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⊕ First Universalist Church of Essex ⊕
Weekly Update



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

Intergenerational Thanksgiving Service

This Sunday **Allison** and **Molly** invite us to bring our sense of wonder as our children participate in a service that welcomes wiggles and giggles, honoring the childlike nature in all of us.

Sean is our Worship Associate.

Bethany is our Zoom Host.

Alex is our AV Tech.

Alexandra plays piano and **Choir** performs.

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. Seeing each other is so inspiring.

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

Our UU Essex Zoom Room:

PIN: 058883

<https://zoom.us/j/9042034298>

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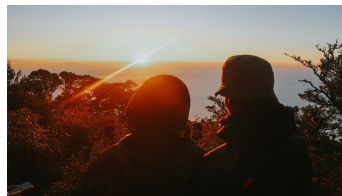
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Prayer List...

In Our Thoughts and Prayers:

Prayers and well wishes for:

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.



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 preached for us on 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

We do not have a charity for Nov. or Dec. yet so please let us know if you have a charity in mind. 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@peckofpeppers.com



Holiday Fair: Sat., Nov. 19th, 9am to 2pm

Cookie Walk

Calling all Bakers!

The cookie walk is back for the Holiday Fair!

What we need:

- People who would be willing to make a batch (or a few batches) of any of

... people who would be willing to make a donation (for their business, or any of your favorite cookies*

- Please sign up

here: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C044AAAAA22A5F85-cookie>



Cookie Walk 2022

Please review the available slots below and click the button to sign up. Thank you!

*With each type of cookie, please supply a list of ingredients used and the name of the baker (just one copy for our records as required by serv-safe) *This year, please wrap cookies in a package of 1-3, we will still do the cookie walk, but there will not be any open cookies. [SignupGenius](https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C044AAAAA22A5F85-cookie)

***What is different this year:**

- We are asking that cookies be individually wrapped (in packages of 1-3) so that there are no open plates of cookies

Drop Off Options:

- Deliver wrapped cookies to the church before Saturday at 8am

- Deliver unwrapped cookies in a container (box or bag) to the church by **5pm Friday** or to Jenn's home - 44 Chestnut St. Hamilton

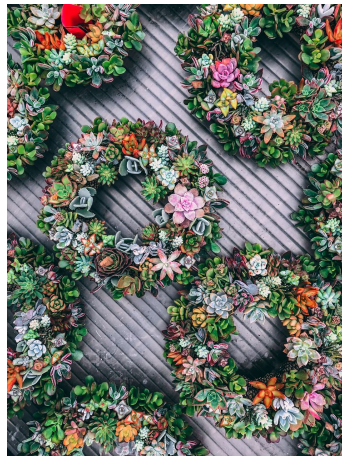
**if you would like to make something other than cookies, we will be able to offer that within the cookie walk*

What is a Cookie Walk?

- A way to sell baked goods
- People will buy a container and then be able to fill that container with their choice of cookies

Questions: Please call or text Jenn - 978-304-7564

Thank you!



Crafts

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

Some items in the past:

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

Help Needed for the Holiday Fair White Elephant Sale!

We are looking for toys/games, books, household goods, yard tools/decorations, etc. Items should be clean and in good condition. Please note that all unsold items will be given to Savers or Goodwill. Also, you may donate any baked goods other than cookies (they will go to the Cookie Walk!).

Drop-off time at the church:

Friday 11/18 5-7 PM

Please consider helping out with one of the following:

Set-up

Friday 11/18 5-7 PM

Work the tables at the fair on Saturday 11/19

9-11 AM

11 AM - 1 PM

1-3 PM

Clean-up

Saturday 11/19 3-4:40 PM

We are looking for someone with an Essex Transfer station sticker for Sat. at 3:00pm.

Contact Debbie at debfrontierro@gmail.com. Or call or text at 508-423-7725



Church Calendar

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

Email Laurel to add your event to the calendar

Upcoming Events:

11/18 (Fri) @ 5:00pm **White Elephant/Cookie drop off (in person)**

11/19 (Sat) @ 9:00am **Holiday Fair (in person)**

11/19 (Sat) @ 4:45pm **Spiritual Parenting (in person)**

11/20 (Sun) @ 8:45am **Choir Practice (in person)**

11/20 (Sun) @ 10:00am **Sunday Service (in person and on Zoom)**

11/20 (Sun) @ 10:00am **RE (in person)**

11/20 (Sun) @ 11:00am **Coffee Hour (in person and on Zoom)**

11/20 (Sun) @ 5:00pm **UBU (in person at the Gould's house)**



Left Over Sunday

Nov. 27th will be left over Sunday. For the first time in three years, we will gather for a meal together in the church hall after service. Please bring whatever leftovers you have. We don't have a functioning stove to heat food, but we do have a microwave.

Mysticism and Resistance: A Spiritual Path

Art will offer a workshop on Zoom on November 30th, 6:00-7:45pm.

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

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.



Coffee House/Open Mic

We are working on planning our first (monthly) coffee house/open mic Saturday, December 10th at UU Essex and would love your input.

We plan to have a featured performer each month with room for anyone to sign up to perform before/after feature. For example: 30 minute open mic, 30 minute feature, 30 minute open mic. "Second Saturdays Open mic" will

continue from here on.

Please complete this [survey](#) to help us plan.

Reach out to Alexandra Kirby with any questions or if you want to help out: Pleasantstreetmusicstudio@gmail.com or 978-412-5117
