



# Champlain Valley Unitarian Universalist Society

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# LOVE



## 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.

## February Worship Services

Sundays at 10 am onsite & online

Stay for Social Hour in Fellowship Hall

**Feb 4—~~Love~~ & Money**—We all know how important **love** is (or how important we want it to be) in our lives. As Unitarian Universalists, we proclaim **love** as a guiding principle in all of our choices ... and sometimes we can even live that way. Money is another very strong influence in our lives (whether we want it to be or not). How can **love** and money work together? Led by Rev. Tricia

**Feb 11—Universalism: The Heart of Our Faith**—Are you a Universalist? Rev. Christina helps us explore the history and theology of Universalism and how relevant and necessary it is today.

**Feb 18—Between Memory and Hope** “Beloved Community” is a term of art that we UUs use sometimes to characterize religious communities. What’s it supposed to mean? Where did it come from? Beloved of or by whom? Are you “in” or “out”? How can one be sure? Should it even apply to our UU congregations; and what, by the way, has **Love** (CVUUS’ theme for February) got to do with it? Rev. Peter Newport, Rev. Tricia’s partner, takes a deep dive into the philosophy and social criticism of Josiah Royce to suggest some answers, or at least some better questions.

**Feb 25—Putting ~~Love~~ at the Center**—As you know by now, UUA (that’s us!) is engaged in a process of reviewing and updating the foundational statement that says what UUism is, in our time. In a characteristically UU way, we are being invited to help determine language that captures what our religion is about... which is as close as we get to answering the question “What Do UUs Believe?” What do you think? How will it matter to CVUUS in the years to come? Led by Rev. Tricia. More inside.



## Words from Rev. Tricia: Centering **Love**



Are you curious, or apprehensive, or excited about the ongoing UUA initiative to update “Article 2” of our UUA bylaws? (Do you know why the UUA Bylaws might matter, to you?)

**Article 2 of the UUA Bylaws is where our UU Principles are found.** You can remember what the principles say at <https://www.uua.org/beliefs/what-we-believe/principles> and newsletter cover. Many of us (including me) cite these seven principles as one reason we chose to become UU. So, they matter!

The UU Principles are strong statements highlighting the centrality of our faithful commitments to respect life and all of humanity; to the truth that everyone, everywhere, has a right to justice, freedom, equity, compassion and peace. They affirm the *“interdependent web of all existence of which we are a part.”* An 8<sup>th</sup> Principle was proposed a few years ago as a commitment to build Beloved Community, as our congregations *“accountably dismantle racism and other oppressions in ourselves and our institutions.”* Several hundred congregations have so far voted to adopt the 8<sup>th</sup> Principle in their own legal documents, including CVUUS.

Here’s what’s happening now: the very same UUA Bylaws that contain the Principles also call on us to review those Principles and Purposes and Sources (all of Article 2) at least every 15 years. The wise founders of the UUA knew life does not stay the same – ideas shift, cultures modernize, and world events affect all of us, and our planet. The statement of our core principles needs to reflect what matters most to Unitarian Universalists, today. Sometimes, that means they need to change.

An Article 2 Commission has been working for years on a revision of our principles, with lots of feedback from UUs everywhere. The goal is make them more inclusive of different generations and backgrounds; more focused on our lives not just as individuals but our life in community. The central ideas of all the current UU Principles are incorporated into in a simple, beautiful design, with Love at the center. I think you’ll come to like it as much as I do.

Do you have questions about Unitarian Universalism – where we came from, what challenges and opportunities we’re facing now, and in the future? I hope you do, and that you’d like to talk about it – with each other and with me! Mark your calendars for a **special Congregational Conversation after the service on Sunday, February 25, hosted by the Council on Ministries and the Membership Team – Everything You’d Like to Know About Unitarian Universalism.**

I hope to see you there! Many blessings, Rev. Tricia





## Welcome to CVUUS!

Visit us at [cvuus.org](http://cvuus.org), FB CVUUSVT, or email [office@cvuus.org](mailto: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](http://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 Ministers

Rev. Tricia Hart ([revtricia@cvuus.org](mailto:revtricia@cvuus.org)) and Rev. Christina Sillari ([revchristina@cvuus.org](mailto:revchristina@cvuus.org)) began in August as part-time contracted ministers to bridge our search for a settled minister. See their video introduction at [cvuus.org](http://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. They're guiding us in meeting our Board's goals for this year. Say hello!







## RELIGIOUS EXPLORATION February 2024

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

If you have looked at the [RE Calendar for Jan-June 2024](#) - and I'm sure you ALL have, cough, cough - you may have noticed 8 Sundays are labeled in a surprising way. They say, "**Jet Pig.**"

Maybe this seems normal, coming from me? I don't really know how fully you have all realized how ~~weird~~ unique amazing our RE program is. Pigs, same old, same old.

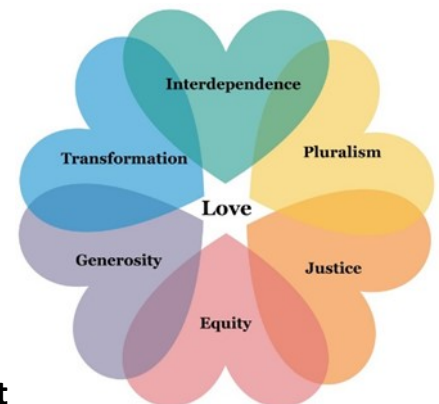
But it's NOT! **Jet Pig is a unique sort of pig! Jet Pig usually wears a jet pack, powered by Love!** Jet Pig can talk! Jet Pig is furry for some reason, uses they/them pronouns, and loves to sing though they don't always remember the words. Jet Pig is a life-long UU.

They have come to spend the rest of the year with us! **If you are at worship or RE Sunday - February 4 - you'll get to meet them.** They have come to help with RE and other CVUUS things and help us learn about and explore something very cool that is getting voted on at this year's UU General Assembly in June. It involves a **proposed reworking of the current UU 7 Principles and 6 Sources** - the heart of our faith and what we try to live into, as UUs.

The world has changed a lot in the 39 years since we last looked at our faith beliefs as written. Unitarian Universalism is in a new phase of growth and transition, just like CVUUS. **It's an exciting time, full of opportunity.** Our faith is an ever evolving one, always striving to be relevant, and at the forefront of what the world needs today. That's what we mean when we say we are a "living tradition."

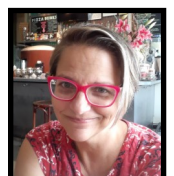
**There is a proposed new version of the Principles and Sources.** Our current UU values would become "Values", with Love at the center. BIG love. Jet Pig, amazingly enough, just happens to have a name that can help us remember the proposed 6 Values:

Justice  
Equity  
Transformation  
Plurality  
Interconnectedness  
Generosity



and Jet Pig's jet pack runs on the power of **Love**

Starting this Sunday and going through April, **we will have 8 Jet Pig Sundays** where our Times for All Ages and our RE activities introduce and explore the proposed Values with Love at the Center, one at a time. Will I start to think about pig-themed things all the time? You know I will. Will you all get a little something at the end of this, to help you think about Jet Pig and the proposed 6 Values with Love at the Center? Yes. Yes you will.



Oink oink.

~ Love, Poppy, your Director of Religious Exploration



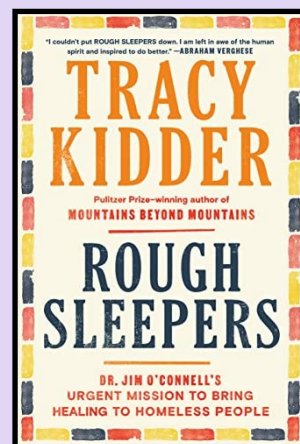
## CVUUS Feb Newsletter

### Host at Gather (Drop-In Community Space)

Volunteer to cover shifts at this project of the Breadloaf Mountain Community Zen at 48 Merchants Row in Middlebury. Join our community living room, where everyone is welcome. We're seeking caring hosts to help create a warm, inclusive space through simple acts of hospitality, like making soup and casseroles, and sharing in laughter, games, and crafts. Open Wednesday to Sunday, Gather is a place to relieve loneliness and connect with others from different backgrounds. Interested? Contact Colleen Brown at [jishu@breadloafmountainzen.org](mailto:jishu@breadloafmountainzen.org). More at [gatheronthegreen.org](http://gatheronthegreen.org)



**NEW DATES: *Rough Sleepers*: Dr. Jim O'Connell's Urgent Mission to Bring Healing to Homeless People by Tracy Kidder book group convenes in Feb!** *Rough Sleepers* tells the powerful story of an inspiring doctor who made a difference, by helping to create a program to care for Boston's homeless community—by the Pulitzer Prize-winning, *New York Times* bestselling author of *Mountains Beyond Mountains*. The book group begins in Fellowship Hall at 7 pm on Wednesday **Feb 7** and continues on **Feb 28** and **Mar 13**. ZOOM option [here](#). Facilitated by Ellen Flight, Tom Morgan, Mike Greenwood.



**Medical Aid in Dying (Death Café) Tuesday February 20, 5 PM, Sanctuary** A conversation hosted by Porter Medical Center's Palliative Care Department and led by Dr. Diana Barnard. This follows several death and dying events hosted by CVUUS's Caring Network last month. See [cvuus.org/news](http://cvuus.org/news) for valuable resource sheets.

**Migrant Worker Support Continues** CVUUS will host Migrant Justice for their assembly on Sat Feb 10 at 5 pm and hosts Addison Allies ESL class on Tuesday and Thursday mornings (9-11 am) in our Blue Room. We are home to our Viva el Sabor women mastering English for greater opportunities. As in years past, we will host a Mexican Consulate Visit on Sat Oct 19.



**Climate Engagement Team** thanks CVUUS congregants and friends who attended the big climate action march and rally, **Vermonters Together: Building a Better Future**, organized by 350VT on Sat Jan 27 bringing together a coalition of coalitions working on systemic change. Montpelier UU minister Rev. Joan Javier-Duval gave closing remarks and reminded us to support the VT for Poor People's gathering in March. Learn about the energy navigator project on Wed Feb 28, 4:30 pm.



# CVUUS Feb Newsletter

## Social Action Updates

### February "Share the Plate" Donee: Black Church Food Security Network



**The Black Church Food Security Network (BCFSN)** is the fruit of Maxine's Garden at Pleasant Hope Baptist Church in Baltimore, MD

and now a network of Black churches organized to advance health, wealth, and power for our people. They partner with historically African American congregations to establish or expand gardens or agricultural projects, such as rainwater collection or compost systems, on church-owned land.

Connecting the vast inventory of church-owned land with agricultural initiatives can provide a myriad of health-related, environmental, and economic benefits to the African American community and beyond. They provide training, technical assistance, and seed funding to member churches around the US (including VT). Through the Soil to Sanctuary Market, they partner with congregations to bring miniature farmer's markets to churches on days that they worship or gather.

Their commitment to Black farmers goes far beyond the sale. They believe that transformative relationships are necessary to confront and overcome the kind of discrimination that Black farmers have faced for 100 years. So while they help groups to buy from Black farmers, they also work to have congregations "adopt" Black farmers; to invest in their farm operations, provide spiritual support, serve as advocates, and be partners far beyond the point of sale. More at <https://blackchurchfoodsecurity.net/>



**Thanks to Abolition Kitchen, started by Joanna Colwell**

(pictured) and **Caitlin Gildrien** who along with **Michele Lowy** and others, take turns providing nutritious meals for our local Black and BIPOC families. It started about 3 years ago being once a week and then transitioned to once a month. Joanna offers challah often and helps to lead Middlebury Showing Up for Racial Justice.

*Thanks for your continued support of Donations Ministry. Thanks to all who gave to our **UUA affiliates and newest congregation** in Jan. Track how much we contribute to donees at [cvuus.org/justice/sharing-donation-plate/](https://cvuus.org/justice/sharing-donation-plate/).*





## Affordable Housing for Addison County YOU CAN HELP EASE THE

**HOUSING CRISIS** Spread the word among your friends, family and neighbors in Addison County.

- **HomeShare Vermont** See Abi Sessions, Connie Kenna, Ellen Flight & <https://www.homesharevermont.org/>
- **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 County Interfaith Affordable Housing Alliance meets the first Monday of the month at 7 pm in Fellowship Hall. See Mike Greenwood or Jean Terwilliger & [here](#).



## Donate Personal Care Items to Atria Collective (formerly WomenSafe),

They're in need of a variety of items for those who have had to leave their homes and seek refuge in the Atria safe house. Hairbrushes, combs, toothpaste, toothbrushes, soap, hand lotion, chapstick, gift cards to drug stores...anything that will help them care for themselves. Leave in the box on the bottom shelf of the grocery basket in the foyer. Thanks!

## Donate Items to HOPE, Have a Heart, Neat Repeats, JuneBug, and Addison Allies, also!

Tell them you are donating on behalf of CVUUS. Look for the food cart in our foyer for HOPE which especially needs juices, cereals, snacks, soups.



*Thanks from UU's online church of over 3,500 members (including 900 incarcerated ones) for your donation last month.*



## 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?

Submit your news & queries to

[office@cvuus.org](mailto:office@cvuus.org). Our communications assistant Jess Danyow handles this, our website and more on Tues & Thurs afternoons.



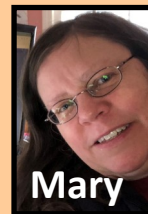
Jess

## Yellow Card Milestones &

**Passages:** Complete one in the lobby on Sunday morning.

## 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 Fellowship Hall.



Mary

## Need an update on your giving status?

Contact our book keeper **Cara Mosier** at [fm@cvuus.org](mailto:fm@cvuus.org) or 203-314-3347 on Tuesdays when she works remotely.



Cara



## Volunteer & Know You Make a Difference with Your CVUUS Teams

**Charter House Meal Prep Teams** We make dinner for residents (25-40) **every 2nd Monday of month** and lunch **every Wednesday following this** which we also serve. Sign up [here](#) or see [Alan Moore](#).

Charter House thanks us for our continued monthly meal prep and donation of **\$1,675** collected in Dec. *"Your donation allows us to continue fulfilling our mission of providing emergency shelter, nutritious meals and to work diligently throughout our community to build relationships that better the lives of our neighbors in need."* Heidi Lacey, Director (with co-director Tom Morgan) They also appreciated those who turned out for **Homelessness Awareness Day's** "honk 'n ride" on Jan 18.



**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. Thanks to our steadfast ones!

**Meals on Wheels** (9:30 to 11:30 am, week days). CVUUS has a longstanding team on **Mondays** who deliver meals to neighbors coordinated by [Mary Conlon](#). Contact her.



**Habitat for Humanity of Addison County** Join several congregants volunteering to build housing and fundraise. See **Bob House**.

**Everybody Wins VT** seeks reading mentors for Grades 3-5, especially at Mary Hogan Elementary School in Middlebury where there is a wait list of 40 kids seeking this literacy building and fellowship opportunity. Donate one hour a week during kids lunch time recess (~12-1 pm) on Tuesday or Thursday. Contact Sarah Urang at middlebury@everybodywinsvermont.org. CVUUS provides many mentors over the years, including Priscilla Bremser, Alan Moore & Laura Asermily.



**Tri-Valley Transit Dial-a-Ride** volunteers make a difference in transporting those in need to appointments and shopping. You get reimbursed for mileage and can opt for specific day to drive. Ask Dorothy Mammen for more or go to [trivalleytransit.org/dial-a-ride](http://trivalleytransit.org/dial-a-ride).





## 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](http://cvuus.org) [here](#). To join or form a group, contact Doug Richards ([drichard@keuka.edu](mailto:drichard@keuka.edu) or 802-989-9387).

**Or join one of our affinity groups.**



**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 5 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. Contact [Dinah Smith](#) if you'd like to rotate in or could help with our grounds.



## Let's Eat Together

Caring Network invites you to come to **Eastview** (off South St next to Porter) on the **4<sup>th</sup> Tuesday of the month** at noon

so **next on Feb 27** to share lunch with them and the many Eastview residents there who are CVUUS members and friends. Bring your own lunch. Juice/beverage provided by [Dale Birdsall](#) who you can contact with questions or if a ride is needed (377-1322).



## Facilities

**Team** meets the third **Wed of the month** at **10:30 AM** in

the Blue Room and is working hard on several projects from continuing research on cold climate heat pump options to roofing repairs and much more. Let Bob House know if interested.

**CVUUS Choir (ever-expanding!)** rehearses Thursdays, 5:30 pm in the sanctuary and 9 am before worship services in which they sing. Never too late to join. [Click here](#) for Choir Resources. See Music Dir. Ronnie Romano and

email [office@cvuus.org](mailto:office@cvuus.org) to join the choir email list. Wellspring (hospice) rehearses alt Wed at 5 pm.





## Offering Our Radical **Love** Gifts



Offerings from our fall exchange have been spreading warmth, cheer, and love throughout the dark winter months. To check out the catalog of **RAD LOVE** offerings or to see who won what, look for a print out in the Fellowship Hall or [check here](#).



## Have You Discovered Our CVUUS LIBRARY? Library of Things?

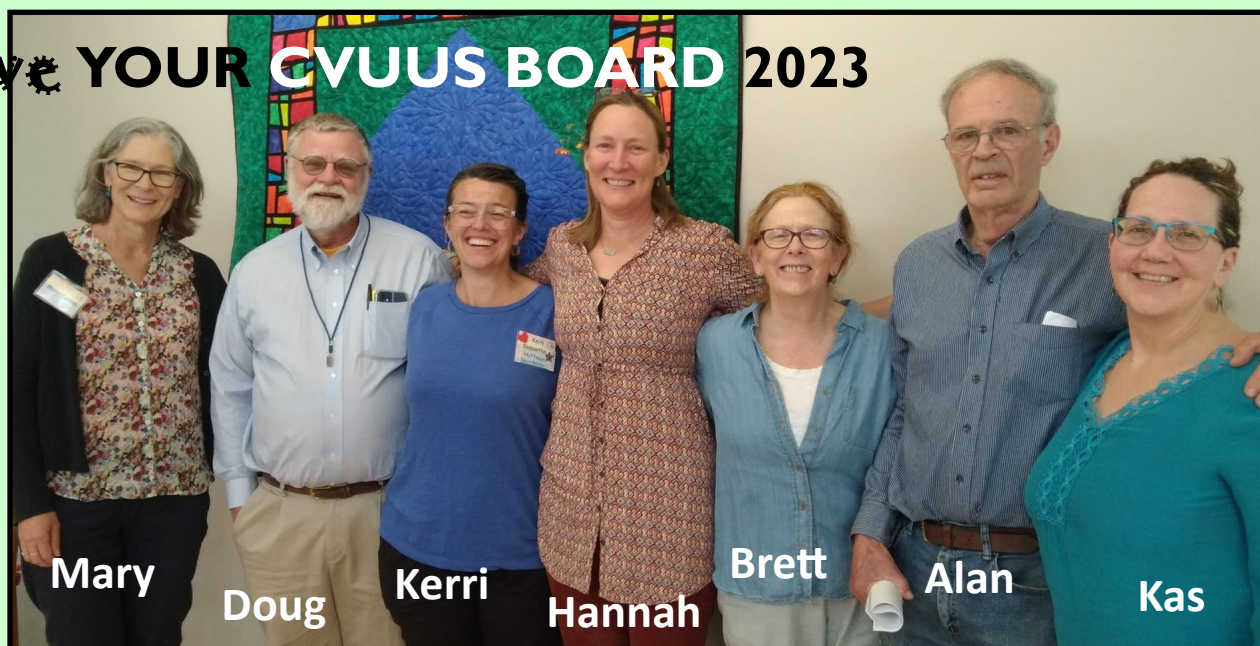
CVUUS has several wonderful adult and children's titles and an [online reading list](#) for finding them. **Catalog:** There's a link to our [library catalog](#) on the CVUUS website under the "Learning" heading. We're happy to locate books for you. Arrange with Office or Artley Wolfson [awolfson@middlebury.edu](mailto:awolfson@middlebury.edu). We also have a **library of things** we are hoping to review and expand. These are items (cribs, camping and sporting equipment, tools, wheel chairs, etc.) we keep in our homes that we are willing to loan others on a short term basis. Let Artley know if you'd like to help with this project. See <https://www.cvuus.org/connection/library-of-things/> for our current inventory of things. Ilsley Library also has a library of things to explore including e-bikes and snowshoes.







## Love YOUR CVUUS BOARD 2023



**Our Next Steps** Many thanks to everyone who participated in the Next Steps weekend last month put on by Mark Ewert! When Mark presented to members of the Board and Long Term Financial Health group, we knew that this might be a good tool for CVUUS. We also knew that the timing was short. So much thanks goes out to **Priscilla Bremser** and **Mary Hadley** for their fast, capable and creative work in making the weekend happen.

Because of the excellent participation of our community, there was a great deal of learning done just by participating in the weekend. Additionally, as promised, Mark has presented the Board and Long Term Financial Health team with a menu of next step options for our congregation. See the presentation that he shared [here](#).

**Opportunities TOO Good to Miss!** Have you ever thought about becoming a member of the **Governing Board** aka the Board of Trustees? As a Board member, you have opportunities to work collaboratively with many different groups to ensure our financial, social, and organizational health. Interested? 2 positions open on July 1, 2024 for a three-year term.

The other available elected position is for the **Nominating Committee**. This is for a 2-year term. Members work with the vice-president of the Board and another elected member from the congregation. The Nominating Committee proposes a slate of candidates to be elected to our Board of Trustees/Governing Board and the Nominating Committee itself. Most often the slate is presented at our Annual Meeting. 1 position available beginning July 1, 2024. If at all possible, for any position, we recommend shadowing current members. You can even do so before you agree to be nominated. For more, see a Board member (pictured above) or a Nominating Committee member (Hannah, Gordon or Mike G.).







**CARE FOR SAFETY.** In increment weather, you can stay home and follow us remotely.

**CARE FOR YOUR HEALTH!** It's prudent for those at risk to wear masks (KN95 remains best).

Testing is fundamental if you have symptoms or feel you've been exposed. **We have extra COVID tests** for you which we keep in our sanctuary closet. Donate ones to us to refresh our supply. It's worth **getting COVID boosters**. Remember to **use our ventilation systems** when meeting (air purifiers, mechanical ones in sanctuary). May you be well. Call on us if you need any help.



**CARE FOR OUR FLOORS!**

Please remember to minimize tracking in grit and salt by stomping your boots well on our rugs and using shoe trays to store your boots.

**CARE FOR PARKING!** Our lot reserved for those who need accessible spots. **CARPOOL!** See Go! VT [connectingcommuters.org](https://connectingcommuters.org).



**Schedule  
your  
events  
with us!**

**CVUUS ZOOM:** Ask Laura (388-8080 or [office@cvuus.org](mailto: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.



Laura

## CVUUS HOSTS RETREATS & EVENTS

We continue to welcome groups. Watch our online calendar for availability and see our rates at [cvuus.org](https://cvuus.org). Schedule with Office Manager Laura Asermily ([office@cvuus.org](mailto:office@cvuus.org) or 802-388-8080)

--**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 on 2nd Thursday of month at 2 pm in Fenn Chapel. Contact Anne Christie 388-4347

--**Counseling Service of Addison County** back for weekday training (Mar 4-6) and a new **Youth Cooking Class** on Fridays 3-5 pm in our lower level kitchen assisted by Jordan Young with CSAC's Dave O.

—**West African Dance Class** Mondays at 5:15 pm in sanctuary with drumming. Lively! Try it  
--**Grief Group** hosted by Addison County Home Health and Hospice with another 8 week session now on Tuesdays (3-4:30 pm) continuing Feb 13 in our Blue Room. Contact them at 802-383-3278 with interest.

—**Green Mountain Club** Tues Feb 6 in our sanctuary for their annual meeting starting at 6:30 pm with speaker Keegan Tierney at 7 pm  
--**Quilters** (Dorothy Mammen) back for another sit and sew on Feb 10 (9-4) in Fellowship Hall and **Rug Hookers** (Kris Andrews) for the first time on Feb 22 (9:30-12) for a sit and hook. Drop by to inquire with interest. Bring your crafting to us.

—**Migrant Justice Assembly** Sat Feb 10 (5-9)

—**VT Agency of Agriculture Listening Session** Tues Feb 13 (5-7) in sanctuary.

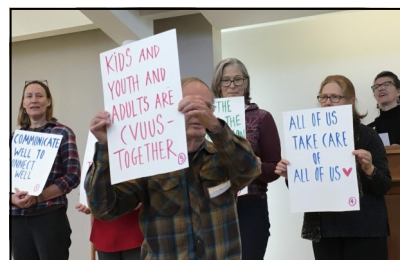
--**American Red Cross Blood Drive** on Mon Feb 19 (12-5) and Wed Mar 27 (10-3).



Missing you?  
Contact Office

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Margy Young 2/1  
Amy Mason 2/1  
Molly Darrell 2/2  
Kate Tilton 2/3  
Hilary Hatch 2/5  
Ash Hickey 2/7  
Sylviane Acker 2/7  
Wendy Moore 2/9  
Bill Sessions 2/9  
David Martin 2/10  
Xavier Fuentes-George 2/13  
Anza Armstrong 2/14

Pam Billings 2/14  
Brett Millier 2/14  
Carrie Mol 2/15  
Emmett Raishart 2/21  
Janice Sabett 2/22  
Barnaby Feder 2/24



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



for online giving

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



Brett and Martha help usher and count our offering. You, too?

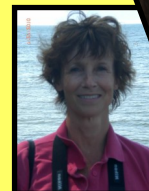
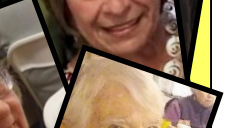
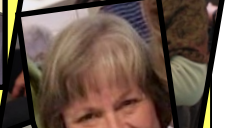
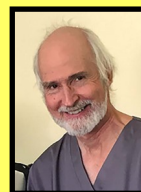


CVUUS Seasons of Life Fund Commemorate personal milestones and passages through financial gifts to CVUUS that provide extra funds for us to fulfill our mission statement. Thank you for considering this.



**Our Caring Network (CN)** provides support, such as calls, visits, meals, and rides, to those in need. If you

think of a need that we could provide for you or any CVUUS member or friend, there are "pink cards" on the foyer table in the sanctuary. Please fill one out and place in the nearby envelope marked *Confidential for the Caring Network*. We'll check it weekly and do what we can to facilitate this need. Join Kathryn Schloff (802-349-5264 or [kathrynschloff@gmail.com](mailto:kathrynschloff@gmail.com)), Michele Lowy, Dale Birdsall, Ted Scheu, Ginny Ashenfelter, Morris Earle, Lynne Balman & Bethany Barry in this meaningful work. Come to our next meeting on **Thurs. Feb 8 at 10 am** in Fenn Chapel.



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Followed by Social Hour

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