

May

2021

The Point

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All are welcomed**

To the Point

Launch and re-entry. Among my family and acquaintances, there is no one who is still alive who experienced the horrendous Spanish flu pandemic of 1918. For us, this COVID-19 pandemic is a unique experience. Unique experiences beggar the understanding. The incomprehension in an experience totally new can breed fear, denial, anger and fatigue. During COVID, we have witnessed these destructive emotions in ourselves and among our fellow world inhabitants.

Ultimately, however, the antidote to such emotionalism is the wonderful UU combination of science and faith. Scientists work around the clock to discover, describe and predict the nature and behavior of this virus which has disrupted our lives, while we non-scientists call upon both our specific faith in these scientific findings as well as our greater faith in the general human endeavor here on our "little blue pebble" floating in the darkness of space — to quote Tennyson, "to strive, to seek, to find and not to yield."

Your Board of Trustees is working to find the right re-entry point for a return to sanctuary worship so that, like a manned space capsule entering earth's atmosphere, the angle of entry

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is neither too soon nor too sharp that the capsule burns up, nor too delayed and too shallow that the capsule glances off the atmosphere's surface and is lost in space forever.

Based upon the level of knowledge we currently have from Maine CDC and wanting the members and friends of our church to feel safe upon re-entering sanctuary worship, the Board is recommending that we plan on returning to sanctuary worship on September 12, 2021, Water Communion Sunday, contingent always of course on what further science reveals about the levels of virus in our communities. *Dennis Perkins* for the Board of Trustees.

From the Editor

Becoming editor of the church newsletter was not on my bucket list when I retired from teaching nearly two decades ago. That being the case, I am so grateful that the opportunity dropped into my lap. Being editor has been an incredible experience and I have loved being a small part of the business of running a church.

I will be retiring as editor with the June edition of *The Point*. My hope is that, like I did all those years ago, someone will decide to give it a try and discover that they enjoy being a "member of the press."

If you are interested in learning more about being editor of *The Point*, please let me know.
Connie Winship

Welcoming Congregation

International Day Against Homophobia, Transphobia and Biphobia

The International Day Against Homophobia, Transphobia and Biphobia is observed on May 17 and aims to coordinate international events that raise awareness of LGBT rights violations and stimulate interest in LGBT rights work worldwide.

By 2016, the commemorations had taken place in 132 countries across the globe. *Wikipedia*

Worship Committee

The five Sundays in May will include not only revisits from old friends Twinkle Manning, Nancee Campbell and Katie Covey, but a music-based service led by Annie Voorhees as well. The third Sunday of May will be a shortened service preceding our Annual Meeting. We will need to have as many members as possible attend this second annual Zoom service in order to officially transact the business of the church.

In addition, the committee voted to take a much-needed break from providing services for the month of July.

Finally, the committee finalized a new format to operate with five members. Four members would each be responsible for one Sunday per month — First Sunday, Second Sunday, Third Sunday and Fourth Sunday. The chair of the committee would be responsible for Fifth Sundays when they occur as well as for the Christmas Eve service.

The chair, relying on recommendations from other committee members as well as from members of the congregation, will schedule the Worship Leaders for each service. The other four members will be responsible for preparing and finalizing the Order of Service for their Sunday (First through Fourth) as it occurs.

This design should simplify and equalize the work required for putting on services so that more members of the congregation will commit to at least a one-year participation on the Worship Committee. Already in place are easy-to-use OOS templates and Google documents for tracking monthly service information.

We've come a long way as a lay-led church over the last five years and will need everyone's effort to continue in the years to come. *Worship Committee*

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First Sunday:
Connie and Ray Winship

Second Sunday:
Sarah Michaud

Third Sunday:
Karen Kusiak

Fourth Sunday:
Caroline Gander

Fifth Sunday and Chair:
Dennis Perkins

Interfaith Council

The Mid-Maine Homeless Shelter is looking to expand due to increased need in their coverage area between greater Waterville and Augusta. The Shelter is looking for either land to build or a building to renovate (preferred). Currently, the shelter is full and is using 30 hotel rooms locally. These hotel rooms are being paid for by a grant that runs until September 30, 2021. In addition, Waterville General Assistance Program is using about 20-25 rooms locally.

The Homeless Shelter is a high-barrier shelter. The term “high barrier” means there are strict rules about who can be eligible to stay....no drugs, no alcohol, willingness to take part in the programs offered, etc. The new expanded shelter would be a low-barrier shelter and thus open to serve even more people in need.

The Easter Sunrise Ecumenical Service held at the Head of Falls amphitheater was well attended and provided space with easier access for the community than the steps of the Colby College Library.

Building on the success of the sunrise service, several churches and interested parties are hoping to organize an ecumenical “After COVID” celebration at Head of Falls. The outline for this celebration is based on a model from Paul and Mary of Peter, Paul and Mary called One Shining Candle.

St. Mark’s Episcopal Church announces the retirement of Rector John Balicki on July 1, 2021. John had been the moderator of the Interfaith Council.

The Sisters of St. Joseph located in Winslow, just past Agway, have a plot of land consisting of five acres of fields on the river. As the order is elderly, they cannot take care of the land and welcome ideas for its use. Contact Sue Morrill for more information. *Sue Morrill*

Evening Sandwich Program

The ESP board met by zoom on Saturday, April 17, 2021. In attendance were Ray and Connie Winship, Sue and Charlie Morrill, Maili Bailey, and Larry Dickey.

The Waterville Area Food Bank delivers bread, cold cuts, fruit and vegetables as well as desserts three times per week. Thank you!

The numbers of folks visiting ESP continues to remain lower than in the past. About 60 meals are served each Tuesday and Friday. The UU Tuesday Team makes the sandwiches and fills the bags to be handed out and serves outside the new door.

As Spring arrives, ESP UU volunteers regroup. Maili, the director, leaves for Swan’s Island in mid-May, and Larry takes over as the summer director. Gwen Hawes will be away for about two weeks and her friend, Terri, will fill in for her.

ESP is open ONLY on Tuesdays and Fridays; sandwiches are prepared by folks from St. Mark’s on Thursday but served by our ESP crew on Friday.

On Tuesdays, various volunteers make PB&J sandwiches at home and deliver them to ESP. The person volunteering on the second and third Tuesdays will be leaving at the end of April. Charlie and I will take over the third Tuesday in addition to the first Tuesday. Anyone wishing to volunteer for the second Tuesday of each month, please contact. Maili. ESP provides all the supplies and the sandwich bags.

The Board discussed applying for the Mid-State Machine grant again this year. Charlie, the treasurer, will speak with their president in person and discuss the effect of COVID on the program and our future needs and plans.

Maili reports she has been the unfortunate recipient of rude words and gestures as she gets out of her car at church. She believes the flags on the church, especially the. “Black Lives Matter” flag, have caused her to be targeted.

Evening Sandwich Program, cont'd.

In addition to the locking handle on the new door, several board members requested the addition of a simple deadbolt. It would need to be keyed to fit our church keys. Thus, to gain entrance to the church, two locks would need to be unlocked. This additional lock would add another layer of safety. *Sue Morrill*, President of ESP

Caring Committee

The Caring Committee lends a helping hand to members of our church community who are faced with health challenges or other difficult situations. We give rides, prepare meals, run errands, visit, send cards, and provide other similar services. To request help or to volunteer to help others, please contact Carolyn MacRae at carolynrmacrae@gmail.com

Virtual Hospice Volunteer Training

Hospice Volunteers of Waterville Area is offering a 24 hour Zoom training course in May covering a variety of end-of-life issues. Topics to be covered include: hospice history and philosophy, effective communication skills, emotional and spiritual needs of the dying and bereaved, patient care and comfort, grief and loss, and volunteer self care.

The course consists of 8 sessions over Zoom . Cost is \$35. FMI, contact Jane Beers, Waterville Coordinator for Hospice Volunteers of Waterville Area at 207-873- 3615.

Evolution of *The Point* (continued on next page)

A picture is worth a thousand words! The first newsletter was published 38 years ago, in 1983. It's easy to see (next page) that changes in the design of the cover page evolved considerably over time, in large part to technology. The most recent cover page, the one which you are familiar with, has been in use since 2009.

Although the graphics and manner of setting up the newsletter are markedly different today than they were originally, the goals have remained the same: to share information among church members, to promote membership to visitors, and to serve as a historical record of what the church does. *Connie Winship*

THE POINT

"Where Unity in Love Transcends All Differences in Belief"

Vol. 7, No. 1

THE UNIVERSALIST-UNITARIAN CHURCH

Waterville, Maine
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May 1983

The Point is an attempt at a monthly newsletter for our church that may not rival the popularity of the morning journal but will, however, provide news, comments, personal items, perhaps inspiration, poetry and pity partying. I've come to the point or somewhere close to it. Whatever else can be said about it will have to be modest, because it will be a modest newsletter. The kind of newsletter that does not worry about important issues but expresses concern for important ones -- in good taste and with a sense of humor (hopefully). The major problem with producing a publication of this nature is having some content when it comes time to publish (which will be the week preceding the last Sunday of the month, delivery on the last Sunday). So, will you readers participate as reporters? We might have our own "line of the people" as a headline. Have a good year's worth of any you might have we'll take a look at.

LAFOREST

The minister was meditating in his study, heated the pipes before the service and when he opened his eyes and stood up he felt disoriented for a moment. Fantastic! Attendance was 100. Appreciation goes out to everyone who contributed time and talent to our Easter celebration.

IN MEMORIAM

Our sympathy to Ash Dickerman. A plan will be placed in the sanctuary by the Alliance in

memory of Lucille in one of the Sunday services.

2004 Northeast District Annual Meeting and Service

More meetings with us! They are in Augusta at the All Souls Unitarian on King Street. Meg Wiles and Anne Kempe have been selected to attend as voting delegates; Laforest and Barbara also plan to attend. The time of the meeting is 7A Festival of Purpose to be delivered on Friday evening by the Reverend Diane M. Miller, minister of the Belmont, Mass. church. If you want to attend and need more information, talk to any of the people mentioned above who are planning to be there.

ALLIANCE

The May meeting will be held on Sunday evening, May 22, 7:30-9:30 PM, in the Averill Parlor. The menu is the same as last year's: Beef, Potato, and Green Beans. The hostesses will be Barbara Robbins, Long Tompa, and Rhonda Charley. The April Meeting featured Linda Douglas and Anne Shultz cooking up a tasty stew of natural foods and vegetables. Alliance is fun. Hub, we'll see you there.

SEVERN CLUB

When will this "August body" gather again? The time after the Sunday service has been used lately for necessary Trustee Meetings. However, the Club will meet some time in May. The Club is an adult discussion group named after the Frederic Henry Judge (1808-90) who

NOVEMBER 1984

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The Universalist-Unitarian Church of Waterville, Maine

Rev. Laforest G. Robbins, Minister & Editor Tel. 875-9246

The month of October brought more than the changing color of the leaves this year. Elmer Warren has left us to carry on without him. It will take us time to adjust, for Elmer has been so important to our church. He has done so much and been a true friend to all of us.

The river flows, the seasons turn, The sparrow and starling have not time to waste. If we do not build, how shall we live? On many streets, There is no beginning, no movement, no peace and no end, But noise without speech, food without taste.

Without delay, without haste, We will build, we will make music. We build the meaning, A church for all, And a job for each, Each one of us an heir, We, too, will leave our legacy!

(adapted from T.S. Eliot's "The Rock")

In Elmer's memory let us renew our own dedication to the tasks set before us and in our time be builders.

ALLIANCE

Nov. 14 Wed. evening at 6:00 P.M. in the Averill Parlor Program: Prayers for the Fair, sandwich.

Hostesses: Mildred Cobb, Ellen Jones, and Jarne Larsen.

COME TO THE HOLIDAY FAIR SATURDAY: NOVEMBER 17 9:00 A.M.

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The International Supper is coming up soon - Saturday, April 4, from 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. Bring your friends and neighbors. We will have a variety of ethnic dishes, soups, salads, and desserts. Tickets cost \$10.00 per person and will be available at the door or see Georgia Nelson.

The next Alliance meeting will be on Wednesday, April 1, in the Averill Parlor. We will gather for a pizza supper at 6:00 p.m. Each person joining us should bring pizza for him or herself and some to share. It is a great night to bring a friend if you like. Russ Colvin will present a slide show at 7:00 p.m. in which we shall see the repairing of our church steeple, restoring of our historic clock, along with lawn sales and church picnic.

Quest meditation manuals are in! See Barbara Quimby Markee for your copy. We will meet briefly on Sunday, March 29, during coffee hour to set a date and time to begin our exploration. Be prepared to discuss best day and times for you, and how frequently you'd like to meet. If you can't be there on March 29, please call Barb at 465-2884.

The annual Maundy Thursday Communion Service will be held on April 16 at 7:00 p.m. in the Averill Parlor.

A Good Friday Service will be held in our church on April 17 at 12:00 p.m. and will be conducted by a number of Waterville area clergy.

New members will be received into the church on the last Sunday in April.

ALA TransAmerica Bike Trek - Bruce Cummings

I would like to express my appreciation to those UUs who so generously contributed on March 15 toward my participation in the inaugural TransAmerica Bike Trek. Proceeds from the Trek will benefit the American and Maine Lung Associations, two of the nation's oldest and most respected voluntary health organizations.

The special bike sale along with other pledges netted nearly \$300. I have now raised \$4,000 of the \$5,000 minimum required to participate in this physically and mentally challenging event. Special thanks are extended to Eleanor Warren who conceived of the bike sale and to the indefatigable Fran Thayer who organized and directed the sale.

For those who were not present on March 15, here is a brief summary of the Trek: Two hundred people from 32 states and Canada will bicycle from Seattle, Washington, to Atlantic City, New Jersey. Our 3,400-mile odyssey will begin on June 1 and end on July 16. The object behind this apparent madness is to raise \$1,000,000 to support the broad environmental health, clinical research, professional and public education programs of the ALA and its state affiliates.

Thanks again for all your support. Bruce Cummings 20 Hillcrest Street Waterville, ME 04901

Those who would like to pledge money to support Bruce's efforts for the American and Maine Lung Associations should contact him at church or at his home.

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DECEMBER 1996



Newsletter For The Universalist Unitarian Church of Waterville Ed Spear, President

Rev. Severn Towl, Minister

SUNDAY WORSHIP	
December, 1996	
1	"Delights of December" (1st Sunday of Advent)
8	"Encouragement to Spiritual Growth" (2nd Sunday of Advent; Hanukkah)
15	"Sharing Our Sun" (3rd Sunday of Advent; Solstice)
22	"Church Family Holiday" (4th Sunday of Advent)
24	CHRISTMAS EVE SERVICE OF CAROLS AND CANDLES, 6 PM
29	Lay Service

FROM SEVERN

Just when I think of myself as calm, I trip over one of my little anxieties. I think I am not doing enough at church, I am not being "The Compleat Leader," I am letting you down somehow. And then I listen. And then I look around. And what I see is the wonderfully alive, healthy, busy church, doing such good work. We went through a smooth, informative, and democratic process about a new organ, and as of (tentatively) December 5 it will be installed. Our Welcoming Congregation Committee continues to meet and plan, with an abiding commitment to issues of inclusivity and education. Our Fellowship Committee is hard at work redefining its functions and reworking how people become members, so that they will be fully informed and membership will be more meaningful. Our Board is on track in fulfilling the goals it laid out for itself at its September retreat. The Evening Sandwich Program restructured itself so that no one person would bear too much of the burden of the many tasks necessary to keep it going. The Worship Committee is planning ahead to offer you a variety of inspiring services. A "Safety Committee" has formed and is actively considering issues of safety of both adults and children in our church. Our Library Committee is cleaning up the area at the back of the sanctuary, organizing books on newly installed

shelving. And we have an Archive Committee that has been meeting weekly to try to gather as much history about our church as it can, so that we will be able to "use" our heritage and connect with our tradition. Finance and Property, Coffeehouse, and Adult Programs, RE and Long Range Planning, Caring and Development, Music and Hospitality--look around you anywhere in our building, listen to what people are saying, and you will understand just how vibrant our congregation is. What on earth am I worrying about? Obviously, you all are doing fine even when I have my most "incomplete" and "anxious" days! Blessing on you all!

UI Service Committee

At our Thanksgiving Service, we handed out Guest At Your Table boxes. In large part due to the good work of our much-missed Anne Kemper, our church has always been a "Banner Church" - that is to say, we have given an amount that a certain percentage of what our annual budget is. And those who give at least \$25 (\$10 for students and seniors) become members of UIEC. I hope we can continue to support this activist arm of our denomination. We will collect boxes (or preferably checks made out to UUSC) on January 5 and 12. If you have any questions, please speak to Severn.

THE CHRISTMAS OFFERING

Enclosed in this newsletter is a Christmas offering envelope. Each year we ask for three separate "extra" offerings--one in Spring, one at Thanksgiving, and one at Christmas. The money raised in this way is not fact "extra" - it is part of our operating budget under "Special Offerings." As each of you knows, we are a hand-to-mouth operation, and we count on each part of our budget to come in, in full, from pledges to special offerings. Please, send in or bring in whatever you can this Christmas--it truly goes to a worthy "cause" in

DECEMBER 1985

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The Universalist-Unitarian Church of Waterville, Maine



CHRISTMAS EVE CANDLELIGHT SERVICE

Our tradition Christmas Eve Candlelight Service will be held in the sanctuary of the church at 5:00 P.M. on, you guessed it, Christmas Eve -- Dec. 24. This is a beautiful service with many candles and music and the chance to sing the old familiar Christmas carols once more. Don't miss it!



CHRISTMAS PARTY

The annual church Christmas party will be held on Sunday, Dec. 15 at 5:00 P.M. in the Averill Parlor. Everyone is invited to this fun-filled event. Bring sandwiches (and at least one extra sandwich to exchange with someone else). Beverages and dessert will be provided. Also, each adult attending is asked to bring a \$1.00 gift for either a man or woman to be exchanged. Children's gifts will be provided by Santa Claus. The exact details of the program haven't been "firmed up" as yet besides the above, but rest assured -- the Christmas Party is a good time for all. Ho, Ho, Ho.



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January 2004

Newsletter of the Universalist Unitarian Church of Waterville

Rev. Severn Towl, Minister Tel. 873-4006 Don Naber, President

Website: www.uu-wat.org

Sunday Worship

January 2004

Service begins at 9:30 a.m.

- 1/4 "Shinto New Year"
- 1/11 "Let's Talk Church"
- 1/18 "Emancipation" (MLK, Jr. Sunday)
- 1/25 Lay Service

From Severn

In February the Northeast District Program Committee is sponsoring an all-day workshop at the Yarmouth church called "Creating Vital Generous Congregations" (or "Beyond the Colossus Plan"), to be led by Michael Donald. Our plan is to have seven to eight folks from this church attend. In January 11 potluck-and-informational gathering after the service will "prime our pump" with enthusiasm. It will also be an opportunity for members from each church committee to tell us what they do, and what they need in order to do what they like to do. We have so many things going for us! Let's not let the momentum slow.

Message From the President

I hope the holiday season has found you well, given you the opportunity to have more than the average number of smiles cross your face and

chances to both give and receive some of the many joy that are a part of the holidays and the days following. With the flurry of events rapidly passing and the real business of winter starting us in the lurch, I want to share your appetite with a couple of coming events. I'm hoping to call more than just your interest, and am encouraging you to attend both if possible. They are both coming up soon so I'll only give you just a little time to catch your breath before we start. The first is a gathering of all the good people who provide for our church...More specifically the Board of Trustees, at the encouragement of the Committee on Ministry and the Finance Committee has set January 11 as a potluck brunch/early lunch for the entire congregation. This gathering is designed to provide an opportunity for a member of each committee of the church to briefly outline their group's activities, its interests and vision for the future. We hope this will be the first of what will be an annual event to share, acknowledge and appreciate the many committee activities which so often go unacknowledged. The second activity will take place in the Yarmouth UU Church on February 7 (now date Feb. 14), and your participation fee has already been paid (more on this in a moment) Michael Donald, of the Commonwealth Consulting Group in Colorado and author of Creating Congregations of Generous People will present the Midwinter Workshop for the Northeast District. This is to be an

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Sermons at a Glance

May 2 Annie Voorhees and guitarist Tom Obamsawin
Worship Associate: Sally Harwood

Treasure Chests

Join Annie Nessen Voorhees to talk about the treasures that we have, and ARE. What is your treasure? What do you collect that is special to you? Animals? LPs? Blank journals? Turtles? People? Annie and her musical guest, Tom Obomsawin, will show off a few gems from their wide collection of music! Bring an object from your collection that you can very BRIEFLY share with us!

May 9 Mothers' Day
Worship Leader: Rev. "Twinkle" Marie Manning
Worship Associate Caroline Gander

The Mundane, the Messy and the Miracles

"You must learn one thing.
The world was made to be free in.
Give up all the other worlds
except the one to which you belong."
— Sue Monk Kidd

May 16 Annual Meeting
Worship Leader: Dennis Perkins
Worship Associate: Rurik Spence

Launch and Re-Entry

In many ways, our church's (and the world's) journey through the COVID pandemic is analogous to a spaceflight: shuttering entry into a territory inimical to life, followed by a dangerous re-entry requiring careful planning and, ultimately, faith.

May 23 Worship Leader: Rev. Nancee Campbell
Worship Associates: Joy and Bill Barnett

Searching for Home... Again!




This past year has been fraught with disorienting changes to the way we live our daily lives. This service will look at what we've been missing and what we can look forward to as life threatens to return to normal.

May 30 Worship Leader: Katie Covey
Worship Associate: Karen Kusiak

Bless All Who Serve

Memorial Day Weekend is a time for honoring the people who have died in the performance of their military duties. What is it like to be a UU in the military? There are UU veterans as well as UU military chaplains. In fact, a UU military chaplain won the Military Chaplain of the Year for her service as well as the Bronze Star. Come find out about how our UU principles shape those in military service. We will also honor the veterans among us. I will invite you to share a story from your own military service, if you are a veteran, or of someone in your family.

May 2021

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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<p>2</p> <p>First Sunday Donation: Hardy Girls, Healthy Women</p> <p>10:00 Online Service <i>Treasure Chests</i> Annie Voorhees</p> <p>11:00 - 12:00 Virtual Coffee Hour</p>	3	<p>4</p> <p>11:00 – 1:00 Discussion Group Contact Carolyn MacRae (carolynmacrae@gmail.com) for sign-in instructions</p> <p>3:00 – 4:00 Evening Sandwich Program</p>	<p>5 Cinco de Mayo</p>  <p>11:00 – 1:00 Arts and Crafts Group For more information, contact uuvtladm@gmail.com</p>	<p>6</p> <p>9:30 – 11:00 Men's Coffee Contact Ray Winship rwinship@roadrunner.com</p> <p>6:30 – 8:00 Zoom Coffeehouse For more information, go to vayowoods@live.com</p>	<p>7</p> <p>11:00 – 1:00 Women's Group. For more information, contact uuvtladm@gmail.com</p> <p>3:00 – 4:00 Evening Sandwich Program</p>	8
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