

# Weekly E-Blast

Unitarian Universalist Community Church  
Wednesday, March 15, 2023

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## A Message from our Minister

Dear Members and Friends of UUCC,

Instead of writing something this week I thought I would share someone else's words that really resonate with me. "On Going to Church" by Unitarian minister, author, and social activist A. Powell Davies is from his book *Without Apology: Collected Meditations on Liberal Religion*.

Many blessings,

Reverend Christina



**Let me tell you why I come to church.** I come to church—and would whether I was a preacher or not—because I fall below my own standards and need to be constantly brought back to them. It is not enough that I should think about the world and its problems at the level of a newspaper report or a magazine discussion. It could too soon become too low a level. I must have my conscience sharpened—sharpened until it goads me to the most thorough and responsible thinking of which I am capable. I must feel again the love I owe my fellow men (and women). I must not only hear about it but feel it. In church, I do.

I need to be reminded that there are things I must do in the world—unselfish things, things undertaken at the level of idealism. Workaday enthusiasms are not enough. They wear out too soon. I want to experience human nature at its best—and be reminded of its highest possibilities, and this happens to me in church. It may seem as though the same things could be found in solitude, but it does not easily happen so.

In a congregation we share each other's spiritual needs and reinforce each other. In some ways, the soul is never lonelier than in a church service. That is certainly true of a pulpit, for a pulpit is the most intimately lonely place in the world—yet it is a loneliness that has strength in it. Perhaps this is because the innermost solitude of the human heart is in some paradoxical way a thing that can be shared, that must be shared, if the spirit of God is to find a full entrance into it.

We meet each other as friends and neighbors anywhere and everywhere, but we seldom do so in the consciousness of our souls' deepest yearnings. But in church we do—in a way that protects us from all that is intrusive yet leaves us knowing that we all have the same yearning, the same spiritual loneliness, the same need of assurance and faith and hope. We are brought together at the highest level possible. We are not merely an audience; we are a congregation.

I doubt whether I could stand the thought of the cruelty and misery of the present world unless I could know, through an experience that renewed itself over and over again, that at the heart of life there is assurance, that I can hold an ultimate belief that all is well. And this happens in church.

Life must have its sacred moments and its holy places. The soul will always seek its nurture. For religious experience—which is life at its most intense, life at its best—is something we cannot do without.

**Notice:** Reverend Christina Sillari will be taking a vacation week Monday March 20<sup>th</sup> until Monday March 27<sup>th</sup>. She will be out of the country and not able to receive emails or phone calls. For pastoral emergencies in her absence please contact the chair of Pastoral Ministry, Martha Pelletier [mjpell14@roadrunner.com](mailto:mjpell14@roadrunner.com).

## Upcoming Services

Sunday

March 19, 2023

Ingathering music to begin at 9:55  
a.m.



**“Was Jesus a UU?”**

Reverend Christina Sillari

If Jesus walked into UUCC on a Sunday morning, would he resonate with our values? Why and how did some of us throw Jesus away even though Unitarian Universalism has deep Judeo-Christian roots? Rev. Christina will share her relationship with Jesus and explore his teachings through sacred text and our UU principles.

A special thank you to our worship arts team. John Seksay will be our worship associate and Marty Peters will manage technology. Stefanie Barley will be our pianist. **Our choir will present “And So It Goes” by Billy Joel.**

**SHARE THE PLATE:** This month's recipient, chosen by the Social Justice Committee, is the Essentials Hygiene Pantry at Bridging the Gap. The Pantry provides much needed personal care items such as toothpaste, paper towels, toilet paper and other essentials. These items are not covered under SNAP benefits so purchasing them can present a significant hardship for people with limited resources.

**Join us after the service for a sit down FELLOWSHIP LUNCH**

**<See details in [Special Events/Opportunities] below>**

<p style="text-align: center;">Sunday March 26, 2023 Ingathering music to begin at 9:55 a.m.</p> 	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>“Trans and Visible”</b> Toben Cooney-Callnan*</p> <p>The transgender community continues to face resistance and oppression. Join us for a service that celebrates trans bodies and reminds us how to be loving allies.</p> <p>A special thank you to our worship arts team. Nan Bell will be our worship associate and Angie Blevins will manage technology. Karen Foust will be our pianist.</p> <p><b>*Toben led us in worship on Jan. 1, 2023 with his service entitled “Choose Your Own Adventure”.</b></p> <p><b>Bio:</b> Toben Cooney-Callnan is passionate about poetry, the Great Outdoors, and working with children. He discovered Unitarian Universalism through the West Hartford Unitarian Universalist Church in Connecticut. Shortly after moving to Maine, Toben became a Religious Exploration teacher at First Parish in Portland. In 2014, he stepped into the role of Director of Religious Exploration. He currently serves as the Director of Religious Exploration at the Unitarian Universalist Church of Brunswick.</p>
<p style="text-align: center;">Sunday April 2, 2023 Ingathering music to begin at 9:55 a.m.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>“Covenant”</b> Reverend Christina Sillari</p> <p>Where did this notion of covenant come from? How did it make its way into our UU faith? Are covenants part of your family or personal life? Can a covenant help us be in right relationship at UUCC? Come and explore the idea of covenant with our community.</p> <p>A special thank you to our worship arts team. Marty Peters will be our worship associate and John Seksay will manage technology. Stefanie Barley will be our pianist.</p> <p style="background-color: yellow;"><b>Join us after the service for the next Sharing Café and a Silent Auction for our Spring Gift Baskets.</b></p> <p style="background-color: yellow;"><b>See [Special Events / Opportunities] below for more info.</b></p>

**Sunday worship service is now being held IN-PERSON in the Sanctuary.**

Our services are no longer accessible by Zoom

***If you want to watch the livestream of the service, please visit:***

<https://boxcast.tv/channel/mtifpthOutvesjggjvej>

If you missed a service or want to watch a service again, the link above also allows access to prior services. Click on the play button on the video of the “broadcast date” you are interested in watching.

## Special Events / Opportunities

**\*\*\* SAVE THE DATE \*\*\***

**NEXT SHARING CAFE -- SUNDAY, APRIL 2<sup>nd</sup> at 11:30 a.m.**

Don't Miss This Opportunity to Offer Feedback on Our Draft Covenant

As I understand it, there will be a "special" all-church email sent on either March 22<sup>nd</sup> or March 29<sup>th</sup>. This email will include more information about this Sharing Cafe, including a copy of the Draft Covenant. The date will depend on when the Covenant Writing Group has all the materials ready, but more on that later.

### Fellowship Lunch – Sunday March 19, 2023

**11:30 - 12:30 p.m. in Fellowship Hall**

The third Sunday of each month (Oct thru May) is Fellowship Lunch Sunday which replaces coffee hour. This event will be open to all service attendees. This is quite posh and definitely not a potluck. Attendees are encouraged to enjoy community at a restaurant style sit-down meal.

We generally have a "base" kitchen crew but need a few extra volunteers at each luncheon to help set up and serve. Kitchen crew and setup *Extras* will have to watch a stream of the service from Fellowship Hall while working. If you want to attend the service but can volunteer as a server that is fine too. If you are willing to sign up as an *Extra*, please email Marilyn Dunn ([maine2007@hotmail.com](mailto:maine2007@hotmail.com)) or call (207) 512-5382.

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**Newcomers,  
Let's Get Acquainted:  
\*\* Be our guests for Dinner! \*\***

**SAVE THE DATE:  
Thursday, March 30th, 5:30-7:00pm  
At UCC in Fellowship Hall**

**Stay tuned for more information!**

Sponsored by Rev. Christina Sillari &  
Monique Bergere (Coordinator of  
Lifespan Faith Formation [207-242-6415](tel:207-242-6415) cell  
; [lifespanff@augustauu.org](mailto:lifespanff@augustauu.org))



## Connections by Day of the Week

ALL church events and meetings are reflected on the UCC calendar  
Click below to view ALL events, including any group meetings or other business meetings.

<https://www.augustauu.org/calendar-and-communications/>

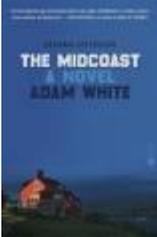
***Some events are still being held in the UCC Zoom Room.***

**[Click here to join Events in the Zoom Room:](#)**

For other ways to join Zoom, see [General Information](#)  
**Zoom meeting id: 823 807 0673 – Password: 6971**



<p><b><u>Monday</u></b> Each week  <b><u>6:30 – 8:00</u></b> <b><u>p.m.</u></b>  <b><u>Please note:</u></b> <b><u>location</u></b> <b><u>changes</u></b></p>	<p><b><u>Peaceful Heart Sangha</u></b></p> <p>NEW SCHEDULE, effective Jan 30<sup>th</sup>: -- <b>BY Private ZOOM –EVERY Monday</b> (we will no longer meet in person at the UCC on the last Monday of the month). You may join us at 6:15 to settle in.</p> <p>See Events / Opportunities about an open house at the River Studio in Hallowell. Sangha meets there in person on most Thursday mornings.</p> <p>Please contact Marty Soule for updated Zoom login information at: email: <a href="mailto:martysoule@gmail.com">martysoule@gmail.com</a>. FMI: <a href="mailto:peacefulheartsangha@gmail.com">peacefulheartsangha@gmail.com</a></p> <p><i>Sangha gatherings are free and open to all</i></p>	
<p><b><u>Wednes-</u></b> <b><u>days</u></b> <b><u>6:00 -</u></b> <b><u>7:30 p.m.</u></b></p>	<p><b><u>UCC Choir Rehearsal</u></b></p> <p>Rehearsals are held every Wednesday from 6:00-7:30pm in the sanctuary. N95 or KN95 masks are required, we have plenty, if you need a mask. Questions? Please reach out to Bridget Convey at: <a href="mailto:musicdirector@augustauu.org">musicdirector@augustauu.org</a>. All are welcome!</p>	
<p><b><u>Wednes-</u></b> <b><u>days</u></b> Each Week  <b><u>5:00 – 6:00</u></b> <b><u>p.m.</u></b></p>	<p><b><u>Gentle YOGA</u></b></p> <p>Hosted by Debbie Mattson</p> <p>UU Yoga is now offered as a hybrid gathering. People can choose to gather in the Fellowship Hall for yoga, Wednesdays 5 PM-6 PM or join via zoom. Here is the zoom link: <a href="https://maine.zoom.us/j/95825651125?pwd=UWJpOVFjVFJGb3dMWmZoOTRXa3VoUT09">https://maine.zoom.us/j/95825651125?pwd=UWJpOVFjVFJGb3dMWmZoOTRXa3VoUT09</a> Password: 174192</p> <p>Please join us a few minutes before 5:00 to settle in so we can begin class right at 5:00 p.m. FMI: <a href="mailto:DebbieMattson@hotmail.com">DebbieMattson@hotmail.com</a></p>	

<p><b>2nd &amp; 4<sup>th</sup></b> <b>Wednesday</b></p> <p><b>10:30 a.m. - Noon</b></p> <p>2<sup>nd</sup> Wed. - C-FH 4<sup>th</sup> Wed. - Zoom</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b><u>Seasoned Souls</u></b></p> <p>Seasoned Souls is a group of older church members that meet as a study/support group to talk openly about topics related to the aging process. Seasoned Souls is open to any church member over 65 years of age. On the 2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday monthly we will meet in the Fellowship Hall and on the 4<sup>th</sup> Wednesday, we will meet in the UCC Zoom room.</p> <p>FMI: please contact John Seksay (<a href="mailto:netmotel@gmail.com">netmotel@gmail.com</a> or 317-69-3636) or Stefanie (<a href="mailto:stefbarley@gmail.com">stefbarley@gmail.com</a> or 629-8890)</p>
<p><b>Thursdays</b> <b>Each Week</b></p> <p><b>8:00 – 9:30 a.m.</b></p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b><u>Peaceful Heart Sangha</u></b></p> <p>You may join us by Zoom at 7:45 a.m. to settle in. Meet from 8-9:30</p> <p>-- IN-PERSON every Thursday at the River Studio, 332 Water St. Hallowell (except the last Thursday of the month) --BY Private ZOOM – last Thursday of the month</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Please contact Marty Soule for updated login information at <a href="mailto:martysoule@gmail.com">martysoule@gmail.com</a>. FMI: <a href="mailto:peacefulheartsangha@gmail.com">peacefulheartsangha@gmail.com</a></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>Sangha gatherings are free and open to all.</i></p> 
<p><b>2nd &amp; 4<sup>th</sup></b> <b>Thursday</b></p> <p><b>In the UCC Zoom room</b></p> <p><b>9:00 – 10:30 a.m.</b></p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b><u>Writing to Wake the Soul</u></b></p> <p>This is an open group that gathers and writes together to explore spiritual themes. The writing is used as a conveyance to connect more deeply with ourselves and each other. We are not writing to develop skill.</p> <p>Come and try it out; there is no obligation to come each time we gather. This group will be meeting in the UCC Zoom Room.</p> <p>FMI: please contact Debbie at (207)557-2697 or <a href="mailto:debbiemattson@hotmail.com">debbiemattson@hotmail.com</a></p>
<p><b>1<sup>st</sup></b> <b>Thursday</b></p> <p><b>Noon-1:30 p.m.</b></p> <p><b>Next Meeting is April 6</b></p>	 <p>On April 6, READ LEARN SHARE will meet at noon in the UCC ZOOM ROOM and in FELLOWSHIP HALL We will use the OWL technology to have a hybrid meeting. Anyone interested in discussing “The Midcoast” is welcome to join us. We will end at 1:30. For more information, contact Kathy Kellison at <a href="mailto:kell6787@gmail.com">kell6787@gmail.com</a> or June Zellers at <a href="mailto:jzellers@roadrunner.com">jzellers@roadrunner.com</a></p> <p>“A propulsive drama that cares as deeply about its characters as it does about the crimes they commit, <i>The Midcoast</i> explores the machinations of privilege, the dark recesses of the American dream, and the lies we tell as we try, at all costs, to achieve it.”</p> <p style="text-align: center;">~ Goodreads</p>

<p><b>4<sup>th</sup> Friday</b></p> <p><b>6:30 – 8:30 Sanctuary</b></p> <p><b>Next Meeting is Mar 24</b></p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b><u>Free Style Drum Circle</u></b></p> <p>The Augusta Community Drum Circle is a free style drum circle welcoming people of all ages, walks of life, and abilities. Free style means no one is assigned ‘pieces’ to play. Just play! Or don’t play! Just come watch, sing, dance, or bring your own instruments. No one cares if you’ve never played before or if you make a mistake. As long as you are having fun you can’t get it wrong! <b>ALL are welcome.</b> Event is FREE, No RSVP, just come!</p> <p>The Drum Circle meets the fourth Friday of each month at 6:30 pm in the Sanctuary. For more information you can contact Mike Moody at <a href="mailto:mtmoods@gmail.com">mtmoods@gmail.com</a> or 229-1118.</p>																
<p><b>Saturday</b></p> <p><b>9:30–11 am</b></p> <p><b>Select Saturdays</b></p>	<p style="text-align: center;">UUCC Occasional Orchestra</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Come and share your musical talents with our UUCC community. Rehearsals are in the Sanctuary from 9:30-11:00 a.m. on the following upcoming Saturdays:</p> <table border="1" style="width: 100%; border-collapse: collapse;"> <tr> <td style="text-align: center;">4</td> <td style="text-align: center;">MAR 2023, SAT</td> <td style="text-align: center;">● 9:30 – 11am</td> <td style="text-align: center;">UUCCOO Rehearsal (C-Sanct)</td> </tr> <tr> <td style="text-align: center;">18</td> <td style="text-align: center;">MAR 2023, SAT</td> <td style="text-align: center;">● 9:30 – 11am</td> <td style="text-align: center;">UUCCOO Rehearsal (C-Sanct)</td> </tr> <tr> <td style="text-align: center;">1</td> <td style="text-align: center;">APR 2023, SAT</td> <td style="text-align: center;">● 9:30 – 11am</td> <td style="text-align: center;">UUCCOO Rehearsal (C-Sanct)</td> </tr> <tr> <td style="text-align: center;">22</td> <td style="text-align: center;">APR 2023, SAT</td> <td style="text-align: center;">● 9:30 – 11am</td> <td style="text-align: center;">UUCCOO Rehearsal (C-Sanct)</td> </tr> </table> <p style="text-align: center;">All are welcome, please join us! Questions: please contact Dale McCormick at: <a href="mailto:dmmccormick11@aol.com">dmmccormick11@aol.com</a>.</p>	4	MAR 2023, SAT	● 9:30 – 11am	UUCCOO Rehearsal (C-Sanct)	18	MAR 2023, SAT	● 9:30 – 11am	UUCCOO Rehearsal (C-Sanct)	1	APR 2023, SAT	● 9:30 – 11am	UUCCOO Rehearsal (C-Sanct)	22	APR 2023, SAT	● 9:30 – 11am	UUCCOO Rehearsal (C-Sanct)
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<p><b>4<sup>th</sup> Sunday</b></p> <p><b>1-2:30 p.m. In-Person</b></p> <p><b>Next Meeting is Mar 26<sup>th</sup></b></p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b><u>Goddess / Earth Circles</u></b></p> <p style="text-align: center;">Goddess/Earth Circles March 26, 1-3:30pm on UUCC Zoom. Spring Equinox: Balance of Yin and Yang</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b><u>April 30 Croning</u></b>, Fellowship Hall Hybrid, 1-2:30pm. Contact Helen Zidowecki for information on this ceremony and celebration and to be 'croned'.</p> <p>Goddess/Earth Circles focuses on Goddess, women’s lives and earth-based spirituality. All ages and genders welcome. Contact: Helen Zidowecki (582-5308, <a href="mailto:hzmre@hzmre.com">hzmre@hzmre.com</a>) for more information.</p>																

## Notices / Updates / News

# Stewardship News!

We are on our way to our pledge goal!

Total Pledges so far: 18

Increased pledges: 8

New pledges: 1

The 2023 Stewardship Campaign to support our operating budget ends March 26th. All pledges are welcome. We would appreciate you bringing your pledge card to church on March 19th or 26th and put it into the silver box or you may drop it in the mail. We appreciate your support of the Unitarian Universalist Community Church in Augusta. If you have questions reach out to: Terry Cairn (tlnaturalhealth@yahoo.com) or Betty Cairn (stonehengemaine@yahoo.com).

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### *Observations from Afar - Don Naber*

I am proud to be a member of UUCC. My feelings have been strengthened with the Saturday breakfast program and especially so when the church was kept open during last Saturday's storm for those who needed shelter from the weather. Since it began in February, people have come forward with food, with funds and with labor to make it successful. Efforts like this spark interest and participation in a church and meet a local community need. A little personal history seems in order.

There is a well-funded and effective homeless shelter in Waterville. It began humbly as an effort by the Waterville UU church to provide overnight accommodation in a local motel to the unhoused. After a short time part of a rental property was secured for lodging and an evening meal was provided for guests. Police from Augusta, Belfast and Pittsfield would occasionally drop off those needing care. As outside groups participated in staffing, including Colby College and other churches, the Interfaith Shelter became true to its name. It soon acquired and expanded into the entire building and began to offer social services on site.

When the need to provide an evening meal for those in the area was identified the UU church started the Evening Sandwich Program. Initially it ran two late afternoons a week from the downstairs kitchen of the UU church. Donations, USDA Commodity Foods and expired breadstuffs, desert pastries and other foods were donated by local grocery stores. Other church and civic groups used the kitchen to expand the program to five days a week. The location was perfect - right in the middle of town.

I've seen how community service projects can energize a church. I know there are other ideas for the service utilization of UUCC floating around out there. I've heard a few. I think (and hope) I may be seeing steps in this process at UUCC.

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## **MUUSAN Updates**

**The Maine Legislature's 131st session is underway and you can easily be an advocate on issues that are important to you!** Whether you're new to advocacy with 20 minutes on your hands or an experienced advocate who wants to know the newest Zoom testimony guidelines, you can find what you need to speak up for UU values at the state level in [MUUSAN's Advocacy Tips and Tools](#):

### Tips and Tools for Legislative Advocacy



To view or print the above resources in a single document, click [here](#).

**MUUSAN and Maine Equal Justice encourage UUs to sign the following petition to support legislative action for housing solutions:** The Housing Opportunities for Maine (HOME) Act will give more Maine renters fair treatment, greater choice, and stability (click [here](#) to read the HOME fact sheet). The HOME Act would help low-income Maine families afford housing by creating the **Home Opportunity Fund**, putting more homes in reach for Mainers in every part of our state.

Click [here](#) to sign the petition to tell Governor Mills and the Legislature that we need housing solutions now!

## **Ongoing efforts from our Social Justice Committee**

Donation boxes have been placed in the church coat room for non-perishable food items to go to the **Augusta Food Bank** and for toilet paper, soap, shampoo, toothpaste, tampons, sanitary pads, diapers and wipes, which are high priority needs right now, to go to the **Essential Hygiene Pantry at Bridging the Gap**.

**The Augusta Overnight Emergency Warming Shelter** (located at South Parish Congregational Church) has many needs which frequently change. Go to their Facebook page and check "Our Needs" to find out what's urgent. There is a donation box for the Shelter in our coat room, too.

All are worthy organizations that provide much needed services to our community. Your donations will be greatly appreciated and put to good use. For more information, contact co-chairs Stefanie Barley ([stefbarley@gmail.com](mailto:stefbarley@gmail.com)) and/or Susan Shaw ([susanmaine@gmail.com](mailto:susanmaine@gmail.com)), who will make regular deliveries of items that you contribute. or email Susan Shaw, [susanmaine@gmail.com](mailto:susanmaine@gmail.com) regarding food donations.

## Board of Trustees



### Unitarian Universalist Community Church of Augusta

Board Meeting - March 9, 2023, 5-7 p.m.

<https://zoom.us/j/8238070673>, then enter passcode: 6971

Join by phone: dial 1 646 558 8656, at first prompt (meeting id: 823 807 0673#)

Chalice Lighting: Rev. Christina Sillari  
Board Covenant: Board Members  
Check in: Two Questions: What brings you hope or joy?  
One thing you noticed about UUCC this month...  
New Business

1. Brief discussion about Membership:  
Michaela/Christina

#### REPORTS

1. Clerk's Report: Catherine / VOTE
2. Treasurer's Report: Nancy
3. Finance Committee's Report: Harry
4. President's Report: Michaela
5. Minister's Report: Christina

#### OLD BUSINESS

1. Solar Farm Update: Terry/Harry
2. Settled Minister Search update (Board calls to congregation -quick check-in) Michaela/Kathy
3. Sharing Café: Brief Recap- Kathy
4. Progress Toward Goals (Recurrent Item)
  - i. Determine how to live in a time of chronic, endemic Covid
  - ii. Review and revise UUCC By-Laws (Spring)
  - iii. Address matters of our physical plant (window repair or replacement, ventilation estimates for board consideration)
  - iv. Assess Safety and Security concerns and a plan for building safety: **SUSAN**
  - v. Develop a Congregational Covenant (In Progress) **Kathy**

#### ADJOURN

Board meetings are open to ALL. If you have an item that you would like the Board to consider, please contact [Michaelatloisel@gmail.com](mailto:Michaelatloisel@gmail.com) Next Board meeting: April 13, 2023

<Board highlights to come...>

-- Full minutes will be posted as soon as they are available. Visit the church website at [www.augustauu.org](http://www.augustauu.org)--

## General Information

### Worship Services are now being held IN-PERSON Events may still be held virtually in the *UCC ZOOM ROOM*

#### Other ways to UCC Zoom Room Zoom:

1. Join from your internet browser by clicking this link or typing this into your browser:  
<https://zoom.us/j/8238070673>, launch Zoom, then enter **passcode: 6971**
2. Select “Join Meeting” from the Zoom application on your computer or mobile device.

UCC Meeting ID: 823 807 0673 – then enter **passcode: 6971**

3. Join by phone: dial 1 646 558 8656 (NOTE: toll charge may apply)

At first prompt (meeting id: 823 807 0673#)

At second prompt: press # (no personal id needed) <No passcode needed when joining by phone>

NOTE---\*6 is mute AND un-mute on your phone. The host cannot mute or un-mute people who phone-in.

**HOSTS: Once in your meeting, claim the host using the HOST KEY as you have done in the past.**

### UCC Pastoral Ministry Team

We are here for you. Feel free to reach out in times of need for compassionate listening, for casual conversation, to share some good news, to share your struggle or just to say hello.

Martha Pelletier, Chair	207-685-9592 (H)	<a href="mailto:Mjpell14@roadrunner.com">Mjpell14@roadrunner.com</a>
Helen Zidowecki	207-582-5308 (h)	<a href="mailto:hzmre@hzmre.com">hzmre@hzmre.com</a>
Tracy McNaughton	207-623-3110 (h)	<a href="mailto:tracy.mcnaughton@yahoo.com">tracy.mcnaughton@yahoo.com</a>
Peggy Lamb	207 622-5174 (h)	<a href="mailto:plambflowers@outlook.com">plambflowers@outlook.com</a>

**Caring Cooperative** support includes rides, meals, errands, get well and condolence cards as well as companion visits.

If you would like to request or suggest meal support: contact Martha Pelletier 685-9592.

If you would like to request or suggest cards: contact Peggy Lamb 622-5174.

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### UCC Small Group Ministry



Looking for greater human and spiritual connection during this most disconnected of times? Small Group Ministry offers this vital need in our spiritual community, and so much more! For more information, contact the Church Administrator at 207-622-3232 or [admin@augus-tauu.org](mailto:admin@augus-tauu.org).

## UCC Office Hours & Notes

### UPDATED E-blast & Office Hours

E-blasts will be produced on the 1st and 3rd Wednesdays of each month. The upcoming schedule is:

- E-Blast (3/15)            NO E-Blast (3/22)
- E-Blast (4/5)            NO E-Blast (4/12)
- E-Blast (4/19)           NO E-Blast (4/26)
- E-Blast (5/3)            NO E-Blast (5/10)

### UCC Office Hours NEXT WEEK

Open office hours:  
Tues, Wed and Thurs – 8:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.  
No open office hours on Fridays

Rev. Christina Sillari

<Reverend Christina will be on vacation 3/20 -3/27>  
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