



# The Quest

UNITARIAN UNIVERSALIST CONGREGATION AT SHELTER ROCK



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September Theme: Expectation

## UPCOMING WORSHIP SERVICES SUNDAYS: 11:00 AM

*Sunday, September 22, 2019*

*Spilling the Light*

*The Rev. Jaye Brooks*

What transformation is possible in our own lives, and in the life of the world, through our ministry together? Unitarian Universalism offers a message of love and possibility. It begins with an assumption of the inherent worth of every human being. It continues with encouragement for each of us toward learning and growth. It imagines a world with justice, equity, and compassion. This message is a kind of light. And (in the words of UU minister and poet Theresa Soto), “The light must spill to shine.”

*Sunday, September 29, 2019*

*Expecting the Days of Awe*

*The Rev. Jennifer Brower*

In the Jewish tradition, Rosh Hashanah (which begins at sunset today) is the first of the ten Days of Awe culminating in Yom Kippur. The beginning of the new year marks a separation between what was and what will be. It is a pause in the march of days—a pause that holds the space for reflection on behavior, values, and aspirations. It’s an opportunity to renew our commitment to our highest values

### Transportation Assistance

UUCSR offers transportation assistance to Worship 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](mailto:krossiter@uucsr.org), or 516.472.2941 for an application.

## TOUCHSTONES

*The Rev. Dr. Natalie M. Fenimore*



What a wonderful Homecoming Sunday. It was good to see so many together again. We celebrated with worship, religious education, music, and picnic fun. This year marks the beginning of our developmental ministry—a time of possibilities. It may also be a time of anxiety, as we enter the unknown.

Many of us will be asked to consider how things have been done in the past, are done in the present, and how they might be done in the future. What do you expect to come from this period of reflection over the next three to five years? We cannot be sure at this moment of the outcome of our learning and discernment. However, we can make certain of how we go about this exploration of UUCSR’s purpose and possibilities—we can continue in covenant and compassion.

What might we NOT expect? We may experience critique but should not expect denigration.

We should expect gratitude and appreciation for all that you have done to build this community. All that you have done to bring joy and life and love and care has been a gift.

We should expect the development of a culture of “YES”—it might be “Yes” or “Yes, And” or “Yes, But.” This congregation has excellent resources of people, place, and finances with which to accomplish many, many good things both out in the world and within the congregation itself.

We should believe that our covenant with one another is strong enough to hold through the disagreements which may come as we explore possible new ways of doing things as a congregation—and new ways of being as a community.

In this time of expectation and collective meaning-making, may we come to see the many possibilities inherent in ever deeper engagement in this community.

## UPCOMING WORSHIP SERVICES

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October Theme: Belonging



Growing up LGBTQ+ can feel lonely. In the past, we, who identify as LGBTQ+, have had to hide—even in communities of faith and fellowship. Come, be part of the welcoming Shelter Rock congregation this Sunday and celebrate National Coming Out Day.



*Where music resides at the heart of the religious experience.*

Soulful Sundown is an informal, multigenerational Service of contemporary music and the spoken word. Hand clapping, singing along, and dancing are encouraged. Following the service is a free Coffee House featuring a guest musician. Childcare is available for young ones. Registration is not required.



Maya Angelou wrote, “The ache for home lives in all of us—the safe place where we can go as we are and not be questioned.” To be welcomed as we are, with all of our identities, failures as well as successes, with our dreams and our origins, is deep-seated in the human psyche. This need for belonging can be met only in a community that sees and embraces each person’s authentic self. At Shelter Rock, we seek to create a loving religious community that offers true belonging to each unique, remarkable soul.

## CONGREGATIONAL AFFAIRS

*Adam Barshak, Congregation Operations Administrator*



I want to welcome members to the 2019–2020 congregation year after the summer hiatus. As you may be aware, the congregation approved a significant capital improvement budget for the current year after two years of reduced spending. Some projects have been completed, while others are either in progress or in the planning stages for a fall launch. Below is a capital projects update:

### COMPLETED

- Work was completed on the Veatch House courtyard during the summer; the bluestone slates were replaced with concrete pavers and polymeric sand was placed between the courtyard blocks. The concrete pavers are not prone to chipping and lifting as the large bluestone slates were, and the polymeric sand forms a hardened surface between the courtyard blocks, providing an improved walking surface. It is expected that similar pavers will replace the remaining bluestone throughout the property as part of capital expenditures in future years.
- With the desire to reduce the use of plastic, reusable water bottles are becoming more common. To support their use, five new “bottler-filler” water fountains were added to the main building including one on the lower level, one outside of the Teachers Resource Center, and three in the RE wing.

### IN PROGRESS

- UUCSR Music Director Stephen Michael Smith has been receiving many questions regarding the status of the Worship Room organ. Please see his update on the following page.
- An architect has been engaged to help the congregation identify ways in which it can manage the property in an environmentally ethical way. Nelson & Pope is working with a joint group of members from the Buildings and Grounds and Green Sanctuary committees in this capacity. These groups will be engaging the congregation on this project over the next few months on an ethical, land-management statement and capital projects that can be considered over the next few years.
- The Member Resource Room is being redesigned to include a total of 7 computers and 7 telephones.
- To enhance communication throughout both the main building and Veatch House, the installation of a public address system is underway. The system is expected to be online in October.

### PLANNED

- There are several projects that will begin later this fall including:
- replacement of the main building’s lower level carpeting,
  - removal of the main lot, diseased pear trees and replacement with diverse plantings,
  - finalization of the Veatch House roof upgrade with work performed on the east-facing roof over the courtyard, and
  - an overhaul of the RE wing roof to stem an increasing amount of leaks that have occurred over the last few years.

I would like to thank Adrian Rivera, Director of Facilities, for shepherding these projects forward. Adrian and I will keep the members informed as these projects move forward.

### Postage-Paid Congregational Mailings Limited

Effective September 2019, all mail that was previously postage-paid will now be emailed and available in the MYUUCSR section of [uucsr.org](http://uucsr.org).

The congregation will no longer use postage-paid mailings for its promotional or governance communications. There will be no regular UUCSR hard-copy (printed) mailings.

If you are a UUCSR member and wish to continue to receive postage-paid mail, kindly contact me to request "opt-in" status ([jsappell@uucsr.org](mailto:jsappell@uucsr.org) or 516.472.2980). Thank you very much.

Jennifer Sappell  
Communications Manager

### Birthday Celebrations for Members and Children

Once each quarter, UUCSR recognizes birthdays of both members and children that occur during a three-month period. Names are listed on posters and fruit and cake is served in the Social Hall.

If you do NOT wish your name to be listed, please contact me. ([jsappell@uucsr.org](mailto:jsappell@uucsr.org) or 516.472.2980). Thank you.

Jennifer Sappell  
Communications Manager

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### UPDATE: What is Happening with Our Pipe Organ?

Described by some as a "toothless grin," many of you have noticed that something is happening to our Jaeckel mechanical-action pipe organ in the front of the Worship Room.

The sound that you hear when a pipe organ is played is created by wind rushing through (in some cases) cylindrical tubes or "pipes." The pipes which you see when you look at the front of the organ produce some of the lowest-sounding pitches in the instrument. These particular pipes are made from an alloy of lead and tin, with trace amounts of antimony and copper. The percentage of each metal in the alloy influences the characteristic sound of the resulting pipe.

The design of our neo-baroque instrument called for a particular type of sound and, therefore, a particular mix of metals was used at the time of its construction. Unfortunately, the alloy in some of the pipes was not rigid enough to withstand the test of time, and a good number of the pipes started to collapse. These pipes no longer "spoke," and they started to present a safety problem as they could have failed structurally to the point where they could fall out of the organ case and cause an injury.

An organ builder has been engaged to build new pipes with a stronger alloy mix to replace the failing pipes. We anticipate our organ will be fully operational and ready to make glorious music in time for our Messiah Sing on Sunday, December 8.

Submitted by Stephen Michael Smith  
Music Director

### Special Opportunity: NYS Van Driver Certification



Training is offered for members to learn to drive the 15-passenger congregational van on approved congregational outings. The course information is available in the MYUUCSR section of the [uucsr.org](http://uucsr.org) website. The training program includes National Safety Council approved training, an online defensive driving course (which can reduce your collision insurance costs), road test, and screening of driving record for traffic infractions. Adrian Rivera, Director of Facilities, will conduct the training. Please contact Adrian at [arivera@uucsr.org](mailto:arivera@uucsr.org) or 516.472.2931.

**BOARD OF TRUSTEES**  
*Mark Hartman, President of the Congregation*



**Membership Renewal, Part 2**

In the last edition of *The Quest*, I wrote about the work of the Financial Development Committee (FDC) to conduct the Annual Pledge Drive. I asked everyone to cooperate with FDC and for all members to renew their membership as quickly as possible, and certainly prior to December 31. I also suggested, although some have indicated that this bordered on heresy, that for the

time being and until you are given a good reason to pledge more, your focus should be simply on renewing your membership.

In this column I hope to provide some context for this. First, however, I am asking that you put aside the warning popularized by Mark Twain regarding statistics. Second, I want to thank Sue Kimler in the Finance Office who put together the chart below.

**Membership Information**  
**Congregational Years 2014–2020**

*as of 8/26/2019*

For CY14– CY20	# of members on 6/30 (prior to the fiscal year start)	# of members on 12/31 (of fiscal year)	# of members on 1/1 (of fiscal year) (reported to UUA)
CY2014	670	680	632
CY2015	682	709	665
CY2016	666	688	645
CY2017	667	673	596
CY2018	640	657	553
CY2019	627	629	560
CY2020	606	n/a	n/a

There is nothing terribly mysterious or surprising about the data arrayed in this chart. However, I have discovered that there are at least three different interpretations: Pessimistic, Optimistic, and Pragmatic.

The Pessimistic Interpretation reads each row individually starting on the left, and sees significant declines in membership each year.

The Optimistic Interpretation traverses the chart the way a Knight moves on a chessboard starting each move from the upper right and

moving one space down and two spaces to the left. The Optimist acknowledges the declines in membership but responds that they are attributable mostly to the fact that a significant number of memberships “lapse” overnight each year between December 31 and January 1. Fortunately, most, if not all, of these “lapsed” members appear to be reinstated by the following June.

The Pragmatists (and I count myself in this group) read each column from the top to bottom. They see a slow and steady decline in membership, whether one looks at each June 30, December 31, or January 1. I believe this decline is also reflected in other aspects of life at Shelter Rock. I see the issue of “lapsed” members, but I don’t think that is the real issue or an insoluble problem. There has got to be a way to address our collective inability to complete a membership renewal form, make a pledge, and make a payment towards that pledge commitment prior to December 31 each year.

Is it because we can’t find the time to complete the membership renewal form; perhaps we aren’t convinced that we should contribute to an organization that has the financial resources with which we have been blessed. Or is it just possible that we don’t know as a community what we should do or what we should expect from ourselves and our fellow members.

For over 40 years (far longer than I have been a member), we did not need member contributions in order to fulfill our needs and desires. The Veatch bequest, the royalty income from Germany, was sufficient to meet our needs and to build an endowment for the future. Time has modified that reality, and we should talk about how we need to change and how our responsibilities as members have changed as well.

That is one of the reasons we have a Developmental Minister with us.

Until next time,  
 Mark

Comments, questions, or concerns may be sent to [president@uucsr.org](mailto:president@uucsr.org).

**Annual Pledge Campaign**

Pledge forms may be downloaded at [MYUUCSR, under Member Resources](#).

Pledges may be made securely online. [Visit uucsr.org/myuucsr](http://uucsr.org/myuucsr).

**Fireside Chat**

Thursday, October 3, 2019  
 7:30 PM | Art Gallery  
 Presentation by the Stewardship Committee  
 on the UUCSR spending limit  
 brought to the Congregation by the President

## FINANCIAL DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

*Cathi Zillmann, Chair*



### About the 2019–2020 Pledge/Membership Campaign

#### The Great News, the Good News, and the OK News

The Great News: Homecoming Sunday was great! The weather, the ambiance, the food, the music, and the FDC Pledge/Membership kickoff were all wonderful.

Also excellent news: I have gotten word that 100 percent of the Board of Trustees, and 100 percent of the Veatch Board of Governors, and very nearly all of the chairs of committees have submitted their pledges within the last two weeks, thus getting this campaign off to a strong start.

The Good News: The Financial Development Committee (FDC), which runs the pledge drive, had a table set up where people who had not submitted their pledge yet could get pledge material. We started with two boxes of envelopes addressed to individual members or families and nearly half of those were picked up during the picnic. And, at last count, 20 had been completed and returned during the picnic. So, I think we're off to a very good start!



The OK News: About half of the envelopes are still awaiting pickup. That's OK. We'll have the table out next week, too.

So what happens next? All of you folks who have envelopes, please complete the pledge form and mail it back to the congregation. If you can, please enclose a first payment.

For the rest of you, I'll see you next week.

Before I sign off, thank you to Jana North and Lauren Furst for managing the FDC table. And, special thanks to the office Finance staff for preparation of all those envelopes.

And thank you all!

## DENOMINATIONAL AFFAIRS

*Robin Finnan-Jones, Chair*

Our annual Metro New York District Leadership Day is coming soon! Join UUA Central East Region (GER) staff and your neighboring congregations for an inspiring day of worship, workshops, and sharing, helping us all dismantle white supremacy culture and figure out our next faithful steps into a freer future. Great for lay leaders and staff. Join us!

**New Day Rising MNY 1019**  
**Saturday, October 26, 2019, 9:00–4:30 PM**  
**UU Congregation at Shelter Rock, Manhasset, NY**

### Dismantling White Supremacy Culture in Our Communities

This will be a day of learning, growing, and rising. Hear from your neighboring congregations what they're up to, what has worked and why, what hasn't worked, and what's been learned. Assess your congregation's next fruitful and faithful step, and talk about ways we can work together to move forward. There is something for everyone when a New Day Rises!

Costs: Sliding scale fee of \$20–\$30–\$40. Lunch is included. Child care is available at \$5 per child, but must be requested in advance. Registration fees are on a sliding scale, based on your assessment of your ability to pay. Those who pay at the highest level are making a donation to help those in financial need for this event. Please remember that for a sliding scale to work, we need the same number of people with means to generously pay more to balance the needs of those who can afford less.

The program includes:

#### Worship

#### Workshops:

- Why Do We Use the Words White Supremacy Anyway? –Rev. Jude Geiger
- There's an Elephant in the Room: How to Have Difficult Conversations at Church –Rev. Dr. Hope Johnson
- Leading Racial Justice Work as UU People of Color –Rev. Sunshine Wolfe
- Why Is It So Hard to Get Others in My Community Interested in Racial Justice Work: A Roadmap to Building a Culture of Inclusion –Paula Cole Jones
- Making the World a Better Place—And Taking Care of Yourself At the Same Time: Self Care for Experienced Anti Racism Activists –Rev. Dr. Linda Anderson

**Lunch** (included with the cost of registration).

**Dedicated Time for Identity-Based Caucusing:** A chance to gather in identity-based groups for conversation, reflection, and relationship building!

**Stories of Struggle and Success.** Hear from other congregations in a series of 7-minute TED-type talks about what worked for them and their people (and what didn't!), with opportunities to connect and ask questions!

Register Now! You can find full details at <https://www.uua.org/central-east/events/region/new-day-rising-mny-1019>

## LIFESPAN RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

The Rev. Dr. Natalie M. Fenimore  
Minister of Lifespan Religious Education (RE)



### Our Faith Neighbors and Ourselves

Unitarian Universalists honor the many spiritual paths of those in our communities and in our congregations. Below are some of the holidays and holy days being celebrated around and among us:

#### August 31–September 28

Al Hijra is the Muslim New Year. It commemorates the Prophet Muhammed's move from Mecca to Medina. It is a time to tell stories of the life of Muhammed and to give gifts.

#### September 23

Mabon/Autumn Equinox is a Wiccan harvest festival celebrated at the Autumn Equinox. Known as Harvest Home, it is a time to reap what you have sown and give thanks to the Earth for its sustaining bounty.

#### September 29–October 1

Rosh Hashanah is the Jewish New Year and High Holy Day. It is a time to reflect, remember, repent, and turn again toward righteousness.

#### September 30, 1770

“Universalism Day”—John Murray preaches his first Universalist sermon in America at Thomas Potter's Chapel in Good Luck, now Lacey Township, New Jersey. Potter's Farm is now at the UU Murray Grove Retreat and Renewal Center in Lanoka Harbor, NJ.

#### September 19, 1836

First Meeting of the Transcendentalist Club. The “club” included New England Unitarian intellectuals Ralph Waldo Emerson, Henry David Thoreau, Theodore Parker, and Margaret Fuller.

## MINISTRY PROGRAMS

### Meditation Thursdays • 6:00 PM Chapel

Third Thursdays monthly beginning October 17, 2019  
(second Thursday in February, 2020)

Facilitated by Paul Carbone, Lay Chaplain at UUCSR.

This is an opportunity to sample:

guided meditation, stories, music, sound, visual prompts.

Contact Kimberly Rossiter (516.472.2941, [krossiter@uucsr.org](mailto:krossiter@uucsr.org))

### Small Group Ministry

Marcello da Silva, Small Group Ministry Chair

At UUCSR, all are encouraged to pursue their spiritual journeys. Small groups are an excellent way to develop faith and relationships. Trained facilitators guide discussion on topics such as wonder, fear, faith, and more. All are welcome.

Registration for current and new participants will be available online and in the UUCSR Main Lobby.

## LIFESPAN RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Carson Jones, Lifespan Religious Education (RE) Coordinator



*I've learned you are never too small to make a difference. And if a few children can get headlines all over the world just by not going to school, then imagine what we could all do together if we really wanted to.*

—Greta Thunberg

In Children's Worship last year, we learned a great deal about youth activism. We reminded one another how each of us taking a small step adds up to a world of difference. Greta Thunberg, at the age of 15, took one such small step by going on strike from school to protest in support of climate justice outside of Swedish parliament. What started as a solitary action is now a global movement.

RE families and the UUCSR family-at-large are invited to go on strike from school and work and join us in Manhattan on Friday, September 20. UUs from all over will be gathering at 9:00 AM that morning at The Community Church of New York UU, 40 East 35th Street, for bagels and sign-making. At 10:00 AM, there will be a worship service at Community led by UUA President Rev. Susan Frederick-Gray before we head downtown to join the march in Foley Square in the court district. The march is scheduled to begin at 12:00 Noon, starting in Foley Square and ending in Battery Park, for the climate justice rally featuring 16-year-old, Greta Thunberg, who started the Fridays for Future school climate strike movement just over a year ago. (Please see Claire Deroche's September 4 *Quest* article for more on this inspiring youth activist.)

Everyone is welcome to join Rev. Jaye Brooks, Rev. Dr. Natalie Fenimore, Claire Deroche, Social Justice Coordinator, and Carson Jones, Lifespan Religious Education Coordinator, at Community Church, or find us at the march and rally. Any children attending need to bring their own adult supervision. Please see the back page of this *Quest* for details.

Greta Thunberg has declared, “We have not come here to beg the world leaders to care for our future. They have ignored us in the past and they will ignore us again. We have come here to let



them know that “Grownups have failed us,” said Greta Thunberg. change is coming whether they like it or not. The people will rise to the challenge. And since our leaders are behaving like children, we will have to take the responsibility they should have taken long ago.” A bold statement like this requires a bold response. We hope you will take to the streets with us and demonstrate our UU values in action!



## SOCIAL JUSTICE COMMITTEE

Claire Deroche, Social Justice Coordinator



### The Marathon, Not the Sprint

Seven years ago, when members of the Social Justice Committee started advocating for the passage of the New York State HALT Solitary Confinement Act, a key legislator told us: “Remember. Passing HALT is a marathon, not a sprint.” I have repeated those words often.

This past spring, we could really see the finish line. We had a majority in both legislative houses poised to vote in favor of the Act if only the leadership would bring the bill to their respective bodies for a vote. At the last minute, Gov. Andrew Cuomo met with the leadership, Senator Andrea Stewart Cousins and Assemblyman Carl Heastie, and convinced them that instead of holding a vote on HALT, they should agree to supporting very weak administrative changes. The finish line was moved once again!

The goal of the HALT Solitary Confinement Act is to end prolonged solitary by limiting time in isolation to no more than 15 days as stated in the UN Mandela Rules. HALT provides for separation when needed but not isolation. For those whose behavior poses a threat to themselves or others, placement in Rehabilitative Housing Units will afford them 7 hours of out of cell time and access to programming that will allow them to ultimately return to the general population.

What are the weaknesses of Governor Cuomo’s administrative changes? Torturous lengths of time in solitary; indefinite solitary to continue via keep-lock; people most vulnerable to the harm of solitary left behind; solitary by another name in purported alternatives; endless warehousing in the flawed alternative units; far too many people to be held in solitary under insufficiently limited criteria; people to be forced to choose between safety and torture; lack of transparency and oversight; lack of training and procedural protections; and similarly problematic conditions in local jails. (For an explanation of these weaknesses: <http://nycaic.org/resources/> and click on “Severe Limitations of Gov. Cuomo’s Proposed Solitary Confinement Regulations,” August 2019.) The 4,000 individuals now in solitary in NYS will have no immediate relief because the changes will not take effect for two years!

At our monthly Together to End Solitary service on Monday, September 23, at 6:30 PM in the Worship Room, we will share strategies developed at a recent retreat of HALT advocates. Please plan to join us.

It is clear to advocates for ending long term solitary confinement that we must pass HALT. On Wednesday, October 2, there will be rallies and demonstrations across the state in front of Gov. Cuomo’s local offices calling attention to the inadequacy of the administrative changes to solitary and demanding the passage of HALT. Please mark your calendar for Tuesday, October 2, at 11 AM, and plan to join us. Watch congregational media for further details.

## SOCIAL JUSTICE ANNOUNCEMENTS

For further information, please contact Social Justice Coordinator Claire Deroche: [cderoche@uucsr.org](mailto:cderoche@uucsr.org), 516.472.2977.

Friday, September 20, 2019



Join Unitarian Universalists for the Global Climate Strike.

This day is planned as a worldwide, coordinated response to global climate change. Special worship, gatherings, and a major rally in New York City are planned. You are invited! [Please see the back cover of this Quest for details.](#)

Monday, September 23, 2019



Together to End Solitary Confinement, 6:30–8:00 PM in the Worship Room. Advocates for ending prolonged solitary confinement gather every month, remembering those who are in segregated confinement 23 hours a day. After a vigil in the worship room to remember those in solitary, we will go to the art gallery for a report on recent developments regarding the HALT Solitary Act and the recent planning workshop of the Campaign for Alternatives to Isolated Confinement. Learn more at <https://bit.ly/2molhIF>

Wednesday, October 2, 2019

Rally at NYS Supreme Court Building, 100 Supreme Court Drive, Mineola, at 11 AM to protest lack of passage of the HALT Solitary Confinement Act. Save the date. Details to follow.

### OPPORTUNITIES FOR GIVING

**Food and Clothing Donations:** 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 see the flyer on the table in the Main Lobby for complete details.](#)



**THE ARTS AT SHELTER ROCK**  
*Stephen Michael Smith, Music Director*

**Dance Visions NY Returns To UUCSR On Sunday, October 6  
With Guest Artists, Willow (Interfaith Women's Choir)**

Dance Visions NY returns to Shelter Rock to present "Timeless Dances" in the ballroom and adjacent lawn of Veatch House on Sunday, October 6, at 1:30 PM.

Highlights include Isadora Duncan's Tribute to Greek Gods, created to Schubert's Symphony in C, and a chamber music rendition to Strauss's Roses from the South. Three new works by Dance Visions NY founder Beth Jucovy will be premiered: Earth Trilogy (includes Isadora Duncan Dances of Nature), Delicate Web (illustrates future effects of climate change on humanity), and Hymn (a prayer for the earth created to a Native American medley arranged for the dance by UUCSR's very own Willow Choral Director Farah Chandu and performed live by the chorus). Willow will also be performing "No Time" for this program. Jolted Reverie, is set to music of Beethoven and the music of percussionist Napoleon Revels Bey, who will be playing this performance. Tangos, created earlier this year, also will be featured. Tangos includes duets, featuring one man and four women, and an enticing finalé, created to the stunning music of Astor Piazzollo. Lastly, a Jucovy favorite, Landscapes, is set to classical Spanish guitar music and will round out the program.

This special performing arts event is free and open to all.

**A New Musical Season At Shelter Rock**

**Express your musical self and make music with us!**

The UUCSR Choir and the UUCSR Jazz Ensemble begin a new season of music-making at Shelter Rock. If you sing and want to join the choir, or play an instrument and are interested in the Jazz Ensemble, please contact:

UUCSR Choir: Stephen Michael Smith ([ssmith@uucsr.org](mailto:ssmith@uucsr.org))

UUCSR Jazz Ensemble: Dan Pratt ([danprattmusic@gmail.com](mailto:danprattmusic@gmail.com))

Or, simply show up at rehearsals. The UUCSR Choir rehearses Thursday evenings, 7:30-9:30 PM in the Choir Rehearsal Room. The UUCSR Jazz Ensemble rehearses Sunday mornings, 9:00-10:15 AM in the Ensemble Rehearsal Room. Both rehearsal spaces are on the lower level. Turn right when you exit the elevator or leave the stairs and continue straight to enter the music wing.

**Grab Your Ukulele And Join The New Ukulele Ensemble**

Several members have expressed interest in forming a Ukulele Ensemble at Shelter Rock. If this is of interest to you, let us know now and get in on the planning stages. Time, frequency of meetings, and location all to be determined. If interested, please contact Lea Titza ([ltitza@uucsr.org](mailto:ltitza@uucsr.org); 516.472.2975).

**Organ Repairs**

Please see page 3 of this *Quest* for an update on organ repairs.

**ART COMMITTEE**  
*Tinna Kopelow, Chair*

**Congregational Art Show**  
**August 18-September 24, 2019**

You can still enjoy a leisurely visit to the Art Gallery to view congregants' creativity on display. For photos of the Art Reception, please visit [UUCSR.org](http://UUCSR.org) and [Facebook.com/uucsr/](https://Facebook.com/uucsr/)

**Important Reminder:** Please pick up your displayed art:  
Wednesday, September 25, 10:00AM-12:00PM

**Upcoming Exhibit**



**Art Is For Everyone**

September 28-October 29, 2019

The Art Gallery welcomes the work of Mary Valentino Schneider with a Reception on Sunday, September 29, 2019, 1:00-3:00 PM.

**MEN'S GROUP**  
*Henry H. Smith, Chair*

All Unitarian Universalist Congregation  
at Shelter Rock Event

**Oktoberfest**

**Friday, September 20, 2019**  
**6:30 PM | Social Hall**

Oktoberfest banquet dinner, dessert, and selected specialty beers will be served.  
Live German music with Al Zimmermann - keyboard, accordion, and vocals

**PRICE IN ADVANCE**  
\$20 Members  
\$25 Non-Members

**PRICE AT THE DOOR**  
\$25 Members  
\$30 Non-Members

**RSVP BY SEPT. 18**  
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VEATCH PROGRAM AT SHELTER ROCK  
*Joan Minieri, Executive Director*

**Hurricane Dorian Reminds Us That Vulnerable Communities are Hardest Hit by Climate Change**

The devastation wrought by Hurricane Dorian is an important reminder that climate change-fueled natural disasters hit the most vulnerable populations the hardest. It's no accident that the Abaco Islands in the Bahamas, home to a large Haitian immigrant community, was most decimated by the storm. This is why we partner with so many Veatch grantees to wage environmental justice campaigns aimed at lessening the disproportionate impact of climate change on low-income and immigrant communities.



*APEN members take to the streets to fight for climate justice.*

Last year, the Asian Pacific Environmental Network, based in California, passed landmark legislation that includes one billion dollars in rooftop solar panels for low-income renters—the biggest program of its kind in the country. The SouthWest Organizing Project, based in New Mexico, continues to push the Air Force to clean up the jet fuel plume contaminating the drinking water for low-income neighborhoods in Albuquerque.

It can be overwhelming to figure out the best way to help in the acute moments following a disaster. For many Veatch grantees, serving their communities with disaster relief has become a “new normal.” South Florida has a rich community of Bahamian immigrants, and many grantees there, including Miami Workers Center, Florida Immigrant Coalition, and New Florida Majority, are collecting goods and funds to help. When we traveled to Florida this year with Trustees and Veatch Governors, we learned firsthand how New Florida Majority has taken on the work of helping vulnerable communities to be prepared to serve as hubs for climate-change fueled storms, even while they fight to prevent further environmental deterioration. If you are looking for a place to contribute to relief efforts, you can donate to the efforts of Veatch grantees in Florida.

It's important to act in the crucial period following a natural disaster like Dorian, but it's also important to recognize, as Veatch grantees do, that the proactive, hard work of justice year round is what offers real hope to lessen the impact on vulnerable communities.

*The Unitarian Universalist Veatch Program at Shelter Rock provides support for efforts within the religious and spiritual mission of the Unitarian Universalist Congregation at Shelter Rock where their purposes are best served by outside agencies acting under the Veatch Program and the Congregation.*

**A MESSAGE FROM THE MINISTERS**

If you are in need of pastoral care or you know of a fellow member who would benefit from care, please share that need with the Assistant to the Ministers, Kimberly Rossiter, at [krossiter@uucsr.org](mailto:krossiter@uucsr.org) or 516.472.2941. Our Ministry Team, Caring Committee and congregational chaplains will follow up. Thank you.

**MILESTONES**

*All are welcome...* to a Celebration of Life of UUCSR member Nino Luciano at the home of his son, Nino, Jr., on Saturday, October 5, 2019 at 4:00 PM. Expressions of sympathy may be sent to Nino's son, Nino Jr., his wife, Liz, and their adult children at:

*The Luciano Family*  
354 Carpenter Ave.  
Sea Cliff, NY 11579

*We send wishes for a smooth and steady healing to...* Bob Gayle, who is recovering from multiple injuries incurred in a motorcycle accident... and to Edwin Frank, who is at the Glengariff Rehabilitation Center... and to Sylvia Specht, who is healing from back surgery... and to Jim Ansel, who was recently hospitalized.

*We extend our care to...* Maxine Dangler, who is having hip replacement surgery this week.

*We celebrate with...* Carla and Paul Drezner, whose son Eric (a graduate of our Religious Education Program) was married to Kaia Galante on September 14, 2019. We extend our congratulations to Paul and Carla and offer our blessing on Eric and Kaia.

**MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE**  
*Meg Cohen, Membership Committee Chair*



**Interested in Unitarian Universalism or Membership at the UU Congregation at Shelter Rock?**

**Orientations to UUism and this Congregation are on the following Sundays:**

<b>Sunday, Oct. 20, 2019</b>	<b>1:00-2:30 PM</b>	<b>Veatch Ballroom</b>
<b>Sunday, Oct. 27, 2019</b>	<b>1:00-2:30 PM</b>	<b>Art Gallery</b>
<b>Sunday, Nov. 3, 2019</b>	<b>1:00-2:30 PM</b>	<b>Veatch Ballroom</b>

**These sessions qualify attendees for UUCSR membership.**

**Newcomers interested in membership are expected to enroll and attend all three sessions. A minimum of the first session and at least one of the remaining two sessions are required for membership. For more information, please contact Meg Cohen, Membership Committee Chair ([megco722@gmail.com](mailto:megco722@gmail.com) or 631.456.8761).**

**Please register at [uucsr.org/2019fall](http://uucsr.org/2019fall)  
Childcare is available when requested in advance.**

UUCSR Shelter Rock Forum and  
LI Alliance for Peaceful Alternatives Present

## Prospects for Peace: Ending Forever Wars

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 18, 2019

Guest Speaker  
**DANIEL A. SJURSEN**

7:30 PM  
All Are Welcome

\$5 Suggested Donation  
Worship Room

Lecture, Q&A and Refreshments  
RSVP: [uucsr.org/sjursen](http://uucsr.org/sjursen)

Questions? Please contact Sharyn Esposito  
516.472.2960 or [sesposito@uucsr.org](mailto:sesposito@uucsr.org)



**MAJOR DANNY SJURSEN** will talk about his experiences serving in Afghanistan and Iraq. He will discuss US wars in the 21<sup>st</sup> century and pose the question: Are veterans finally through with US forever wars? He will share his thoughts on the prospects for peace and how citizen mobilization will bring forever wars to an end.

Unitarian Universalist Congregation at Shelter Rock  
Shelter Rock Forum Presents

## Revealing White Supremacy: Why We Need a Radically New Conversation About Racism

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 15, 2019  
7:30 PM

RSVP: [uucsr.org/fleming](http://uucsr.org/fleming)  
\$5 Suggested Donation | Worship Room

Guest Speaker

### CRYSTAL M. FLEMING

Author of

**How to Be Less Stupid About Race:  
On Racism, White Supremacy, and the Racial Divide**  
(Beacon Press 2018)

Blank Slate Media & The Unitarian Universalist Congregation at Shelter Rock present

## ON THE RECORD COMMUNITY FORUM

SEPTEMBER 26, 2019 @ 7:30PM - 9PM

UNITARIAN UNIVERSALIST CONGREGATION AT SHELTER ROCK  
48 SHELTER ROCK ROAD IN MANHASSET

THE CHANGING DEMOGRAPHICS OF NASSAU COUNTY AND  
THE COMING CENSUS: **WHAT THEY MEAN FOR YOU**

WITH  
FEATURED  
PANELISTS:

Jack Schnirman  
Nassau County Comptroller

Dr. Jeffrey L. Reynolds  
President & Chief Executive Officer,  
Family and Children's Association of LI.

Michael P. Nagler, Ed.D.  
Superintendent, Mineola Public Schools

Kyle Strober  
Executive Director,  
Association for a Better Long Island

Hosted by **Blank Slate Media** and the  
**Unitarian Universalist Congregation at Shelter Rock**

Blank Slate Media publisher **Steven Blank** will pose topical questions,  
followed by an audience question-and-answer period.

Please register today to reserve your place.  
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### CRYSTAL MARIE FLEMING

Author, public intellectual, and expert on white supremacy and global racism. She is Associate Professor of Sociology at SUNY Stony Brook and an outspoken advocate for people of color, black women and girls, and the LGBTQIA community.

**ALL ARE WELCOME**

Questions? Please contact Sharyn Esposito  
516.472.2960 or [sesposito@uucsr.org](mailto:sesposito@uucsr.org)

## WOMEN'S GROUP

*Sandra Hazel Frank, Women's Group President*

### *Women Talk Daytime*

First and third Wednesdays • 12 noon • Art Gallery  
Bring your lunch for two hours of talking, listening and learning.  
Cookies and beverages are provided.

### *Women's Group Book Service*

Friday, September 20, 2019 • 3:30 PM • Veatch Ballroom  
Conversation about featured title, *Unsheltered*,  
by Barbara Kingsolver will be led by Martha Chimienti.

### *Annual Women's Group Fall Membership Dinner*

Friday, October 4 2019 • 7:00 PM • Social Hall

Entertainment by  
Wild Ginger • Mountain Maidens

- Women's Group 2019-2020 Members: NO CHARGE
- If you haven't renewed your WG Membership for 2019-2020, renew before or at the dinner for \$30
- Join for the first time—then there is no charge for the dinner.
- UUCSR Members who are Non-Women's Group Members: \$20 per person
- Non-UUCSR Members: \$25 per person

Childcare available if requested by September 23, 2019.

Register with Sharyn Esposito by Friday, September 27, 2019  
at 516.472.2960 or [sesposito@uucsr.org](mailto:sesposito@uucsr.org)  
For transportation assistance, please call Sharyn.

### *Women's Group Board Meeting*

Sunday, October 6, 2019 • 8:45 AM • Veatch Conference Room

All Women's Group members are invited.

### *Women's Group Holiday Sale*

Collections of items for sale will begin October 1, 2019.

Please deliver jewelry, trinkets, gift items, Christmas decorations, handmade items such as gloves, hats, and scarves to the box in front of Sharyn's desk in the office.  
(No clothing please. New boxed items are especially welcome.)

Contact Sharyn to assist: 516.472.2960, [sesposito@uucsr.org](mailto:sesposito@uucsr.org)

## GREEN SANCTUARY COMMITTEE

*Jim Peters, Chair*

*This article reflects our stewardship of the earth and our commitment to the Seventh Principle.*

### Recycling: Good or Bad?

Should we recycle everything? This is what environmentalists have proposed. But if we think about it, perhaps, recycling is like a two-edged sword. In other words, "Just because something is recyclable does not necessarily mean that it's healthier and has a small footprint," says David Allaway, a senior policy analyst for Oregon's Department of Environment Quality.



Okay! Let's look at disposable packaging. Instead of maximizing recycling, we should be optimizing it. In other words, the question is: Should we recycle it, rather than can we recycle it? Since we are in a huge upheaval of recycling in the United States, one of the world's biggest contributors of trash, we should be reimagining our approach to waste.

What the state of Oregon is doing is investigating recycling by not pursuing zero-waste aspirations as many of our greenest cities do. It looks at nonrecyclable materials that have a lower environmental impact than recyclable alternatives. One example is nonrecyclable packaging. It does less harm. An unrecyclable laminated pouch containing tuna rather than a steel tuna can is less offensive to the environment. Also, an Amazon mailing pouch, for example, requires fewer resources used than a highly recyclable cardboard box. In fact, it was discovered harm by recyclable packages outdoes the non-recyclable ones in areas like climate, water conservation, smog, acidification, toxicity, pollution and resource depletion.

The problem is focusing on recycling as garbage, rather than on the environmental impacts of what we are producing and trashing afterward. The difficulty is that corporations and industries don't want to change, so everyone is focused on garbage pickups. Therefore, it is seen as a consumer and government problem rather than a production and manufacturing one.

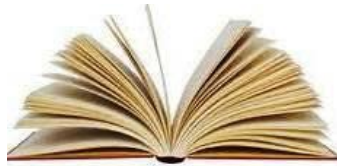
If we want to have beneficial recycling, we must alter our focus and change policies. These should reflect not only a ban on single-use plastics, but ones that favor low environmental impact choices. Protection of our environment should come first along with conserving our natural resources. Recycling everything is not. It is up to us to start questioning our policies and politicians. Then our habitual way of viewing everything as recyclable will be changed. Hopefully, we can begin at a local level and see improvement in our trashed filled environment.

Elaine Peters for the Green Sanctuary Committee

**GS FILM PRESENTATION: ARTIFISHAL**  
**Tuesday, October 1, 2019 • 7:30 PM**  
**Art Gallery • Free**

## BOOKSTORE COMMITTEE

*Irene Winkler, Chair*



### Meet the New Chair of the Bookstore Committee!

After what has seemed like a prolonged period of uncertainty, wondering if we would be able to continue our bookstore operation without a chairperson, the Bookstore Committee is pleased to announce that we now have a new chair, Irene Winkler.

In a description of herself, Irene states: "I was raised in Unitarian Universalism, having attended the Muttontown Fellowship as a young child. I am very grateful for the good start! Later with a young family, we came to join UUCSR in 2004 and my children appreciated the wonderful RE program here. I joined the choir in 2016 and have felt very lucky indeed to be a part of this most amazing choir. It has given me the strongest sense of community here at Shelter Rock that I ever felt in all my years at UU. I've been working in libraries for the past 20 years and have most recently become the Head of Adult Services and Reference at Uniondale Public Library. It is an extremely busy and interesting job for me, and I can only try my best to add the honor of being Chair of the UUCSR Bookstore Committee to my schedule. As chair, I hope to bring to the committee my appreciation for the role all the volunteers play in our unique and wonderful bookstore. We will try to let the congregation and all our visitors know about the delightful treasures to be found there, and to encourage more people to help us keep it running. It's not just a bookstore and gift shop but serves also as a place where visitors and new members feel comfortable asking questions and searching for more information about Unitarian Universalism, UUCSR, and other matters of justice, faith, and peace, to just name a few topics!"



We are grateful to have such a qualified and enthusiastic director to lead us. Nonetheless volunteers are still needed. If you can work as little as one Sunday a month, please contact Irene at [winknew@gmail.com](mailto:winknew@gmail.com) or Brigitte Mueller at [brimu@optonline.net](mailto:brimu@optonline.net) as the latter has offered to take charge of scheduling. Please visit us in the Bookstore to chat and browse. We are open one hour after Sunday Service.

Lois Wolfson for the Bookstore Committee



## HADLEY HOUSE

*Hadley House Residents' Association*

### Hadley House Alive!



New residents lead to new awareness and new possibilities! One of those newer residents, Dr. Neil (Doc) Tonnesen, an avid outdoorsman, has shown us how nice it is to have "BBQ Thursday" in our beautiful backyard. Doc nearly singlehandedly supervises the cooking and processes. Other folks pitch in by bringing their own food and assisting with chores and clean up. Last Thursday's outdoor get-together drew more than a third of the residents. A joyous time was had by all. More than one attendee was heard to say, "I've lived here for many years and never realized this garden was here for all of us to enjoy." Hadley House may now be even more alive with this new-found fresh air and sunshine event. Thank you Doc!

### Open House Coming Soon!

Members of the Congregation will have an opportunity to visit the garden on November 10, 2019, when Hadley House residents host an Open House. We are eager to celebrate and welcome the Congregation, now that the repairs are complete following last winter's damage. Tours will be offered, and refreshments and music will be provided. Those on the wait list won't want to miss this opportunity to get a full vision of Hadley House. Do come and share the afternoon with us. More information will follow.

HHRA Quest Committee

Nancy Jacobson  
Gerry Jalazo  
Nancy Keegan  
Lilyan Strassman

## PROGRAM ANNOUNCEMENTS

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### WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 18, 2019

LLS Myeloma Support Group Meeting, 6:00 PM, RE Room 16  
Stewardship Committee, 6:00 PM, Veatch Conference Room  
Climate Justice Task Force Meeting, 6:30 PM, Office Conference Room  
Grade 9 Our Whole Lives Parent Orientation, 7:00 PM, RE Rooms 15, 18, TRC  
Emergency Preparedness Meeting, 7:00 PM, Bride's Room  
Shelter Rock Forum-Prospects for Peace: Ending Forever Wars with Daniel A. Sjursen, 7:30 PM, Worship Room  
Inisfada-Zen Sitting Meditation, 7:30 PM, Veatch Ballroom, Terrace Room  
Cabaret XVII Rehearsal, 7:30 PM, Social Hall

### THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 19, 2019

Yoga, 9:30 AM, Art Gallery  
Small Group Ministry Covenant-AM Meeting, 10:00 AM, Bride's Room  
AA Meeting, 10:30 AM, Veatch Ballroom  
NAMI Family to Family Classes II, 6:30 PM, RE Room 15  
Stretch and Balance, 6:45 PM, Art Gallery  
Board of Trustees Meeting, 7:00 PM, Veatch Ballroom  
Green Sanctuary Monthly Meeting, 7:00 PM, Bride's Room  
Choir Rehearsal, 7:30 PM, Choir Rehearsal Rm

### FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 20, 2019

Global Climate Strike, see back cover of this *Quest* for details  
Literacy Nassau Bridge Tournament, 9:00 AM, Social Hall  
Members' Bridge Lessons & Game Play, 1:00 PM, Veatch Ballroom  
Women's Group Book Series, 3:30 PM, Art Gallery  
Men's Group Oktoberfest, 6:30 PM, Social Hall  
Soulful Songs & Stories, 7:00 PM, RE Room 19

### SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 21, 2019

Saturday I.N.N. Cooking, 9:00 AM, Main Kitchen  
Caring Hearts-Quilters, 10:00 AM, Rooms 204, 205  
Yoga, 11:00 AM, Art Gallery

### SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 22, 2019

Building and Grounds Meeting, 8:00 AM, Office Conference Room  
Jazz Ensemble Rehearsal, 9:00 AM, Ensemble Rehearsal Room  
Great Books-Modern American Poetry & Consuming Interests, 9:00 AM, RE Room 4  
Bagel Breakfast, 10:00 AM, Social Hall  
Young People's Choir Rehearsal, 10:00 AM, Choir Rehearsal Room  
Choir Rehearsal, 10:00 AM, Worship Room  
Senior Seminar Car Wash, 10:00 AM, Lower Parking Lot  
RE Classes, 11:00 AM, RE Wing  
Worship Service, 11:00 AM, Worship Room

Emergency Preparedness Table, 12:00 PM, Social Hall  
UU Café, 12:00 PM, Social Hall  
Play Rehearsal-Chekhov play, 12:30 PM, Veatch Terrace Room  
SGM Facilitators Training, 1:00 PM, RE Rm 15

### MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 23, 2019

Cabaret XVII Rehearsal, 2:00 PM, Social Hall  
Together to End Solitary Confinement, 6:30 PM, Worship Room, Art Gallery

### TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 24, 2019

Overeaters Anonymous, 10:30 AM, Veatch Ballroom  
Hadley House LLC BOM Meeting, 5:30 PM, Veatch Conference Room  
Worship Fire Safety Team Meeting, 5:30 PM, Office Conference Room  
Nar-ANON Meeting, 6:30 PM, RE Room 19  
NAMI Family to Family Classes I, 6:30 PM, RE Room 15  
REWILD Meeting, 7:00 PM, Art Gallery  
Kundalini Yoga, 7:00 PM, Social Hall  
Unitarians in South Africa, 7:00 PM, Veatch Ballroom  
Play Rehearsal-Chekhov play, 7:30 PM, Veatch Library  
Finance Committee Meeting, 7:30 PM, Bride's Room

### WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 25, 2019

Congregational Artwork Pickup, 10:00 AM, Art Gallery  
Erase Racism Board Retreat, 12:00 PM, Veatch Conference Room  
Members' Bridge Group, 1:00 PM, Veatch Ballroom  
Investment Committee Meeting, 7:00 PM, Art Gallery  
NAMI Family Support Group, 7:00 PM, RE Room 15  
Inisfada-Zen Sitting Meditation, 7:30 PM, Veatch Ballroom, Terrace Room  
Cabaret XVII Rehearsal, 7:30 PM, Social Hall

### THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 26, 2019

Yoga, 9:30 AM, Art Gallery  
AA Meeting, 10:30 AM, Veatch Ballroom  
NAMI Family to Family Classes II, 6:30 PM, RE Room 15  
Stretch and Balance, 6:45 PM, Social Hall on the record Community Forum The Changing Demographics of Nassau County and The Coming Census, 7:30 PM, Worship Room  
Choir Rehearsal, 7:30 PM, Choir Rehearsal Room

### FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 27, 2019

Members' Bridge Lessons & Game Play, 1:00 PM, Veatch Ballroom  
Junior Youth Con, 5:00 PM, Multiple Spaces  
Dramatic Readings, 6:00 PM, RE Room 15

### SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 28, 2019

Yoga, 11:00 AM, RE Room 15

### SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 29, 2019

Jazz Ensemble Rehearsal, 9:00 AM, Ensemble Rehearsal Room  
Great Books-Modern American Poetry & Consuming Interests, 9:00 AM, RE Room 4  
Bagel Breakfast, 10:00 AM, Social Hall  
Young People's Choir Rehearsal, 10:00 AM, Choir Rehearsal Room  
Choir Rehearsal, 10:00 AM, Worship Room  
Worship Service, 11:00 AM, Worship Room  
RE Classes, 11:00 AM, RE Wing  
UU Café, 12:00 PM, Social Hall  
Play Rehearsal-Chekhov play, 12:30 PM, Veatch Terrace Room  
Men's Group Meeting, 12:30 PM, Veatch Conference Room  
Music and Performing Arts Committee Meeting, 12:45 PM, Bride's Room  
Youth Retreat Parent Meeting, 12:45 PM, RE Rms 6, 10  
Mary Schneider Valentino Artist's Reception, 1:00 PM, Art Gallery  
Worship Assistant Training, 1:00 PM, Worship Room, RE Room 15

### MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 30, 2019

Cabaret XVII Rehearsal, 2:00 PM, Social Hall

### TUESDAY, OCTOBER 1, 2019

Overeaters Anonymous, 10:30 AM, Veatch Ballroom  
Bookstore Meeting, 6:00 PM, Veatch Library  
Nar-ANON Meeting, 6:30 PM, RE Room 19  
NAMI Family to Family Classes I, 6:30 PM, RE Room 15  
Kundalini Yoga, 7:00 PM, Social Hall  
Small Group Ministry Covenant-First Tuesday Meeting, 7:00 PM, Bride's Room  
Denominational Affairs Meeting, 7:30 PM, Office Conference Room  
Play Rehearsal-Chekhov play, 7:30 PM, Veatch Terrace Room  
Film: Artifishal, 7:30 PM, Art Gallery

### WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 2, 2019

Women Talk Daytime, 12:00 PM, Art Gallery  
Reach Out America, 12:30 PM, Social Hall  
Members' Bridge Group, 1:00 PM, Veatch Ballroom  
BOT Agenda Planning Meeting, 7:00 PM, Veatch Library  
SRI Committee Meeting, 7:00 PM, Veatch Conference Room  
Inisfada-Zen Sitting Meditation, 7:30 PM, Veatch Ballroom, Terrace Room  
Membership Committee Meeting, 7:30 PM, Art Gallery  
RE Committee Meeting, 7:30 PM, RE Room 4  
Cabaret XVII Rehearsal, 7:30 PM, Social Hall

### THURSDAY, OCTOBER 3, 2019

Yoga, 9:30 AM, Art Gallery

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SJC INN Cooking-Thursdays, 9:30 AM, Kitchen  
AA Meeting, 10:30 AM, Rooms 206, 207  
NAMI Family to Family Classes II, 6:30 PM, RE Room 15  
Stretch and Balance, 6:45 PM, Social Hall  
Personnel Committee Meeting, 7:00 PM, Veatch Library  
Fireplace Chat-Presentation by the Stewardship Committee on the Spending Limit, 7:30 PM, Art Gallery  
Choir Rehearsal, 7:30 PM, Choir Rehearsal Room

### FRIDAY, OCTOBER 4, 2019

Tai Chi/Qigong, 10:15 AM, Art Gallery  
Members' Bridge Lessons & Game Play, 1:00 PM, Veatch Ballroom  
WG Annual Fall Dinner, 7:00 PM, Social Hall

### SATURDAY, OCTOBER 5, 2019

Small Group Ministry Covenant-First Saturday AM Meeting, 9:30 AM, Bride's Room  
Caring Committee Meeting, 10:00 AM, Office Conference Room  
Caring Hearts-Quilters, 10:00 AM, Rooms 204, 205  
Rehearsal for Dance Visions NY, 10:00 AM, Veatch Ballroom and Meadow  
Yoga, 11:00 AM, Art Gallery  
Caring Chefs, 11:30 AM, Main Kitchen

### SUNDAY, OCTOBER 6, 2019

Women's Group Board Meeting, 8:45 AM, Veatch Conference Room  
Jazz Ensemble Rehearsal, 9:00 AM, Ensemble Rehearsal Room  
Great Books-Modern American Poetry & Consuming Interests, 9:00 AM, RE Room 4  
Bagel Breakfast, 10:00 AM, Social Hall  
Young People's Choir Rehearsal, 10:00 AM, Choir Rehearsal Room  
Choir Rehearsal, 10:00 AM, Worship Room  
Worship Service, 11:00 AM, Worship Room  
UU Café, 12:00 PM, Social Hall  
Play Rehearsal-Chekhov play, 12:30 PM, Veatch Terrace Room  
Domestic Violence: It's Not Just Physical, 1:00 PM, Art Gallery  
Dance at Shelter Rock- Dance Visions NY Recital, 1:30 PM, Meadow and Lawn

### MONDAY, OCTOBER 7, 2019

Cabaret XVII Rehearsal, 2:00 PM, Social Hall

### TUESDAY, OCTOBER 8, 2019

Overeaters Anonymous, 10:30 AM, Veatch Ballroom  
Disability Task Force Meeting, 2:00 PM, Bride's Room  
Art Committee Meeting, 4:00 PM, Office Conference Room  
Nar-ANON Meeting, 6:30 PM, RE Room 19  
Kundalini Yoga, 7:00 PM, Art Gallery  
Play Rehearsal-Chekhov play, 7:30 PM, Veatch Terrace Room

### WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 9, 2019

Members' Bridge Group, 1:00 PM, Veatch Ballroom  
Ukulele At Shelter Rock, 6:30 PM, Ensemble Rehearsal Room  
NAMI Family Support Group, 7:00 PM, RE Room 15  
Inisfada-Zen Sitting Meditation, 7:30 PM, Veatch Ballroom, Terrace Room  
Social Justice Monthly Meeting, 7:30 PM, Art Gallery  
Food & Water Watch Monthly Meeting, 7:30 PM, Veatch Conference Room  
Food & Water Watch Monthly Meeting, 7:30 PM, Veatch Kitchen  
Small Group Ministry Covenant-Second Wednesday PM Meeting, 7:30 PM, RE Room 19  
Cabaret XVII Rehearsal, 7:30 PM, Social Hall

### THURSDAY, OCTOBER 10, 2019

Yoga, 9:30 AM, Art Gallery  
Small Group Ministry Covenant-AM Meeting, 10:00 AM, Bride's Room  
AA Meeting, 10:30 AM, Rooms 206, 207  
NAMI Family to Family Classes II, 6:30 PM, RE Room 15  
Stretch and Balance, 6:45 PM, Social Hall  
Choir Rehearsal, 7:30 PM, Choir Rehearsal Rm

### FRIDAY, OCTOBER 11, 2019

Members' Bridge Lessons & Game Play, 1:00 PM, Veatch Ballroom  
Youth Retreat Departure, 5:30 PM, Main Lobby  
Soulful Sundown Dinner, 6:30 PM, Social Hall  
Soulful Sundown Worship, 7:30 PM, Social Hall  
Soulful Sundown Coffee House, 8:45 PM, Social Hall

### SATURDAY, OCTOBER 12, 2019

Caring Hearts-Quilters, 10:00 AM, Rooms 204, 205  
Ethical Eating PREP, 10:00 AM, Veatch Kitchen  
Yoga, 11:00 AM, Art Gallery

### SUNDAY, OCTOBER 13, 2019

Small Group Ministry Covenant-Second Sunday AM Meeting, 8:30 AM, Office Conference Room  
Jazz Ensemble Rehearsal, 9:00 AM, Ensemble Rehearsal Room  
Great Books-Modern American Poetry & Consuming Interests, 9:00 AM, RE Room 4  
Bagel Breakfast, 10:00 AM, Social Hall  
Young People's Choir Rehearsal, 10:00 AM, Choir Rehearsal Room  
Choir Rehearsal, 10:00 AM, Worship Room  
RE Classes, 11:00 AM, RE Wing  
Worship Service, 11:00 AM, Worship Room  
UU Café, 12:00 PM, Social Hall  
Ethical Eating Cooking, 12:15 PM, Veatch Kitchen  
Play Rehearsal-Chekhov play, 12:30 PM, Veatch Terrace Room

Love and Stitches, 12:30 PM, RE Room 15  
LGBTQ Meeting, 12:30 PM, RE Room 4  
Do You Believe?, 1:00 PM, Veatch Ballroom

### MONDAY, OCTOBER 14, 2019

Columbus Day Holiday, Buildings Closed

### TUESDAY, OCTOBER 15, 2019

Overeaters Anonymous, 10:30 AM, Veatch Ballroom  
NAMI Criminal Justice Committee Meeting, 3:00 PM, Volunteer Room  
Nar-ANON Meeting, 6:30 PM, RE Room 19  
NAMI Family to Family Classes I, 6:30 PM, RE Room 15  
Small Group Ministry-Third Tuesday Meeting, 7:00 PM, Bride's Room  
Board of Trustees Meeting, 7:00 PM, Veatch Ballroom  
Soulful Salutations, 7:00 PM, Social Hall  
NAMI-Parents of Young Children Support Group, 7:00 PM, RE Room 16  
Kundalini Yoga, 7:00 PM, RE Room 6  
Revealing White Supremacy: Why We Need A Radically New Conversation About Racism, 7:30 PM, Worship Room  
Play Rehearsal-Chekhov play, 7:30 PM, Veatch Terrace Room

### WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 16, 2019

Medical Qigong for Senior Health, 11:00 AM, Hadley House Community Room  
Women Talk Daytime, 12:00 PM, Art Gallery  
Members' Bridge Group, 1:00 PM, Veatch Ballroom  
LLS Myeloma Support Group Meeting, 6:00 PM, RE Room 16  
Climate Justice Task Force Meeting, 7:00 PM, Office Conference Room  
Inisfada-Zen Sitting Meditation, 7:30 PM, Veatch Ballroom, Terrace Room  
Cabaret XVII Rehearsal, 7:30 PM, Social Hall

### THURSDAY, OCTOBER 17, 2019

Yoga, 9:30 AM, Art Gallery  
AA Meeting, 10:30 AM, Rooms 206, 207  
League of Women Voters Candidate Night, 6:00 PM, Social Hall  
Meditation Thursdays, 6:00 PM, Chapel  
NAMI COD (Co-occurring Disorders) Support Group, 6:30 PM, RE Room 17  
NAMI Family to Family Classes II, 6:30 PM, RE Room 15  
Stretch and Balance, 6:45 PM, Art Gallery  
Board of Trustees Meeting, 7:00 PM, Veatch Ballroom  
Green Sanctuary Monthly Meeting, 7:00 PM, Bride's Room  
Choir Rehearsal, 7:30 PM, Choir Rehearsal Rm  
Shelter Rock Forum Committee Monthly Meeting, 7:30 PM, Veatch Conference Room

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September 18, 2019

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**THE UUCSR MINISTRY TEAM  
INVITES YOU TO JOIN THEM**



**PLEASE NOTE NEW TIMES:**

**9:00 AM • Bagels and Banner Making**

The Community Church of New York UU

40 East 35th Street

**10:00 AM • Worship Service**

Community Church

led by UUA President, Rev. Susan Fredrick-Gray

**11:30 AM • Walk to Foley Square**

**12:00 Noon • March to the Rally at Battery Park**

**Featured Speaker:**

**16-year-old Greta Thunberg who started the Fridays for Future school climate strike movement just over a year ago**

Everyone is welcome to join The Rev. Jaye Brooks, The Rev. Dr. Natalie Fenimore, Claire Deroche, Social Justice Coordinator, and Carson Jones, Lifespan Religious Education Coordinator, at Community Church, or find us at the March and Rally by looking for the yellow, “Side with Love” banners. Please wear your “Side with Love” t-shirts or other yellow/brightly-colored clothing.

Children attending need to bring their own adult supervision. We hope you will take this extraordinary opportunity to demonstrate our UU values in action!