**Unitarian Universalist Community Church**

**Worship Service - Sunday, July 24, 2016**

**TODAY at UUCC (July 24, 2016)**

 Worship Service, 10:00 a.m. Childhood Wisdom\*,

 Erica Rose Long

 Goddess/Earth Circles, 11:30 a.m., Fellowship Hal

 or Yard (depending on weather)

\*Storybooks and fables teach us that the face of wisdom belongs to an old man with a long white beard. Let’s shift that paradigm by exploring how the path to wisdom changes when we acknowledge the profound wisdom of children.

Summer Connection of Goddess/Earth Circles.

You are welcome to join us TODAY at 11:30 a.m. – 1:00 pm for check-in and to complete the planning for the service on July 31st.

**Notices**

**🡪 Rev Carie Johnsen is on vacation**

**July 18th to August 14th**

**Cards and prayers requested.** Mildred Stengel has begun receiving hospice care in her home. Her daughters, Michelle and Marcia, are by her side. Cards may be sent to Mildred Stengel, 3 Butternut Lane, Augusta, Maine, 04330.

**Hannaford CARDS.** New, reloadable Hannaford card designs are now available in denominations of $25, $50 and up. Please see Catherine Palmer at Fellowship Hour on Sunday.

**Another way to Support the Church**

The Gardiner Food Co-op will be providing the following support for our church: When people go to the co-op and buy gift certificates of $100 increments, Gardiner Food Co-op will donate $5.00 for each $100 gift certificates to the church. Just be sure to let them know you are from the UU church of Augusta. If you have questions, please call Sunshine at 557-3078.

 Thank you, Sunshine Perlis

**SOCIAL ACTIVITIES:**

*Happy Summer! I'm asking any and all if you see or hear a speaker, event, craft etc. that you feel we should invite to our church, please keep it in the back of your mind and let me know. Social Activities is always looking for new ideas. CC*

The long-awaited Photo Directory is here!

Photo Directories are available for all those individuals and families who had their photo taken or who submitted a photo for inclusion in the directory. The directories are ready to be picked up in the church foyer, filed alphabetically, in a box.

Note: a few non-photo Directories are also available in the foyer; they were recently emailed to the congregation within the last month.

**Essentials Pantry Requesting HELP**

Prince of Peace/St. Mark's/The Church @209 **Essentials Pantry** is serving 225-300 people twice a month. It was becoming a challenge financially.

To facilitate doing a **monthly inventory** of needed items, the Capital Area Multifaith Association has agreed to help with basic essentials. Each faith organization, church, synagogue has agreed to help with supplies. UUCC of Augusta has been assigned toothpaste and toothbrushes.

You can drop off a supply of toothpaste, toothbrushes at the church office or in the red wagon in the coat room at the church. All supplies will be delivered to St. Mark’s Essential Pantry.

The good people of Augusta are grateful for your generosity.

**This Week at UUCC …**

**Monday, July 25, 2016**

 Private Piano Lessons, 11:00 a.m., Sanctuary

 Nar-ANON, 5:30 pm, Robbins Room

 SGM (T. Cairn), 6:00 pm, DH (1st Fl. Parlor)

 Sangha Meditation, 6:30 pm, Sanctuary

**Tuesday, July 26, 2016**

 SGM (D. Sorensen), 10:00 a.m., Off Premises

 ALANON, Noon, Robbins Room

 RENTAL – Mattson, 12:30 pm, DH (1st Fl. Parlor)

 SGM (M. Stengel), 2:00 pm, Off Premises

 Gentle YOGA Class, 5:00 pm, Fellowship Hall

**Wednesday, July 27, 2016**

 RENTAL J. Clark, 9:30 am, DH (1st Fl. Parlor)

 Seasoned Souls, 10:30 a.m., Fellowship Hall

 Craft Circle, 5:30 pm, Fellowship Hall

**Thursday, July 28, 2016** <No mtgs/events scheduled>

**Friday, July 29, 2016** <No meetings/events scheduled>

**Saturday, July 30, 2016** <No events/mtgs scheduled>

**Sunday, July 31, 2016**

 Worship Service, 10:00 a.m. Lammas: Harmony and Hope in First Service\*\*, Goddess / Live Circle Group

 KVO Listening Session, 11:30 a.m., F Hall

 <please see Upcoming Events for details>

\*\*Celebrate the First Harvest of the year, a time of harmony between the male and female energies and dieties, and share luminaries of hope for the world today.

**Upcoming Events**

**Sunday, July 31, 2016, 11:30, Fellowship Hall**

Kennebec Valley Organization (“KVO”) is a broad-based collective of religious congregations, labor union locals, community and small business groups that bring people together across lines of religion, geography, age, ethnic group, and economic status to take action on our issues of shared concern (i.e. saving, strengthening, and creating good jobs, affordable housing, and critical public services). Roberta F. Record is KVO Board Representative for the UUCC of Augusta.

We will meet July 31st from 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall for a “listening session”. KVO is trying to assess community needs and wants to hear from you! Here is your opportunity to let this group know what you feel are the significant community needs in your area whether the need is public transportation, improved health care, services for seniors, new business incentives or any other public policy issue that would improve the community in general.

Please plan to stay after fellowship hour on Sunday, July 31st to spend a few minutes to tell us what you feel should be done (big picture or small detail) to improve life in your Maine community. KVO will use this information to help develop a plan of action for the coming year.

**KVO Past Accomplishments**

1. Crisis intervention training for area law enforcement.

2. Gained an increase in the state minimum wage in 2006.

3. Addressed elder needs for transportation improvements for rural seniors, and for health care needs.

4. Brought SEARCH to address elder isolation, providing companionship, conversation, and assistance to our neighbors in need.

5. Advocated for protection of seniors and for children in the state budget fights.

6. Joined Start Me Right Coalition to protect and improve Head Start and other programs for low income families.

7. Advocated for the passage of a $15 million bond issue to increase affordable housing for seniors and help allow seniors to comfortably remain in their homes.

In the coming months, KVO will continue to work with allies to win passage of the referendum to increase Maine's minimum wage. We will continue our multi-generational advocacy for vulnerable seniors, workers, and families.

We will be having a candidate forum night to educate elected officials in the area on important issues of social and economic justice from the results of our listening sessions.

**Sunday, August 28, 2016**

This event “Fabulous Flute Repertoire of the 20th Century” is the first concert event in our 2016-17 Concert Series. This event will feature our own Bridget Convey on piano and Krysia Tripp on the flute and the music of Barber, Gieseking, Glanville-Hicks and Hue. Begins at 4pm in the UUCC Sanctuary.

**MARK THE DATE – CHOIR Notices**

The UUCC Choir is always welcoming new members. Please join us! We will have a choir retreat and welcoming meeting on Wednesday August 24th from 6-8 pm in the Sanctuary. Our first Choir Rehearsal of the season will be Wednesday, August 31st from 6-8pm in the Sanctuary. Questions: Contact our Music Director, Bridget Convey @ musicdirector@augustauu.org

**For the complete calendar of events, visit the UUCC website:** [**www.augustauu.org**](http://www.augustauu.org)

**Budget Report**

Deposit (week beginning 7/17/16):

 Pledge Payments (2016-2017) $13,584.00

 Offering 36.01

 Miscellaneous (April Dinner/Movie) 24.00

 Fundraising (Yard Sale) 32.75

 Donations (Sangha $100) 100.00

 Total income for week $13,776.76

\*includes July ACH Payments

Avg budgeted weekly expenses 2016/17= $ 4,400.76

 ($228,840. divided by 52 weeks)

Pledge payments received this week for 2015-16 was $300.-

*UUCC Office Hours*

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Monday ----------------------------------<No office hours>

Tues., Wed. AND Thurs.--------------9:00 am to 4:00 pm

Friday -------------------------------------< No office hours >

**Rev. Carie’s Office Hours:**

**Rev Carie is on vacation July 18th - Aug 14th.**

Our Pastoral Ministry Team will still be here to provide confidential, caring and compassionate presence during times of grief, loss, life changes and stress. To request support during Rev. Carie’s vacation, please contact Annie Nessen Voorhees at 620-2011 or Annabelle.voo@gmail.com.

Caring Cooperative support includes rides, meals, errands, get well and condolence cards as well as companion visits. If you need Caring Cooperative support, contact Cheryl Abruzzese at cam1nik2@gmail.com or 858-5340.

**Sunday Services / Staff Contact information:**

Youth Advisor, Monique McAuliffe youthadvisor@augustauu.org

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