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UUA 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 to spiritual growth in our congregations.
- * A free and responsible search for truth and meaning.
- * The right of conscience and the use of 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.

(Adopted by the 1984 and 1985 General Assemblies)

Summer Lay-Led Services are held in the Parlor at 9:30am, child care and coffee hour are not available over the summer months - Everyone is welcome!

August 7th Service - Poetry Breakfast - The service will be led by Jan Sacco

August 14th Service - Healing and Spiritual Aspects of Aromatherapy - The service will be led by Barbara Fraser and Tim DeCoteau

August 21st Service - U. S. Parks Across the Country - The service will be led by David and Ruth Larrabee

August 28th Service - Escaping Labrador - The service will be led by Lee Burnett

September 4th Service - Veterans Today and on Into Tomorrow - The service will be led by Gary Wood

September 11th Service - We return to regular worship service in the Sanctuary on this day. Today's service is our water celebration and ingathering, led by our new Interim Minister, Rev. Steve Cook. Please note, for this Sunday only, the service will begin at 11:00am in order to give Rev. Cook time to lead the service at the Saco - Biddeford UU Church and the Sanford UU Church. Don't forget to bring water you have collected over the summer to add to our holy water.

SUUC Volunteers at the Sanford Mainers Baseball Game on June 28th!



♥ Sue, Grace, Ellie and Penny Together in Costa Rica ♥



Common Good Reminder - Yes, it is time to begin thinking about signing up to volunteer for our Common Good! Our sign-up sheets for the Common Good (greeting, providing flowers, hosting coffee/social hour) are located on the bulletin board in the Parlor. The sign-up sheets give everyone an opportunity to add their name to the dates they would like to greet, supply flowers and/or host our coffee/social hour. We would like to see everyone participate 2-3 times over the year if possible. In every case, you will receive an email reminder the week before your chosen date(s). Thank you for your participation

Coffee Hour - Most of us seem to enjoy coffee hour after church. It's especially important as a time to welcome newcomers and chat with them. So we're going to work really hard to have one or two folks signed up to host coffee hour each week. In an effort to make it easier, we'll try to keep crackers, nuts, dried fruit, etc. on hand. Remember coffee hour is just a little snack to have with conversation, nothing fancy is required. The cupboards have been reorganized and a diagram is available on the counter. Thanks so much, looking forward to seeing everyone back for the regular church on September 11th.

Water Service - As the summer winds down, we would like to remind you that during our first service, which will be held on September 11th, that it will be held at a different time; instead of 10:30am it will be held at 11:00am. Please note this is for the September 11th service ONLY. This will enable Rev. Cook to lead the service both at the Saco - Biddeford UU Church and the Sanford UU Church. We will gather to celebrate and reconnect with our annual Water Celebration and Ingathering and we will mingle the waters we have collected over the summer. This past year, our "holy" water was used at funerals and memorial services, weddings and services of union, for child dedications and for special blessings and other rites of passage. All musicians and drummers are needed for pre-service music on Sunday the 11th. Don't forget to bring your collected water on that day.

Welcome Back to Church - The Sanford UU Church offers many opportunities to express our artistic selves; one may join the choir, the bell choir, create items for the Fair, or participate in the special gifts portion of our Sunday services. Diane Whiteside-Peck invites you to offer a bit of your spirit this year, and sign up to read a poem, play an instrument, or sing a song for your friends in church. Please contact Diane for more information at 646-3780.

Church Directory - Towards the middle of September we will have a new church directory. If you would like your birthday included in this fall's directory, please send your information to the office. Also, if you have any changes regarding your phone number, address or email address, please let the office know so we can make sure information is as accurate as possible. Thank you.

Office Hours - The office will resume regular hours of Monday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday open from 7:00-12:00, beginning Monday, August 29th.

In the Family - Lindsay E. Kidder and James P. Bellissimo became engaged to be married on July 15th at the Dave Matthews Band concert in Saratoga Springs, NY with Roger, Becky, her boyfriend Chris, and Patty Kidder there to watch and cheer them on! It was a fantastic, but very wet (it rained every day they were there) weekend camping in NY. Congratulations to the happy couple!



(An English Yard Sale)

**St. George's Episcopal Church
1 Emerson Street, Sanford**

**August 13, 2016
9:00am – 2:00pm**

Lots of goodies, something for everyone!

**Proceeds benefit
Sanford Outreach Programs**

FMI 324-8119

Church Bulletin Bloopers ☺

Due to the Rector's illness, Wednesday's healing services will be discontinued until further notice.

Join us for Summer Services on Sundays Through Labor Day

Reminders about summer services:

- Services begin at 9:30am
- Held in the Parlor
- Informal
- There may be music, there may not
- Lay or minister led services
- No snacks following worship service
- No RE classes
- No child care

Please see page one of the newsletter for a list of upcoming services.

Did You Know that the Sanford UU Church has a Facebook Page?

Along with many other churches, we have clicked into 'social media' with a Facebook page. All other means and modes of communication continues; this is just another (excellent) way to share news plus have some visibility for the good things happening here. We hope you will like... and "LIKE" this page so that it shows up on your page. Feel free to share it and feel free to post information that might be of interest to others in our congregation, such as photos from events at church. Please visit and like us at <https://www.facebook.com/sanfordunitarianuniversalistchurch>

SUUC Choir

Do you like singing in a choir? Finding it hard to make a big time commitment? Are you more comfortable in a liberal, affirming spiritual community? We may have just the right situation for you! The Sanford UU Church is searching for singers who like to make good music, and have fun doing it. If you can commit to three rehearsals before we sing, you're in. You don't need to be able to read music, just have good ears and be ready to be a part of a fun and challenging choral experience. FMI, contact Rev. Charlie Grindle at ycuumd@gmail.com. The first rehearsal will be held at the church on Monday, September 5th at 6:30pm. Anyone who likes to sing is welcome to join us!

Parking for the Church

MIDTOWN MALL (one block southeast) has plenty of free parking.

If you need to park closer to the church:

Lebanon Street: YES - in front of the church and Goodall Hall only.

Twombly Road: YES.

Town Realty: NO

Sweetser Lot: NO

Salvation Army: NO

(Their services are held at 10:45am)

Board 2016-2017

President: Aileen Fortune June 30, 2017
Vice President: Diane Whiteside-Peck June 30, 2017
Clerk: Bruce Harrison June 30, 2018
Financial Secretary: Janet Wood June 30, 2018
Treasurer: Deb Folsom June 30, 2017
Co-DREs: Mesha and Ryan Quinn
Choir Director: Charles Grindle

Liaisons:

Stella DiAnn June 30, 2017
Gary Wood June 30, 2018
Patty Kidder June 30, 2019

Church Leadership 2016-2017

Budget and Finance Chair:
Building and Grounds Chair: Bob McCormick
Caring Circle: Gail Lemley Burnett
Choir: Charles Grindle
Church Historian: Helen Kane
Committee on Ministry: Ryan Quinn, Gail Lemley
Corner Cupboard Treasurer: Peg Sawyer
Earth Stewards Green Team: Judi Reis
Finance Committee:
Grant Manager: Marcel Gagnon
Homesteaders: Jan Sacco and Melody Wood
Members and Friends: Tonia Chase, Ginny Howe, Lisa Huestis
Music Committee: Melody Wood
Nominating Committee : Tonia Chase, Patty Kidder
Partners For Sacred Places: Lee Burnett
Pianist: Ruth Leipold
Religious Education Committee:
Second Century Fund Committee: Lee Burnett
Stewardship: Diane Whiteside-Peck and Patty Kidder
UUSC:
Women's Alliance: Nancy Farnham
Worship: Rev. Steve Cook
Worship Associates: Rev. Steve Cook, Bev Brent, Judi Reis,
Jan Sacco, Janie Waterhouse, Stella DiAnn, Patty Kidder, Mesha Quinn, Evelyn LaBree, Tom Huber, Vicky Bugado

Caring Circle

Gail Lemley Burnett is in charge of our Caring Circle for providing help in case of illness, hospitalization, need for a ride to church, doctors' appointments, etc. Please call Gail at 324-1596 if you need assistance.

Minister's Hours

Rev. Steve Cook
Hours TBA

Administrative Office Hours

Summer office hours are: Monday, Wednesday,
and Thursday 7:00-12:00
info@sanforduuchurch.org

Co-Directors of Religious Education

Mesha and Ryan Quinn - dre@sanforduuchurch.org

Church and Community Groups

AA Meetings: AA meetings are held every Sunday from 5:00pm-6:15pm and Fridays 6:00pm-7:00pm in vestry

Board Meeting: TBA

Book Group: Will resume in the fall

Choir: Will resume rehearsals in the fall

Church Work Party: The next work day will be held on Saturday, August 13th from 8:00ish-noon

Committee on Ministry: Meets as needed

Corner Cupboard Meetings: Next date the CC is open is August 20th from 10:00-2:00

Council Meeting: Meets as needed

Earth Stewards Green Team: Meets as needed

Finance Committee: Will resume meeting in the fall

Homesteader's Group: Generally meets 6:30pm at the church or a member's home on the third Thursday of the month

Music Lessons: Private lessons are given on Mondays from 12:30-3:00 and Wednesday from 1:40-3:00 and 6:50-7:35 in the Sanctuary or Goodall Hall.

Narcotics Anonymous: Meets every Wednesday in the vestry from 7:00pm to 9:30pm

Second Century Building Committee: Meets as needed

UUYC (UUs of York County) Meeting: Meets as needed

Violence No More: Every Thursday at 5:00pm in the vestry

Women's Alliance: Meets the second Wednesday of the month at 12:00 noon

Worship Associates: Will resume meeting late summer