. More inside.

Sept 17—A Call Within: My Love Letter to Haiti —Led by Esther Charlestin reflecting on her ties as a Haitian American. We remember that her wedding a year ago on Sept 24, 2022 at CVUUS featured Haitian food.



Sept 24—Immigrants' Perspective—Our Unitarian Universalist values celebrate the plurality of diverse cultures and experiences, as we know we are all enriched by them. Irena Pavlin, Avi Freund, and Jordan Young, assisted by Tom Morgan, will lead us in an exploration of the immigrant's view of America.



CVUUS Sept Newsletter



A New Chapter at CVUUS

Hello to all of you – CVUUS members and friends of all generations!

I'm the Rev. Tricia Hart, one of your two new part-time "contract" ministers. I will be working half-time this year, while the Rev. Christina Sillari will be quarter-time. We'll be with you throughout this church year (and possibly longer, though nothing's been decided yet).

The last few weeks have been filled with many meetings: with CVUUS staff, the Board, Interim Search Team, and lay leaders in several different program areas. As we move into the fall, Rev. Christina and I will mostly be working on different schedules – to make the best use of our limited hours, and to apply our particular skills. Our overall goal is to help all of you meet the challenges and opportunities of this transitional time.

Working with two part-time, unrelated ministers is certainly an untraditional model for a UU congregation navigating a transition from the end of one settled ministry to the beginning of another. It's new for Rev. Christina and me, too! So far, it's been delightful to work with another colleague, and figure out how our skills and interests complement each other. Christina and I have each served UU congregations for many years; after retiring from full-time parish ministry, working part-time with a congregation at an "in-between" time is a good way to share what we've learned.

My path to parish ministry began from my home church in Yarmouth, Maine, almost 30 years ago. Transitional ministry quickly became my chosen specialty – I enjoy the excitement and challenge of meeting a congregation with "new" eyes and ears. In the last 27 years, I've served nine congregations in four New England states, Pennsylvania, West Virginia and Ohio; I also worked as Stewardship Consultant to a few dozen other UU churches around the country. There's much that's similar among UU congregations... and it's also true that each church has its own particular story, which changes through the years. It is a privilege to serve as Minister in any congregation, and to learn and tell that story.

My spouse and partner in ministry is the Rev. Peter Newport – Peter and I worked as Co-Ministers for nine years, after which he retired and I returned to solo ministry. You will get to meet Peter at events and occasional Sundays, though he is continuing his membership at the First UU Society in Burlington. You'll probably get to meet our little dog, Waldo, too – he's become a fan of Zoom meetings!

Rev. Christina and I are still learning about CVUUS. Each of you holds part of this congregation's evolving story, so we'll need your help. Tell us what you love about this church, what you hope for, and how you imagine this next fascinating chapter at CVUUS could unfold. I will be away for a couple of weeks in September, and back on a regular schedule in time for my first Sunday on October 1. I'm looking forward to getting to know you soon.

May September be a month of beauty and blessings!

Rev. Tricia Rev. Patricia Hart, Contract Minister



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

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." Adopted 3.6.23



Rev. Tricia

Rev. Christina

Welcome to Our New Ministers

Rev. Tricia Hart (revtricia@cvuus.org) and Rev. Christina Sillari (revchristina@cvuus.org) began in August for a year as part-time contracted ministers to bridge our search for a settled minister. See their video introduction at cvuus.org. Look for Rev. Tricia in the pulpit most first and fourth Sundays of the month and Rev. Christina on most second Sundays of the month. More in Rev. Tricia's letter (p. 2). Come say hello!

CVUUS Anti-Racism Covenant

Kid wording (draft) *"We will work to make this a place where everyone feels welcome and things are fair for all and we will fight racism and other oppressions."* Adopted 3.6.23



RELIGIOUS EXPLORATION FOR CHILDREN & YOUTH

2023-2024

Connection. Joy. Action. Justice. Community. Join us!

NURSERY infant-preschool

Our time in the Nursery is unstructured and based on the needs of the children in the room. We have age-appropriate books, art supplies, toys, stuffies, things to build with and much more. Our bright friendly space has a changing table and a chair for nursing. Staffed by Sydney Singh (RE alum!) and one of our wonderful high schoolers.



THE SPARKS preK-grade 3

Fenn Chapel is going to get a makeover! And The Sparks will be a big part of it, creating a space that is inspiring, welcoming, kid-friendly and fun - where kids will explore and celebrate their UU values and build Beloved Community. **Poppy is looking for people to move furniture and stuff around!*

NEIGHBORING FAITHS Part 2 *half-year* grades 4-7

Field trips! Explore the faith traditions of Unitarian Universalism, Judaism, Buddhism, Hinduism, Islam, Christianity and more. Discussions, videos, and games explore the values that the faiths share but with an emphasis on their uniqueness. Most field trips are on Sundays (some aren't).

YOUTH GROUP grades 9-12

The youth, with guidance from Advisors, determines the focus of meetings & activities. We aim to include multiple aspects of Youth Ministry including leadership development and empowerment, social action and justice, community, and fun. Day/time TBA (weekend sometime), 1-2x/month.

PLUS all-ages...

Pride March in Burlington

RE Fundays

Annual Ornaments

Solstice Celebration

Christmas Eve Pageant

Cooking for Abolition Kitchen

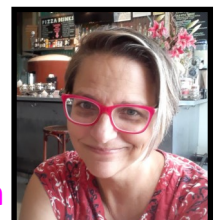
Worship

and a lot more!



If you want to be part of RE as an assistant or leader, please let me know!

~ Love, Poppy - your Director of Religious Exploration





2023 PRIDE VT Sunday Sept 10



CVUUS IS MARCHING IN IT AGAIN! HERE ARE THE DETAILS

WHY MARCH? Our UU faith calls us to show up for people fighting for justice. Plus, it's really really FUN!

BE AT THE PARADE MEETING SPOT NO LATER THAN 12:15

The Parade usually starts at 12:30 (*though it says 12 on the posters*)

You can [park behind the Burlington UU](#), near the starting point, or near the Festival.



Meet at the Hood Plant parking lot: 185 King Street, between Church St & S. Winooski Ave. Ask the organizers there “what number is the UU group” and come find us.

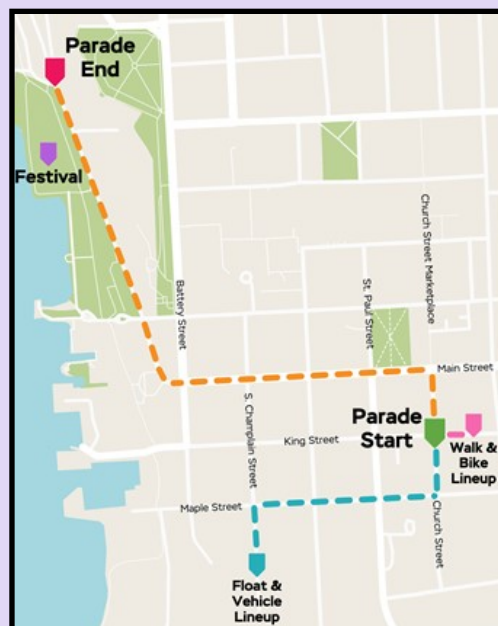
We'll march with high school and people of all ages from other UU congregations
This year the festival village will be at Waterfront Park (not Battery Park!)

Bring LGBTQIA+/Pride flags, signs, noisemakers, instruments or just yourself We will have many festive Pride flags made by kids in RE. Colorful, rainbow, and/or sparkly clothes encouraged. Poppy will have face/arm crayons, stickers, tattoos and more.



The parade route has changed this year! See [HERE >>>>](#)

Link to [2023 Pride Guide](#)





CVUUS Sept Newsletter

Social Action Updates



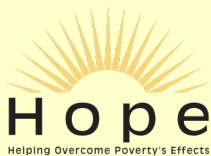
ReSOURCE

September "Share the Plate" Donee

[Resource VT](#) aims to reduce poverty by creating a marketplace for reuse while providing new opportunities to the under-skilled and long-term unemployed through training programs, especially in much needed weatherization, large appliance and computer repair work. **Resource VT** operates stores in Burlington (339 Pine St), Williston, Barre and Hyde Park where you can drop off and seek household goods and building supplies at affordable prices. Not only do their stores keep usable goods out of the landfill, but they also provide economic and training opportunities to Vermonters, especially to adults and youth who have barriers to employment to hone job skills and prepare for a successful work life as productive members of their communities. Their large appliance sales and service technicians can provide full-service repairs to current machines in their warehouses or in your home. They also place and sell a variety of appliances and computers at various retail locations, including at HOPE. Our office manager Laura Asermily donates supplies to them regularly and participated in their weatherization training in 2008 and recommends them highly and hopes you'll support them. For more, visit [Resource VT](#).



Thanks for your continued support of Donations Ministry. Thanks to all who gave to VT flood relief in Aug and to reduced gun violence in July. Track how much we contribute to donees at cvuus.org/justice/sharing-donation-plate/.



Donate items to WomenSafe, HOPE, Have a Heart, Neat Repeats, JuneBug, Addison Allies!

WomenSafe

Let them know you are donating on behalf of CVUUS. **HOPE's food shelf is running very low.** Thanks so much for your steady donations, especially of staples like canned beans and veggies, jams, juice, Progresso soups. Find our food cart in our lobby or bring directly to them. WomenSafe needs and thanks us for self care items which are collected in the box on the lower shelf of the food cart.

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**. Sign up [here](#).



Community Meal Prep Expands: Friday Community Supper (free) resumes eat-in and continues take out at Congregational Church of Middlebury from 5-5:30 pm. CVUUS continues to provide nut-free **baked goods (300 cookies)** on **FOURTH Friday of month**. We look for 6 bakers to make 50 items each & occasional meals. See [Alan Moore](#). Sign up [here](#).



Affordable Housing for Addison County YOU CAN HELP EASE

THE HOUSING CRISIS Spread the word among your friends, family and neighbors in Addison County. Housing advocates say that only about 1,000 people in Addison County know about these resources.

- **HomeShare Vermont** <https://www.homesharevermont.org/> See Abi Sessions, Connie Kenna, Ellen Flight
- **Accessory Dwelling Unit (ADU)** Basic Info: <https://accd.vermont.gov/adu> Addison County Guide: <https://acrpc.org/regional-programs/housing/> See Mike Small.
- **Homes First (Tiny Homes)** <https://homesfirstvt.org/> See Jean Terwilliger.

Addison Housing Rocks! Community Celebration & Benefit, Fri. Sept 15 (4-8 pm) Come to the Middlebury Town Green for music from The Grift & Moira Smiley and food from Viva el Sabor and Full Belly. See John Barstow for more about the work of Addison County Community Trust which is hosting this. He serves on its board.

Community Conversation, Sun. Oct 29, 4 pm, The Congregational Church of Middlebury, UCC Come hear case studies. This is a repeat of the community conversation held in June. Sponsored by the *Middlebury Area Interfaith Affordable Housing Alliance* which meets on the first Monday of the month at 7 pm in Fellowship Hall (except Sept when it's Sept 11 due to Labor Day). See Mike Greenwood or Jean Terwilliger & [here](#).

CVUUS Climate Engagement Team

invites you to consider these.

March to End Fossil Fuels,

Sun. Sept 17, 1-4 pm, NYC, join

350.org VT on the bus from Burlington to NYC with stops in Rutland and Bennington along way! More [here](#).

**JOIN THE MARCH TO
END FOSSIL FUELS**

Finding Balance in Times of Darkness: An Equinox Lament & Celebration of Earth, Sat. Sept. 23, 1-4 pm, Rock Point Center Burlington hosted by VT Interfaith Power & Light, more [here](#).

Pizza & Power: Green & Just Electricity for VT, Tues. Sept 26, 5 pm, Fellowship Hall. Learn where VT's electricity actually comes from, why changes to current law and energy policies in VT are needed to be truly green and just, how this affects ratepayers, and how we can make sure— with your help!— that critical improvements are made this legislative session. Participants will leave with clear next steps. RSVP so enough food & to know your needs [here](#). (And if you don't RSVP, 350VT & CVUUS would love to have you anyway!)

Migrant Worker Solidarity Potluck

Lunch & In-gathering,

Tues. Sept 12, 12 pm, Fellowship Hall: A number of CVUUS folks volunteer to support migrant workers, and others of you may be interested. Let's get together for a potluck lunch to nurture our connections. Come check in with friends, share updates, and connect around what each of us find meaningful in this social justice work. RSVP Lise Anderson (liseand55@gmail.com). Even if you can't make it! Mexican Consulate Visit is Sat. Oct 28 (9-3). More [here](#).



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 **four groups** that meet monthly. Most take off for the summer and resume in Sept. 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 (Little Seed Coffee). Watch the Blast. For more, call or email Monty Montgomery or Revell Allen.



Writers Group meets the second Monday of the month at 3 pm in Fenn Chapel in Sept. 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](#)

Gather (Drop In Community Space)

Volunteer to cover shifts at this new project of the Breadloaf Mountain Community Zen at 48 Merchants Row (open W-Sat 11-4:30, Sun 9-11). See [Colleen Brown](#) if interested. More [here](#).

UU Membership Classes Explore UU history and principles in a series of three to four classes held every Fall and Spring for those exploring membership at CVUUS. Watch the Blast for upcoming ones. See [here](#) for an overview of UU beliefs. Find Mike Greenwood or Mary Hadley with your questions.

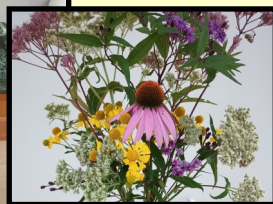


Shiretown Walk and Talk

emerged in spring 2023 by [Liam Battjes Greenwood](#) and meets every other Thursday after school from 3:30 - 5 pm to stroll thru a book chosen by Liam. The next round starts Sept 14 on *7 1/2 Lessons about the Human Brain* by Lisa Feldman Barrett (2020). Dr. Feldman Barrett is currently one of most cited neurologists and with clear, concise and approachable language she invites readers to reframe their understanding of the brain. Liam has read this book twice and hopes to talk with friends about how to apply its lessons to education and human relations. We meet every other Thursday, dance around Thanksgiving and end on the first week of Dec. We will gather at Shire Town market for a snack, chat and then stretch our legs (weather permitting) while talking about how the rubber meets the road in what we just read.



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



rotate in or could help with weeding our grounds.



Music & Choir

Hello everyone! I'm Ronnie, your Music Director, and I'm happy to announce that I'll be adding regular music program updates to the newsletter going forward. There are so many noteworthy things to share that I simply couldn't resist! Music will soon be brimming at CVUUS this fall.

It has been a true joy to watch the music program awaken and grow over the past two years. We now have nearly 30 members in

the **CVUUS Choir** and we want you to join us, too! No audition required. Please contact the Office to be added to the email list or find me at Worship on Sunday.

The Music Ministry Team and I will continue to brainstorm about musical events for the community. We have plans to bring back **open mic night**, host a **contradance**, and to introduce a new **Vespers** service. Stay tuned for more info! Do you have ideas for music events, or maybe want to join the **Music Ministry Team**? Reach out to me

The CVUUS Sanctuary will also continue to host many community music events, including the **Wellspring Hospice Singers** and the **Middlebury College Community Chorus**. I serve as music director for both of these groups and would love to have you come sing with either or both ensembles! Contact me directly by email for more info.



Our **House Band** will also be returning this year to enliven one service per month, beginning with Ingathering on Sept. 10th. You don't want to miss this "blowout" to ring in the new year featuring the band and choir! I also have plans to assemble a **Christmas Eve Orchestra** comprised of CVUUS community members. Please contact me if you are an instrumentalist interested in playing.

I can't wait to get started with everything and look forward to seeing all of your faces around CVUUS. I am so grateful to serve such a creative, welcoming, and thoughtful community of people! Please don't hesitate to be in touch with me about all things music, or anything else! Love, Ronnie, Dir. of Music music@cvuus.org (201-388-4038)

[Click here](#) for Choir Resources





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: Mary Hadley, with Susie Patterson and Louise Cadwell, 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. Look for the link in our Blast and opportunities galore for you to promote, celebrate and stay connected with CVUUS.



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.





YOUR CVUUS BOARD 2023-2024



The Board meets on 2nd Tues of the month at 6:30 pm in the Blue Room & Zoom.

Reverend Barnaby enters into his last year as minister to CVUUS.

Interim starts at CVUUS

New minister begins.

Fall 2022

April 2023

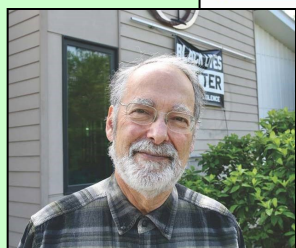
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2023-2024

2024 or 2025

Call interim minister.

Search committee completes search packet and engages in search.



Rev. Barnaby is now the **interim minister** at the [St. Johnsburry Congregation](#). If you know folks who live in the Northeast Kingdom, please let them know his first worship service is on September 10th. They might want to check it out. Also, please feel free to pass on Rev. Barnaby's email address to anyone you know in the Northeast Kingdom who may want to connect with him. He can be reached at bafede@gmail.com. Read the *Addison Independent* story about his retirement in June [here](#).





WHAT CVUUS SAYS ABOUT COVID

We encourage you to care for yourself and each other in whatever ways you can.

1. **If you have COVID symptoms**, please don't attend CVUUS events (unless you know you have allergies or something like that). Help us protect the many people who are high-risk for COVID who regularly come to worship and groups.

2. **If you have been exposed to someone with COVID**, it's fine to come to CVUUS but please follow the current CDC guidelines: mask inside around others for 10 days after exposure AND test on Day 5 (or earlier if you develop symptoms).

3. **If you need COVID tests but aren't able to get them for any reason**, please let us know and we will get you a test.

TAKE CARE! LET IN THE AIR!

VENTILATION TIPS Follow guidance on sanctuary and lower level signs & cvuus.org.

CVUUS Safe Congregation Team: Alan Moore, Will Porter, Mike Greenwood, Poppy Rees, Laura Asermily, Ronnie Romano

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.



RESERVED PARKING! In our lot for those who need accessible spots.

CARPOOL! See map in Fellowship Hall & Go! VT connectingcommuters.org.

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

--**Grief Group (Addison County Home Health and Hospice)** resumes in our Blue Room on Wednesdays at 3 pm starting Sept 20 for an 8 week series. Call 802-388-7259 and ask to speak with Stephanie Corliss or Stephen Payne. They prefer to know in advance if you're coming so they have adequate supplies (and snacks), but you could just drop in.

—**Sonora Vida (small band)** begins using our sanctuary to rehearse once a month on Sunday starting Sun Sept 24 at 1:30 pm.

--**American Red Cross** returns to our sanctuary for blood drives on Thurs Sept 14, Wed Oct 18, Fri Nov 24, Wed Dec 27.

--**Porter Hospital** hosts a Moth Storytelling session on Wed Sept 20, 5:30 pm in sanctuary.

--**Opera Co of Middlebury orchestra** returns for rehearsals the afternoons of Fri Sept 22 and Sat Sept 23.

--**Counseling Service of Addison County** returns for trainings and retreats Tues Sept 26.

--**350VT** returns for climate change events and trainings on Tues Sept 26 and Sat Oct 14.

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.



SEPTEMBER BIRTHDAYS



Deanne Morse 9/1
Nita Hanson 9/2
Livia Bernhardt 9/2
Jeanne Van Order 9/3
Donna Blaszczyk 9/5

Ginny Moser 9/6
Chris Murphy 9/10
Parker Mol, 9/10
Faith Comstock 9/12
Robin Scheu 9/12
Cara Mosier 9/15
Journey LaRose 9/16
Dimitri Rodrigue 9/17
Wesley Morgan 9/18
Bobbie Andrews 9/19
Julia Anderson 9/19
Ellen Flight 9/19
Autumn Spritzer 9/19
Laurie Borden 9/21

Dinah Smith 9/21
Steve Orzech 9/22
Catie Raishart 9/22
Rebecca Burton 9/24
Evy Hickey-Briggs 9/24
Mark Raishart 9/24
Janie Wulff 9/24
Aster Mason 9/25
Abby Andres 9/26
Hannah Sessions 9/26
Gus Goetz 9/27
Chris Hammond 9/29
Melissa Hammerle 9/30
Missing you? Contact Office

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.



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CVUUS Seasons of Life Fund

Share your joy or concern with the CVUUS. 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. Thank you for considering this if 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, Ginny Ashenfelter, Morris Earle and Lynne Balman in this meaningful work. **Refer to the Caring Network (CN) Survey Report** at cvuus.org [here](#) for feedback collected in May 2023 on better utilizing the Library of Things and providing for the needs of those at CVUUS. Look for **"pink cards"** in our sanctuary and our bulletin board in Fellowship Hall for ways to let us know your needs. Caring Network meets on the **2nd Monday of the month at 10:30 am** in the Blue Room if you'd like to join our team.

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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Kas Singh — Clerk	Alan Moore

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