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⊕ First Universalist Church of Essex ⊕
Weekly Update



This Sunday's Service @ 10:00 am at Church and on Zoom:

Collecting Shards of Light

This Sunday **Aviva Herr-Welber** from ECCO speaks about her journey in heeding Judaism's call for justice.

Becky is our Worship Associate.

Bethany is our Zoom Host.

Alex is our AV Tech.

Fran plays piano.

This Sunday's [Order of Service](#).

Sunday Service will be in-person and there will be an opportunity to watch and participate from Zoom, too. Please do what makes you feel comfortable. But do join us! Every one of you is so important to our community. And seeing each other is so inspiring.

Our UU Essex Zoom Room:

PIN: 058883

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[Updated Health Policy for in Church Gatherings](#)





Prayer List...

In Our Thoughts and Prayers:

Prayers and well wishes for:

Joan Keller as **Maria Menendez** passed away on Sunday, October 9th.

Send cards to:

Joan Keller

3449 Golda Circle

No. Fort Myers, FL 33917

Lois Bairstow and her sister **Peggy Duff**. Lois is home trying to recover from the sudden onset of a rare auto immune disease. Her sister Peggy is living with Lois and taking care of her and her two sons, **Foster** and **Aidan**. They can still use some help with occasional errands and dinners. Contact Peggy at 617-285-8784.

And for:

The family of **Linda Kidder**, who lived in Essex and occasionally attended services at our church. Linda passed away on October 6th. Her daughter **Julie Mahoney** reached out to let us know that a Celebration of Life service will be held at 1 pm on Sunday, November 13th at the UU church in Gloucester, where she was a member. If anyone would like to make a contribution to honor her memory, Julie said the family has chosen to support the Marblehead Animal Shelter. Linda loved cats and had grown up in Marblehead.



All are welcome to share their joys and concerns with the Worship Committee prior to Sunday services for the Worship Associate to share with the congregation if they cannot make it to Church or would rather not share it themselves. Please email [Lindle](#).

Spiritual Direction

We have two resource people who are friends of the congregation and are available to offer spiritual direction:

Retired UCC Minister Jonathan Goodell (who will be preaching October 23rd on Al-Anon), 781-835-8133 and Sister Ellen Keane, SND, at Notre Dame Spirituality Center in Ipswich, 978-380-1561.

Splitting Our Collection Plate

Thank you for all donations so far. All amounts collected will be matched from the Tyler Social Justice Fund, up to \$500. To clarify how the collection is done, we give only on the one day of the month that will be announced, and use only the contributions that are a one time contribution, any donations that are a recurring contribution will be assumed regular church funds.

We encourage anyone with a charity, special to them, to email Liz Raycroft

eraycroft@gmail.com or Ken Swanson at: Ken@peckotpeppers.com



Holiday Fair: Sat., Nov. 19th

Cookies and More

This year we are asking for donations of cookies, pies, brownies, bread's, and wine baskets. If you would like to donate, please contact [Jenn Sauriol](#).

Crafts

If you have a craft you would like to donate to the Crafts Sale, please contact [Bethany Swanson](#) with your ideas.

Some ideas from the past:

Pottery, knit items, paintings, mandala artwork, crocheted items, handmade jewelry, photography, and much more.

White Elephant Sale

For those who would like to donate to the "White Elephant" sale, we will accept donations in the Church Hall from 11/16 to 11/18, with times to be announced soon. If you have questions on what is acceptable for the sale, please contact Debbie Frontierro at debfrontierro@gmail.com.

Please note that all unsold items will be given to Savers or Goodwill

Set Up/Cleanup

We will also need volunteers for set up Friday and cleanup Saturday afternoon. Please contact Ken or Bethany if you can help.



Building Committee News

"GO GREEN" The mold and mildew which covered the front railings has been removed. The bright white rails and posts now offer a clean fresh look to the entrance.

Your BC continues to peck away at the various items that keep our UU home looking sharp. Next on the agenda is to refurbish the First Universalist Church sign on the front lawn, and replace the two exterior light fixtures at the front doors.

Will Holton

Mysticism and Resistance: A Spiritual Path

Art is doing an in-person workshop at Notre Dame Spirituality Center on Saturday, November 12th, from 9:30am to 12 noon.

The title is Mysticism and Resistance: A Spiritual Path. He'll share insights from the medieval mystic, Catherine of Siena, and the contemporary feminist theologian, Dorothee Soelle.

Please register ahead of time at [ND Spirituality Center](#).



Turn the Clocks Back

Daylight saving time will end on Nov. 6th. Turn clocks back one hour.



Church Calendar

Visit uuessex.org to view the [Church Calendar](#)

Email [Laurel](#) to add your event to the calendar

Upcoming Events:

11/5 (Sat) @ 10:00am **Crafting (in person)**

11/5 (Sat) @ 5:00pm **Halloween Walk (in person)**

11/6 (Sun) @ 10:00am **Sunday Service (in person and on Zoom)**

11/6 (Sun) @ 10:00am **RE (in person)**

11/6 (Sun) @ 11:00am **Coffee Hour (in person and on Zoom)**



Crafting Session: Sat., Nov. 5th, 10am to 2pm

Bethany will be at the church from 10am to 2pm this Saturday. She will bring supplies to make felt and beaded items. This is one of the Craft Fair focused crafting sessions to prepare some things for the church fair on November 19th. We would love it if you could join and add your skills to the mix. Please join us! If you are interested in hearing more please contact Bethany (bethanyq@yahoo.com or 914-953-7061).



Halloween Walk

The 4th annual HALLOWEEN WALK is coming November 5th from 6-7:30pm! This fun event is sponsored by UBU and FOR ALL AGES- come see the church yard transformed under a (nearly) full moon! Bring your leftover candy! We need help with set up and character stations. Questions for Molly? mbelisle2@hotmail.com



Lantern Walk

Join us for the Lantern Walk held at the Duff's house at 6pm on Sat., Nov. 12th. We will have lanterns available and light refreshments. Eva has been invited. (Rain date Sun., Nov. 13th)

Our Work In the Community



ECCO: Knock Across Cape Ann

Come get out the vote with UU Essex and ECCO!