Upcoming Worship Services

Sunday, August 12, 2018, 11:00 AM
I have heard my people's cry of wailing! The prayer that God cannot fail to hear. Deacon Steven DeMartino

Deacon Steven DeMartino, the Director of Priest Wellness for the Archdiocese of New York, returns to UUCSR after a recent trip to Central America (El Salvador and Guatemala). He is active as a meeting facilitator and a supervisor for faith-based organizations and leadership teams, as well as a seminary teacher.

Sunday, August 19, 2018, 11:00 AM
Desert Buffet
Guest Preacher, Shari Halliday-Quan

This Sunday’s preacher loves the hot, dry, extreme nature of the desert, but the desert itself is rather indifferent to humans. In this country, the harsh landscape is a place of border crossing, and throughout history, the desert has served as the site of spiritual struggle and transformation. What insights, gifts, and challenges does this geography offer us? Even from afar, we have much to learn.

Shari Halliday-Quan is a candidate for UU ministry, a recent graduate of Union Theological Seminary, and the youth ministry coordinator at First Unitarian in Brooklyn. Next year, she’ll serve as the intern minister at First Unitarian Universalist Society of San Francisco and continue her work with the steering committee of the Asian/Pacific Islander Caucus of DRUUMM (Diverse & Revolutionary UU Multicultural Ministries), an organization for UUs of Color.

Sunday, August 26, 2018, 11:00 AM
Reverence for Life
The Rev. LoraKim Joyner, DVM

Albert Schweitzer, physician, theologian, and philosopher, gave to the world the Reverence for Life Ethic. How can we live like he did, with deep reverence for all of life in ways that nurture and save ourselves, as we save the world? Join us as we reflect upon this, and what it means to be human in a multispecies world.

Rev. Joyner combines her experience as wildlife veterinarian, certified trainer in Nonviolent Communication, and Unitarian Universalist minister to address the importance of both human and nonhuman well being in living a deeply meaningful and vibrant life, as well as caring for self, family, relationships, organizations, and life all around us. She serves as Community Minister affiliated with the Community Unitarian Church, White Plains, NY, and Co-Director of One Earth Conservation.

Touchstones
The Rev. Jennifer Brower

In the days ahead, the Ministerial Transition Task Force of the Board of Trustees will be sending out a packet of information to the members of UUCSR. The Task Force will be asking for your input regarding the shape of ministry at Shelter Rock in the near and distant future. Although the packet contains a lot of information, it is hoped that you will reflect upon what is provided and respond to the survey that will be included.

While tasks like this require from us a good bit of effort, this is an exciting time in congregational life. Your engagement on this level is an expression of the privilege and responsibility of congregational polity – the Unitarian Universalist system of governance in which each congregation decides - among other things – the number of ordained ministers it will have and the forms of ministry that will best serve the needs of the congregation.

There was a time in our congregation’s history when we grew from one minister to two. The members of the congregation of that era had to engage in a discernment process exploring why and how and when to call a second minister. Those members of yesteryear had to decide how the ministry would be shared – or they asked their called ministers to establish the division of labor within the ministry team. Later, the team of two grew to three ministers. Were you a member then? Do you know what prompted that decision? Some of the rationale and processes behind our important congregational decisions have been lost to time. But, thankfully, records have been kept and we have the benefit of a number of long time members who will recall some of the vision and details behind congregational decisions such as expanding the ministry team.

Now, it is the turn of this generation of members to decide the future of ministry at Shelter Rock – not just the number of ministers, but also any changes that might be made in the ministers’ areas of specialization to better serve our congregational mission. Preparation for this work will require some understanding of ministry – what it is and what it isn’t – and how our ministry relates to you – the members – and to the Board of Trustees. It is important
for you to know how the ministers and Congregation Operations Administrator and lay staff work together, too. There will also need to be some deep consideration of the different forms of ministry our congregation needs, and in what balance, today and over the next five or ten years.

This year, the final year of the Rev. Ned Wight’s interim ministry, the ministry team members will be talking about ministry with the Board of Trustees and in conversations with the congregation. We hope that you’ll come to those conversations with questions and your marvelous creativity and vision and hopes for UUCSR’s future.

This IS an exciting time in the life of our congregation.

Warmly,
Rev. Jennifer

SOULFUL SUNDOWN
Friday, September 14, 2018, 7:30 PM
The Rev. Jennifer L. Brower

Soulful Sundown
Second Fridays
Dinner ($4) 6:30 PM
Worship 7:30 PM
Live Band: The Cosmic Orchestra
Free Coffee House
with Donovan Woods
follows Service

SUMMER BUILDING HOURS

Following cost-savings included in the recently adopted budget, the UUCSR Board passed a resolution to adjust building hours. The new schedule begins after Labor Day.

Normal summer hours are observed July 4 until Labor Day; the building will be open late only on Wednesday evenings. Any requests for extended hours during the summer will be handled as normal exceptions by the COA in coordination with the Facilities Director.

STAFF POSITIONS AVAILABLE

The Unitarian Universalist Congregation at Shelter Rock is a special place to work—where work can be in alignment with values. We are an inclusive and progressive religious denomination, committed to diversity and equity. Do you know someone who should work here?

We are currently accepting applications for the following open positions:

- Facilities Supervisor
- Facilities Technician, full-time
- Facilities Technician, part-time
- Religious Education Administrative Assistant
- Veatch Program Operations Manager
- Veatch Program Officer

Visit the Employment section of the UUCSR.org homepage for job descriptions. Please contact HR@UUCSR.org with your interest in an application and interview. Thank you.

TRANSPORTATION ASSISTANCE

UUCSR offers FREE transportation assistance to Sunday Worship and Soulful Sundown Services for members who are unable to travel due to physical or financial limitations. Contact Kimberly Rossiter, Assistant to the Ministers, at krossiter@uucsr.org or 516.472.2941 for an application.

MEMBER POSITIONS AVAILABLE

HADLEY HOUSE, LLC

The Board of Trustees has begun the search for a five-member Hadley House LLC Board of Managers now that all legal requirements related to the LLC formation have been met.

If you are a UUCSR member and interested in serving on the Board of Managers, please contact Adam Barshak, Congregation Operations Administrator, at abarshak@uucsr.org to request an application for consideration. The Board of Trustees will review applications at a meeting to be scheduled mid-summer.

In June 2018, the Board of Trustees announced approval of a Hadley House, LLC Operating Agreement. Pro Forma Lease, Articles of Organization, and Pledge Agreement Documents will be made available in the MYUUCSR section of the congregation’s website.

HOME COMING PICNIC 2018 – HELP WANTED

Our 30th Anniversary Homecoming Picnic is a month away! The planning team is busy at work and we need your help as chefs, food servers, dessert preparers and activity organizers. Please contact Elaine Corrao 516.472.2933 or ecorrao@uucsr.org to join our picnic team of volunteers.

Questions: please contact Richard Bock, Homecoming Picnic Coordinator at 516.922.6052 or rbock@optonline.net.

Mark your calendar for Sunday, September 16, 2018, for our gala Homecoming 2018 event.

See back cover of this Quest for additional details.
August 7, 2018

MUSIC, MUSIC, MUSIC

The Summer Music Concert Planning Committee thanks the Shelter Rock Office Staff, facilities staff, and all our members and friends for generously supporting our 13th Annual Orchestra at Shelter Rock Summer Concert.

Richard Bock and Chris Hilke, Co-Chairs

WOMEN’S GROUP BOOK SERIES

SEPTEMBER 21, 2018
The Little Stranger
by Sarah Waters
Leader: Diane Mansell

OCTOBER 19, 2018
Killers of the Flower Moon: The Osage Murders and the Birth of the FBI
by David Grann
Leader: WinterFlower Robinson

NOVEMBER 16, 2018
At the Broken Places: A Mother and Trans Son Pick Up the Pieces
by Marie Collins and Donald Collins
Leader: Robin Finnan-Jones

DECEMBER 21, 2018
The Favored Daughter
by Fawzia Koofi (former Shelter Rock Forum speaker)
Leader: Latifa Woodhouse

JANUARY 18, 2019
The Female Persuasion
by Meg Wolitzer
Leader: Lee Geisen

FEBRUARY 15, 2019
One Thousand White Women
by Jim Fergus
Leader: Claire Paccione

MARCH 15, 2019
The Woman in the Photo
by Mary Hogan
Leader: Robin Finnan-Jones

APRIL 19, 2019
The Life She Was Given
by Ellen Marie Wiseman
Leader: Diane Mansell

MAY 17, 2019
The Ninth Hour
by Alice McDermott
Leader: Claire Deroche

JUNE 21, 2019
The Great Alone
by Kristin Hannah
Leaders: Claire Paccione and Renée Silver

Third Fridays
7:30 PM
Art Gallery

CABARET IS COMING…
Cast Call:

It is summer but not too early to begin thinking about Cabaret XVI – our Sixteenth Edition raising funds for our Ed Miller Memorial Music Scholarship Fund! Our talented Cabaret Planning Team is hard at work developing our ‘Sweet Sixteen’ edition and we are sending you this early-bird cast call for the show! Please mark your calendars – our first full-cast call is Wednesday, September 12, 2018, at 7:00 PM.

Our show date is November 3, 2018, with an encore performance at Hadley House on Sunday, November 4, 2018, at 3:00 PM.

Please contact Richard Bock, Cabaret Music Director, at 516.922.6052 or rbock@optonline.net for details.
I am pleased to announce that on August 6, Carson Jones assumed the position of Religious Education Coordinator at UUCSR. Carson had been serving as RE Administrative Assistant at UUCSR since 2015 and is known to many of you as a friendly face (or voice or email). Previously, Carson was RE Assistant at the Unitarian Church of All Souls in New York City, from 2007-2015.

Over the last decade, he has taken eleven UUA Religious Education continuing education Renaissance Modules and professional trainings, and been involved in regional and national Unitarian Universalist professional gatherings. Carson’s educational background is in theater and film; he earned a Master of Fine Arts from Columbia University, and he brings that creativity to his work with us.

Carson is committed to Unitarian Universalism and has written: “Unitarian Universalist faith formation is a highly individual journey, but it cannot happen in a vacuum. Only in community, with all voices heard and valued, can our journeys be deeply informed and transformational.” Please welcome Carson to his new role at Shelter Rock.

The Rev. Dr. Natalie Maxwell Fenimore

Soulful Songs & Stories
September 21, 2018
7:00–8:30 PM, Room 14

This small group gathering meets from 7:00 to 8:30 PM on the third Friday of each month to consider the spiritual relevance and personal meaning found in a song chosen for each month.

The song for September is Eddie Vedder’s “Society” (www.j.mp/uucsr18). It’s a springboard for sharing your thoughts and stories on the song’s themes. Please join us in a relaxed and safe space to deepen your spiritual life and connect with Unitarian Universalism and fellow travelers. Alice Giordano and Steve Marston are your guides on this adventure. Newcomers are welcome! Please ask Carson Jones (cjones@uucsr.org or 516.472.2915) for a copy of our format and covenant. If you register, you’ll receive an email reminder, the song lyrics, and related food for thought. (It’s your choice whether or not to listen to the song and/or read the lyrics ahead of time; the discussion works equally well either way.) Flyers with more information, all the dates, and the format are on the literature table in the Main Lobby.

Last reminder to submit artwork for the 2018 Congregational Art Show

Yes, the Congregational Art Show is this month! We can’t wait to see what everyone is submitting this year.

We hope you all will join us on August 19 for the Reception to meet the artists and experience the artistic richness of our Congregation.

Drop off artwork: Sunday, August 12, from 12:00-1:30 PM
Thursday, August 16, from 2:00-6:00 PM

Installation: Friday, August 17, from 9:00-3:00 PM

Reception: Sunday, August 19, from 1:00-3:00 PM

Pick up artwork: Wednesday, Sept. 19, 10:00-12:00 PM

Complete details are included in the registration information sheet found on the flyer table in the Lobby. If you have any further questions, please contact Elaine at 516.472.2933 or ecorrao@uucsr.org or Shirley Arlt at 516.697.4576.
VEATCH GRANTEES FIGHTING TO PROTECT IMMIGRANTS

In April, a delegation from the Veatch Program traveled to Minnesota for our annual site visit to Veatch grantees. As part of the visit, we visited a church in St. Paul, a member congregation of the faith-based organization ISAIAH that is resisting deportations by providing sanctuary to undocumented residents. One of ISAIAH’s undocumented leaders, Carlos Urrutia, shared his heartfelt story of being detained for six months and ultimately being set free due to ISAIAH’s organizing and the support of his church. Unfortunately, Carlos’ troubles did not end there.

On Thursday, July 26, at a regularly scheduled court appearance, two unidentified men in the back of the courthouse ambushed Carlos and pulled him away from family members and the ISAIAH leaders that were alongside him for support. ISAIAH demanded an explanation from the men, whom they correctly expected were agents of US Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE), but the men refused to state who they were or why they were taking Carlos.

This atrocity represents the barbaric treatment ICE dispenses to thousands of immigrants in the United States.

Since last Thursday, Carlos has been working with his attorney to prevent immediate deportation. ISAIAH has been organizing its members to contact Carlos’ legislative representatives to make his story known and implore them for assistance. Now, one week later, Veatch staff has just learned that Carlos has been granted a temporary delay of deportation. ISAIAH is now galvanizing its members to contribute to a pool of funds to help pay his lawyer and provide for his three children while Carlos cannot work. They remain hopeful that they will win.

Another Veatch grantee, Make the Road New York, helped bring about the release of three New Yorkers this week—courageous people who, like Carlos, were unjustly detained by ICE.

Pablo Villavicencio, a Long Island father of two young girls, was released two days ago. He had been detained seven weeks ago while doing his job delivering pizza. Make the Road jumped into action immediately, working to support Pablo’s wife, Sandra, in calling publicly for justice, organizing press conferences in support of the family and garnering more than 1,300 petition signatures calling for his release. All in all, Make the Road made sure the story stayed at the top of the headlines and worked closely with the expert legal team at the Legal Aid Society, which secured the court order for Pablo’s freedom from a federal judge.

In addition, Concepción and Margarito Silva, Brooklyn grandparents detained at Fort Drum, were freed after Make the Road helped facilitate the raise of the $20,000 bond. The Silvas had been trying to visit their son-in-law who is in the US Army. (They had visited him many times before without incident.) Make the Road has been supporting Perla, their daughter, in organizing press conferences, raising money for the bond and enlisting support of elected officials.

On August 2, Make the Road worked with the family to organize their first press conference since their release. They will continue to support this family as they fight their case from home.

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The Jewish High Holy Days are early this year and will soon be here. Rosh Hashanah begins at sundown on September 9 and ten days later, Yom Kippur brings this holiday period to a solemn close with the majestic and haunting strains of Kol Nidre in synagogues throughout the world. This is the perfect time to visit the UUCSR bookstore to browse our selections of Unitarian Universalist books and especially a new one we have in stock:

“Jewish Voices in Unitarian Universalism.” $14

This is a collection of essays by 20 writers who examine the good and not-so-good of being Jewish in aUU congregation. In a metropolitan area like New York and Long Island, it may be easy to fit in, but in other parts of the country, the dominant Christian culture can make it uncomfortable. A reader can identify or learn from the writer’s point of view.

We are open for one hour following the Sunday Service. Come in and look around.
Social Justice Priorities 2018-2019

“Social Justice is at the core of our faith. As Unitarian Universalists, we are called to make a positive difference in our wider communities. We work to serve, to raise awareness, and to support and partner with people who face injustice. We advocate, organize, and act for justice to live out the values of our faith.” These words from the UUA summarize the goals of the UUCSR Social Justice Committee.

On Wednesday, July 11, 2018, the Social Justice Committee gathered for its annual summer pot luck supper and planning retreat. Besides enjoying one another’s cooking and company, we spent focused time evaluating past events and activities and identifying priority areas for the coming congregational year.

Through an interactive process, the committee members chose these areas of focus: Criminal Justice Reform with special attention to our on-going work to pass the HALT Solitary Confinement Act and our participation in the Nassau County Jail Advocates (NCJA); Ending Gun Violence through collaboration with March for Our Lives, Sandy Hook Promise, New Yorkers Against Gun Violence, and other national and local groups addressing the issue of ending gun violence; Civic Engagement through participation in local voter registration drives and get out the vote efforts; and Migration by advocating for DACA recipients, families separated at the border, migrants seeking asylum, refugees here and abroad, and efforts to pass humane and just immigration reform. In all these efforts we will be alert to ways to address housing and income inequality, two areas important to the committee but receiving less support.

The Social Justice Committee also seeks to address other issue areas through its Mental Health and LGBTQI Subcommittees, and its Racial Justice and Climate Justice Task Forces. The committee is eager to have more interested members join our ranks. Our usual meeting schedule is: Social Justice Committee and LGBTQI Subcommittee, the 2nd Wednesday of the month at 7:30 PM in the Veatch House Conference Room; the Racial Justice Task Force on the 3rd Tuesday of the month from 4:00 PM to 6:00 PM in the Veatch House Conference Room; the Climate Justice Task Force, the 3rd Wednesday of the month at 7:00 PM in the Art Gallery. (Always check the UUCSR calendar in case of changes in scheduling.)

According to the UUCSR bylaws, the Social Justice Committee is afforded the right to take public positions on issues in its own name. The committee often signs on to letters and petitions supporting causes in line with UU principles and the issue areas of the committee.

Finally, the Social Justice Committee also provides opportunities for direct service through its program of cooking meals for the guests of the shelters operated by the Interfaith Nutrition Network; outreach to families in underserved communities through holiday toy collections and an annual school supplies drive; on-going collections of non-perishable food items for local food pantries and for the congregational pantry; on-going collections of gently used clothing for veterans and their families as well as for a congregational clothing closet; and donation drives to provide holiday turkeys and chickens for guests of the North Shore Soup Kitchen and the AIDS Center of Queens County.

We look forward to your support of and participation in our events and activities throughout the coming year!
**Wednesday, August 15, 2018**

**SJ Climate Justice Task Force Meeting**, 7:00 PM in the Art Gallery. Please join us as we plan activities for the fall to address climate change.

**Thursday, August 16, 2018**

**Dismantling Injustice: Solitary Confinement Cell Replica and Panel Discussion**, 6:00 – 8:00 PM, South Shore YMCA, 3939 Richmond Ave., Staten Island, NY 10312. Come see and spend time in a replica solitary confinement cell - the 23-24 hour/day home for thousands of New Yorkers. Hear the experiences of survivors of incarceration and solitary confinement. Learn how you can join the movement to #HALTsolitary, end torture in NY, and challenge the entire system of incarceration. Please join the #HALTsolitary campaign, the Coalition for Women Prisoners, and the Correctional Association of NY for this important event! To ride in the UUCSR van to the event leaving at 3:30 PM and returning after the panel, contact Social Justice Coordinator Claire Deroche at cderoche@uucsr.org or 516.472.2977 by Wednesday, August 15. We will leave from the lower parking lot where you may leave your cars. (We will have a key for the gate and will be able to retrieve our cars.) UUCSR participation sponsored by the Social Justice Committee. See the flyer on the UUCSR web calendar for full details.

**Thursday, August 23, 2018**

**Together to End Solitary Confinement**, 6:30 PM, Worship Room. Advocates for ending prolonged solitary confinement gather on the 23rd of every month, remembering those who are in segregated confinement 23 hours a day. On July 23, we will hold a vigil to call to mind those in solitary followed by a screening and discussion of the video, *Developing a Movement - End Mass Incarceration* with Jazz Hayden, Marc Lamont Hill, and Cornel West at Riverside Church. We will reflect on the intersections of race, mass incarceration, and solitary confinement. Visit the UUCSR.org calendar for flyer.

**OPPORTUNITIES FOR GIVING**

**Bed Linens Needed for the INN:** The Interfaith Nutrition Network-(INN) in Hempstead needs clean, gently used sheets, pillow cases, blankets, quilts, and duvets. This collection will be on-going until further notice. Please put your donations in the small, blue bin marked “INN Linens Donations” in the entrance to the coat room. Please put only the items listed in this bin. Thank you.

**The Social Justice Committee of UUCSR** sponsors several ways for members of the congregation to meet the needs of others for food and clothing. Please visit UUCSR.org for complete suggestions or see the flyer on the Main Lobby table.

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**Beloved Conversations**

A curriculum for exploring the role of race/ethnicity in individual and congregational lives

Racism is as old as history itself, and as such, needs intentional spaces to reverse its damaging impact. Commissioned by a congregation in need of resources to hold its members in covenant as they learned how race and ethnicity shape their spiritual and social lives, *Beloved Conversations: Meditations on Race and Ethnicity* is now serving more than 140 Unitarian Universalist, Jewish, and Quaker congregations across the United States. Using a small-group ministry format, the curriculum creates a supportive space for congregants to talk about their own experiences, while identifying places where growth is necessary. As an instrument of faith formation, it offers participants a chance to rediscover the sacred and important presence of compassion, grace, risk-taking, vulnerability, and the healing joy when cross-racial relationships are reconciled.

**Beloved Conversations is coming to the UUs of Long Island.**

The program begins with a Friday evening through Saturday retreat, followed by 8 small group sessions of 2 hours each, usually scheduled 2 weeks apart. This is a time commitment and the small groups are not for drop-ins. We hope for 3 small groups which could meet in congregations reasonably accessible re: travel time.

Rev. Linda Anderson, President of LIAC is organizing the program. Here is the latest information from her:

We have now scheduled the retreat for Friday evening November 30 and Saturday, December 1 until 5:00 PM. It will take place at the Huntington congregation. After that, small groups will meet every two or so weeks. We have not yet scheduled the groups. In order to do that please tell me:

1. That you are interested and can attend the retreat. (Attendance at the retreat is required.)
2. Days of the week and times when you ABSOLUTELY CANNOT attend a small-group meeting.
3. Whether or not you are interested in becoming a facilitator for the small-group meetings. Each group will have two facilitators, and they will be coached by our facilitator, Julica Hermann de la Fuente.
4. Your prompt reply will be much appreciated!

Looking forward,

LINDA ANDERSON
LIAC President,
Unitarian Universalist Community Minister Affiliated with the UU Fellowship at Stony Brook
Revl123@gmail.com • 845.706.7944
I offer a reminder amid these sultry, rainy and sunny days, that a welcoming community awaits you throughout the summer at the Unitarian Universalist Congregation at Shelter Rock. Our congregational 2018-19 year officially began July 1, and the grand annual festival known as Homecoming Sunday takes place around seven weeks from now, September 16.

I’m moved to mention two matters regarding membership:

First, it bears stating repeatedly how one becomes a member of this congregation. To do so, one is expected to take four orientation sessions, which acquaint people with the roots and values of Unitarian Universalism, and the program and governance of this particular congregation. If one then feels in accord with the basic values of our free faith, and inclined to become a member here, that is accomplished by signing the Membership Book in the presence of a minister, and an officer or Membership Committee Chair, and making a financial pledge and initial payment to the program budget of the congregation. A welcoming dinner and Sunday morning ceremony of welcome will follow, late in the fall.

The next orientation sessions take place on the four Sundays of October 7, 14, 21, and 28, 1-2:30 PM. It’s therefore possible to partake of lunch in the UU Café first. Child care, for those who need it, will be provided, by pre-arrangement with me, a week ahead of the session in question. There is a sign-up at the welcome desk, or contact me (BBortin@uucsr.org, 516.472.2934). Second, whether a member or not, I invite and urge anyone who attends the congregation to become involved in a program or committee which interests you, without obligation. Whether it be cooking for the INN, or participating with the Art Committee, or joining in with the Social Justice program here, or helping the Membership Committee with hospitality efforts, or any other areas of our rich program, your efforts would be greatly appreciated! Just be in touch with me to learn time and place of the activity, and the name of the Chair or program leader in question.

Meanwhile, savor the green-ness and the summer flowers, the mornings and the evenings, of the Sirius (dog star) summer season.
MEMBER EVENT

Green Sanctuary Committee
Jim Peters, Chair

The Arctic National Wildlife Habitat

In 1960 the Arctic National Wildlife Habitat was established. It consists of 19,286,722 acres in the Alaska North Slope region. It is the biggest and the wildest land publicly owned by the United States. It is home to 37 land mammals, 42 fish species, eight marine mammals, and more than 200 bird species. Some of the bird species are migratory and other residential. The range in size is amazing: from a tiny shrew (bumblebee size) to an 800-pound moose. It was set aside to protect extraordinary wildlife and to be uninfluenced by humans.

Up until now, there has been only minor scientific intrusion. But under the current administration, this is changing. What is being pushed is the need to open as many areas as possible to new fossil fuel drilling and pipelines. This will include our precious Arctic National Wildlife Habitat also known as the “crown jewel” of National Wildlife areas.

Drilling for oil will disrupt species and cause irrevocable environmental damage. In particular, the future of birds will be in dire straits. Whether they live or migrate there, this fragile 1.5 million-acre wilderness, a refuge, is now targeted for drilling. Here exists, “one of the most prolific bird nurseries on the planet.” (National Audubon). It is a vital migratory pathway. The Arctic tern, for example, travels between the Arctic breeding grounds and the Antarctic every year. That is the long-distance record for any bird travel. But we can also find Northern Pintails, American golden plovers, eagles, the nests of Tundra Swans and many other bird species using this wilderness as needed. This habitat is vital to their survival.

Other animals depend upon the Arctic habitat for their survival, too. At risk, because of land mass disappearance, the melting ice, oil carriers and drilling will be the other more familiar species: polar bears, caribou, musk oxen, and penguins. Include in that list, the harm that will be done to species in the water. Whales, lobsters, and other fish populations will suffer. On Long Island we already have heard about the death of whales and other big fish ending up on our beaches due to boat collisions. If we begin drilling, extraction and shipping, we will certainly join the record of problems that have resulted, such as the BP oil spill in the Gulf. So many turtles, birds and other creatures died. This is inevitable and the refuge will be gone.

Sadly, there has been no effort by the current administration to curb its environmental practices. Rather, they continue in the rush for profits. What we need is to change the direction: fossil fuels are killing the planet we live on and destroying our wilderness areas. We must push for our government’s investment in renewable energy. We should also send a clear message to Congress that we want to protect the Arctic National Wildlife Habitat from drilling. To do this, we should call, email, protest or sign petitions to our elected politicians. This is the entrance of man’s heavy footprint into one of the most prolific nurseries on the planet. Let’s try to save the Arctic National Wildlife Habitat and all its species from this destructive endeavor now.

Elaine Peters for the Green Sanctuary Committee

THANK YOU

Join fellow congregants for lunch at Rachel’s in Freeport
$29 all-inclusive, August 23 2018, 1:00 PM
Call Ben to reserve, 516.472.2934.

There is a waiting list for the Freeport Water Taxi expedition.

Dear Shelter Rock Congregants,

This photo is the INN boutique linen area after it was stocked with this week’s Shelter Rock donations. Everything on the shelves was donated in one week’s time by Shelter Rock congregants. Keep in mind this is the third week of this amazing generosity! Shelter Rock is the best! Thank you from the INN boutique volunteers.

Peter Koos
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Women Talk Daytime, 12:00 PM, Art Gallery
Members’ Bridge Group, 1:00 PM, Veatch Ballroom
Membership Committee Meeting, 7:30 PM, Art Gallery
Inisfada-Zen Sitting Meditation, 7:30 PM, Veatch Ballroom, Terrace

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 06, 2018
Yoga, 9:30 AM, Art Gallery
AA Meeting, 10:30 AM, Room 206, 207
Shelter Rock Forum Committee Monthly Meeting, 7:00 PM, Veatch Oval Room
Caring Committee Meeting, 7:30 PM, Office Conference Room

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 08, 2018
RE Volunteer Orientation, 8:00 AM, Multiple Spaces
Caring Hearts - Quilters, 10:00 AM, Room 204, 205
Yoga, 11:00 AM, Veatch Ballroom
James Beshers Memorial Service, 3:00 PM, Chapel

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 09, 2018
Women's Group Board Meetings, 8:45 AM, Veatch Conference Room
Worship Committee Meeting, 9:15 AM, Bride's Room
Music Rehearsal, 10:00 AM, Worship Room
Bagel Breakfast, 10:00 AM, Social Hall
Worship Service, 11:00 AM, Worship Room
UU Café, 12:00 PM, Social Hall
Love and Stitches, 12:30 PM, RE Room 15
Men's Group Meeting, 12:30 PM, Veatch Conference Room

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 11, 2018
Overeaters Anonymous, 10:30 AM, Veatch Ballroom
Art Committee Meeting, 4:00 PM, Office Conference Room
Nar-ANON Meeting, 6:30 PM, RE Room 19
Caring Committee Meeting, 6:30 PM, Office Conference Room
Publicity and Promotions Meeting, 7:00 PM, Bride's Room
Housing Board Meeting, 7:30 PM, Veatch Library

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 12, 2018
Reach Out America, 12:30 PM, Social Hall
Members' Bridge Group, 1:00 PM, Veatch Ballroom
Bookstore Committee Meeting, 4:00 PM, Bride's Room
NAMI Family Support Group, 7:00 PM, RE Room 15
Inisfada-Zen Sitting Meditation, 7:30 PM, Veatch Ballroom, Terrace
Social Justice Monthly Meeting, 7:30 PM, Art Gallery
RE Committee Meeting, 7:30 PM, Veatch Library
Food & Water Watch Monthly Meeting, 7:30 PM, Veatch Conference Room

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 13, 2018
Cornell Cooperative Extension, 9:00 AM, Social Hall
Homecoming Picnic Prep, 9:00 AM, Veatch Conference Room
Yoga, 9:30 AM, Art Gallery
AA Meeting, 10:30 AM, Room 206, 207
Green Sanctuary Monthly Meeting, 7:00 PM, Staff Luncheon
Investment Committee Meeting, 7:00 PM, Veatch Conference Room
SGM - Facilitators Training, 7:30 PM, Office Conference Room

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 14, 2018
Members Only Bridge Lessons & Game Play, 1:00 PM, Veatch Ballroom, Terrace
Herstory Workshop, 3:00 PM, Bride's Room, Ofc Conference Room
RE Volunteer Welcome Back Dinner, 6:30 PM, Veatch House

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 15, 2018
Veatch BOG Meeting (Meeting), 7:00 PM, Veatch Conference Room

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 16, 2018
Jazz Ensemble Rehearsal, 9:00 AM, Ensemble Rehearsal Room
Choir Rehearsal, 10:00 AM, Worship Room
Bagel Breakfast, 10:00 AM, Social Hall
Young People's Choir Rehearsal, 10:00 AM, Choir Rehearsal Room
RE Classes, 11:00 AM, RE Room 15
Worship Service, 11:00 AM, Worship Room
Homecoming Picnic, 12:30 PM, Entire Premises

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 18, 2018
Overeaters Anonymous, 10:30 AM, Veatch Ballroom
Nar-ANON Meeting, 6:30 PM, RE Room 19
Board of Trustees Meeting, 7:30 PM, Veatch Ballroom
Racial Justice Task Force Meeting, 7:30 PM, Office Conference Room

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 19, 2018
Women Talk Daytime, 12:00 PM, Social Hall
Members’ Bridge Group, 1:00 PM, Veatch Ballroom
Leukemia/Lymphoma Society Meeting, 6:00 PM, RE Room 16
Seventh Principle: Our Human Interdependence, 7:00 PM, Chapel
Climate Justice Taskforce, 7:00 PM, Art Gallery
Inisfada-Zen Sitting Meditation, 7:30 PM, Veatch Ballroom, Terrace

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 20, 2018
Safe Center LI -Team Retreat, 8:00 AM, Art Gallery
Cornell Cooperative Extension, 9:00 AM, Social Hall
Yoga, 9:30 AM, Veatch Ballroom
AA Meeting, 10:30 AM, Room 206, 207
Board of Trustees Meeting, 7:30 PM, Veatch Ballroom
The End of White Christian America Robert P. Jones, 7:30 PM, Worship Room
Choir Rehearsal, 7:30 PM, Choir Rehearsal Room

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 21, 2018
Members Only Bridge Lessons & Game Play, 1:00 PM, Veatch Ballroom, Terrace
Herstory Workshop, 3:00 PM, Bride's Room, Ofc Conference Room
Souful Sundown Supper, 6:30 PM, Social Hall
Souful Sundown Service, 7:30 PM, Social Hall
Souful Sundown Coffee House, 7:30 PM, Social Hall
Veatch BOG Policy Retreat, 8:30 AM, Veatch Conference Room

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 22, 2018
Saturday INN Cooking, 9:00 AM, Main Kitchen
Caring Hearts - Quilters, 10:00 AM, Room 204, 205
Expedition to Desperate Measures, 10:30 AM, NYC
Yoga, 11:00 AM, Art Gallery

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 23, 2018
Building & Grounds Meeting, 8:30 AM, Office Conference Room
Jazz Ensemble Rehearsal, 9:00 AM, Ensemble Rehearsal Room
Bagel Breakfast, 10:00 AM, Social Hall Choir Rehearsal, 10:00 AM, Worship Room
Young People's Choir Rehearsal, 10:00 AM, Choir Rehearsal Room
RE Classes, 11:00 AM, RE Room 15, 18
Women's Group Book Series, 7:30 PM, Art Gallery

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30th Anniversary
HOMECOMING PICNIC

Sunday, September 16, 2018
12:30 PM (after Worship Service)
Rain or Shine
$5/person

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THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 20, 2018
7:30 PM • Worship Room

$5 Suggested Donation
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