



The Quest

UNITARIAN UNIVERSALIST CONGREGATION AT SHELTER ROCK

We aspire to be a loving religious community where we can grow spiritually and build a more just and joyful world.

—UUCSR Vision Statement

Spirituality, Community, and Being of Service

—from the UUCSR Strategic Plan



June 5, 2026

**Monthly Theme:
FLOURISHING
TOGETHER**

WORSHIP SERVICES

SUNDAY, JUNE 7, 2026, 11:00 AM

Rev. Meagan Henry

Still the Flowers Bloom This Sunday, we gather for our Flower Ceremony, one of the most beloved rituals in our Unitarian Universalist tradition. First offered by Unitarian Minister, Rev. Norbert Capek in 1923, it celebrates a simple and radical truth: that each of us is a unique and irreplaceable beauty, and that we are lovelier together than apart. Together, we will consider how beauty endures even through tender seasons, and how, still, the flowers bloom.

Please bring a flower to add to our shared bouquet, any flower of any color or kind. We will gather them all into baskets, and each of us will carry home a bloom that was brought by another.



This service features a multigenerational beginning. We are delighted that the children and youth will join us for this special ceremony. During the Service, we will also recognize two student recipients of the Edward R. Miller Memorial Scholarship, who will share their gifts in music with us.

Following worship, all are invited to remain for lunch, followed by the congregation's Annual Meeting.

FRIDAY, JUNE 12, 2026, 7:30 PM

Rev. David Carl Olson

Soulful Sundown Soulful Sundown features an evening of poetry and reflection, led by Rev. David Carl Olson with live music from Alphonso Horne and Friends, ONSITE and ONLINE. Guest artists **Alphonso Horne and Friends** join for an ONSITE-ONLY coffee house/concert afterward. All are welcome. Never a charge! Where music resides at the heart of religious experience

At 6:30 PM, all are welcome to a simple supper prior to Soulful Sundown. A voluntary donation of \$5 covers soup, salad, artisanal bread, cookies, and beverages. Food service ends 7:15 PM.

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TOUCHSTONES

Bryan Bower, Student Minister



Growing up, I always heard that “God doesn’t close a door without opening a window,” which I always wondered about. Is that actually helpful? Who uses a window instead of a door?

But I do understand the idea behind it; just as things are coming to a close, other things are only just beginning. And it has been so strange for me to experience so much loss in our community lately, while also

celebrating the arrival of my first child, Cameron River Kohut (they/them until they tell us otherwise), on May 19. I’ll include a picture or two at the end!

It is also strange to be completing my internship at Shelter Rock, while also preparing to return for a second year! This is a hard time for our community, but I am very excited to be one of the pieces of “normalcy” in a time of change.

And I am also excited about my plans for next year, and especially about my project with the Care Team, which I am calling “Natalie’s Hands.”

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SUNDAY, JUNE 14, 2026, 11:00 AM
 Rev. Meagan Henry, Carson Jones, Jamie Walowitz

Bridging Ceremony: Grateful For It All Today, we celebrate the milestones of our young people. Our fifth and sixth-grade Questing Year class emerges as agents of social change, revealing the recipients of their year-long fundraising, and our high school seniors reflect on their faith formation at UUCSR as they bridge into young adulthood, carrying their Unitarian Universalist Values into the world.

Bridging is a beloved ritual across Unitarian Universalist congregations, a sacred tradition of blessing and belonging, of affirming faith and committing to one another in covenantal community, and of gratitude for like-hearted people of all ages journeying together toward a just and joyful world. The Service features spirited music from the Young Peoples' Choir and the UUCSR Jazz Ensemble, a few surprises, and recognition of our longtime RE teaching volunteers.

Today also brings the long-awaited return of PASS THE PLATE. During the offertory, the Questing Year class will be in the aisles collecting donations for their Secret Social Action Project, so please bring cash or checks. Online giving will be available as well.

Following worship, all are invited to the fabulous and free RE Bridging End-of-Year Picnic, courtesy of the Religious Education Committee.

LGBTQ+ SUB-COMMITTEE OF SOCIAL JUSTICE COMMITTEE

Charlene Greenberg, Chair

Dear LGBTQ+ Friends, we welcome you to join us at any of our meetings on Tuesday nights via Zoom. Check in at 6:30 PM; gather for facilitated conversation at 7:00 PM.

Join Zoom Meeting [HERE](#)
 Meeting ID: 883 3817 4041, Passcode: 557032

DATE	LED BY	TOPIC
6/2/2026	Tamer Shelby	The Offensive Joke: Someone at a social gathering tells a joke that is clearly racial, homophobic, or otherwise offensive. Some people laugh and find it funny, but you know it's in very poor taste and distasteful. What do you do?
6/9/2026	Open Chat	

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If you are interested, please join us on Saturday, June 20, from 2:30–4:30 PM, in the Veatch Ballroom for the initial class, and see which hand you belong in!

Now, as promised, here are pictures of the little angel stealing my sleep:



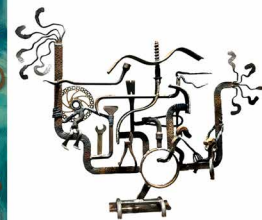
ART COMMITTEE

Paul Kopelow, Chair

Debra Hill



John Bell



Andrea Fortunoff



Pulse, Flow and Form, A Multimedia Exhibition by: Debra Hill, John Bell, and Andrea Fortunoff

Exhibit on display: Saturday, May 30–Monday, July 6
UUCSR Art Gallery
 All are welcome!

BAGELS & BELIEFS

Sundays | 9:00–10:30 AM | Social Hall

Every Sunday, you can stop by the Social Hall for a bagel breakfast for just \$1! Proceeds go to benefit The Questing Year RE class Secret Social Action Project! Coffee and tea are FREE. While enjoying your bagel, we invite you to consider the question of the month and add your response to the interactive conversation board. We look forward to connecting with you!

MILESTONES

Captain Hugh Stephens—Memorial/Celebration of Life is scheduled for **Saturday, June 6**, at 12 noon at UUCSR in the Worship Room. The service will be followed by a reception. Hugh died on April 26, 2026, at the age of 102, peacefully surrounded by his family.

Ross Ivan-Hicks Barnes, Jr., Giancarlo Lopez partner—Memorial/Celebration of Life is scheduled for **Saturday, June 13**, at 10:30 AM in the Worship Room followed by a reception in the Art Gallery. Ross died suddenly on Thursday, May 7, at the age of 32 from a rare heart condition. He is survived by his partner, Giancarlo, and his family, including his two brothers, Joshua and Sean. Ross was a chef and “pâtissier” who was French trained. He also earned a degree in architecture. Condolences can be sent to:

Giancarlo Lopez
61-15 171st Street, Apt. 1
Fresh Meadows, NY 11365

Dr. Daniel Alexander, Carole Alexander’s son—Memorial/Celebration of Life is scheduled for **Saturday, July 11**, at 3:00 PM in the Worship Room. The service will be followed by a reception at 4:00 PM at Manhasset Bay Yacht Club, 455 Main Street, Port Washington. Dan died Sunday, January 25, at the age of 55 in Dothan, Alabama. He is survived by his mom, Carole, dad, Walter, sister, Jen, and his wife, Dr. Andrea Alexander, and their five children, Nico, Hayes, Ellie, Drew, and Katie. In lieu of flowers, the family asks that contributions be made in his name to: NAMI Queens/Nassau, (National Alliance on Mental Illness) at namiqn.org.

We share the sad news...long time UUCSR member and Hadley House resident Claire Brady died on Tuesday, May 26, at Saint Frances Hospital, surrounded by her family. She was 86 years old. She had been struggling with multiple health challenges this past year, however her death was sudden and unexpected. She is survived by her daughter, Denise Anchico, her son, William F. Brady, her three sisters including UUCSR member, Antonia (Toni) Bracchi, two grandchildren, and numerous nieces and nephews. A funeral mass has been scheduled at Our Lady of Fatima Church, 6 Cottonwood Road, Port Washington, NY 11050, on Monday, June 22, at 11:00 AM. Condolences can be sent to:

Denise Anchico
105 Millie Court
Patchogue, NY 11772

SUNDAY CAFÉ

Social Hall | Following Sunday Morning Worship Service

ADULTS \$10:

New menu each week, includes tossed salad and dessert
Vegetarian and vegan options are always available

CHILDREN ONLY \$5 kids’ meal:

chicken fingers, mac and cheese, fruit platter

All meals include lemonade, unsweetened iced tea, dessert

MESSAGE FROM REV. JENNIFER L. BROWER Shelter Rock Minister Emerita

Celebration of Life Remarks for Rev. Dr. Natalie M. Fenimore



As Minister Emerita, and the surviving member of the ministry team that Natalie first served on at Shelter Rock, it is appropriate that during the Memorial Service remarks harkening back to her call and installation be offered. Here is my message, and a warm photograph.

As Minister for Pastoral Care, I had the privilege of delivering the Prayer of Installation for both the Rev. Dr. Paul Johnson and the Rev. Dr. Natalie Fenimore.

Natalie’s Installation in 2013 was as it ought to have been—a joyful, forward-looking, expectant, music-filled, celebratory occasion for us all. My prayer expressed the hopes that Natalie’s ministry would be enduring, that it would touch the congregation in a profound and powerful way—that her unique ministry would leave a meaningful legacy—and that this ministry would be a source of great pride and deep gratification for her.

The years passed quickly and were too few, but many of those prayerful hopes were actualized. Without question, the Rev. Dr. Fenimore’s ministry has had a transformative and lasting effect on the life of the Unitarian Universalist Congregation at Shelter Rock. Natalie is woven into the fabric and future of the congregation, and into the lives of congregants and colleagues. I hold out hope that she felt enriched by and proud of her years of faithful service.

Now, in the sanctuary where we enthusiastically welcomed Natalie to Shelter Rock, we offer prayers for Natalie’s family members—those who knew her best and loved her most and who generously shared their beloved wife, mother, mother-in-law, grandmother and more, with this congregation, with Unitarian Universalism and the world. In this, their time of deep grief, may they find abiding comfort in one another, and in the community of all who mourn with them. May Natalie’s memory be a blessing.

DENOMINATIONAL AFFAIRS COMMITTEE (DAC)

Richard Bock, Chair

Virtual GA Community Gathering—June 20

The Denominational Affairs Committee of the Unitarian Universalist Congregation at Shelter Rock is inviting fellow UUs who are registered for the 2026 virtual General Assembly to join us on Saturday, June 20, for a day of community gathering while we attend General Assembly together. This day will allow us to share the same inspiring content of Meet the Moment as other GA Participants. This will enable us to share and discuss what we are doing or hope to do as we face the challenges to our religious values. Getting together with fellow UUs has not been what it used to be before COVID. This will give us an opportunity to learn from one another and expand our web of connectiveness.

We will gather and greet each other at 10:30 AM, and the GA program will start at 11:00 AM. We will have coffee/tea and other beverages available, as well as snacks to get us through the day. Lunch will be provided between 12:30 and 2:00 PM when the program restarts with breakout groups until 5:00 PM. After a break, a wrap-up session will be held between 5:30 and 6:00 PM, when we will also end our time together.

Please be sure to register so that we are sure to have enough food for everyone. Register at uucsr.org/GA26.

In the Worship Room at 7:00 PM, there will be Chamber Music at Shelter Rock: Nathaniel and Friends. These professional musicians are phenomenal! If you have the time to join us, there is a \$10 charge per person.

GA this evening is special as the Ware Lecture will be given between 8:00 and 9:00 PM. Bishop Mariann Edgar Budde is our 2026 Ware Lecturer. She is known as a voice for Courage, Justice, and Faith. The program will be live-streamed and will be available on-demand video at a later time. More information about Bishop Budde is available at uua.org.

Submitted by Rich Schwartz, DAC member

RESPECTFUL RELATIONSHIPS TEAM (RRT)

Paul Carbone, Chair

A Closer Look at Our Congregational Covenant. Some Thoughts to Consider:

Ours is a covenantal religion. Our covenant is how we agree to live together in community. As in every relationship, conflict will sometimes arise. When we find ourselves at odds—whether in congregational decisions or personal interactions—our covenant offers guidance.

We acknowledge that, while “we may not always agree with congregational decisions, we will honor the decision-making process and respect the outcomes.”

In our relationships with one another, we strive to “assume good intentions in all interactions.” Assuming good intentions means giving each other the benefit of the doubt and “expressing thoughts and feelings directly” to the person involved.

At times, that can be difficult. If conflict cannot be resolved through direct communication, the next step is to seek assistance from a minister and/or the Respectful Relationships Team. Our covenant also reminds us that if someone chooses not to participate in dispute resolution, they agree to let the matter go rather than involve others.

When disagreements are discussed with people who are only peripherally involved—or not involved at all—situations can easily grow beyond the original issue and may no longer reflect the people or concerns at the heart of the conflict.

We are human, and we all do our best. Our covenant is “aspirational, and in affirmation of the common purpose that unites us.” Together, “we will support and do our best to abide by this Covenant.”

Given everything happening in the world around us, let us make UUCSR an example of mutual respect, compassionate and direct communication, and deep listening for the meaning and intent behind one another’s words. Let us assume good intentions.

That would feel like a little bit of heaven on earth.

Thanks for listening,
Reverend Paul Carbone (Interfaith Minister)
Respectful Relationships Team
[Link to UUCSR Congregational Covenant](#)

Please remember to check the Lost and Found bin located under the welcome desk in the Main Lobby.

Community Food Pantry/Clothing Rack

- Located in the hallway outside of the Main Kitchen
- Access through the sliding doors on the side of the building
- Paper bags are available on the Food Pantry bottom shelf
- Clothing may be tried on in the bathrooms
- Donations of food may be placed in cart in Main Lobby and are appreciated

Everyone is welcome to participate.

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BUILDING USE LEADERSHIP TEAM (BULT)

Claudia Barbey

Building Use Leadership Team (BULT) Update

In 2024, the Board of Trustees formed a Building Use Leadership Team (BULT) to recommend how the Congregation could maximize underutilized buildings space and grounds for non-congregational activities.

Since then, the BULT has been engaged in ongoing conversations about the future use of both the Veatch House and our broader campus to not only consider our current needs, but also future opportunities for hospitality, spiritual growth, education, and community engagement.

Veatch House

The team has been exploring how the Veatch House might be adapted to become a more active and welcoming center for learning, reflection, creativity, and connection allowing for overnight guests and group gatherings while preserving the historic beauty and architectural character that make the building so special. A theological center, retreat programming, and even an artist-in-residence program have been considered, as well as student minister and sexton lodging to make the congregation more attractive as an intern site and allow for greater building hours and management of the guest space, respectively. Working with an engineering firm, draft plans have been developed for the redesign of the historical lodging floors of the building.

Main Building

The BULT has also been exploring ways to better utilize the main building and campus spaces more broadly. Conversations have included potential partnerships with local organizations, multigenerational programming opportunities, and alternative uses for classrooms such as tutoring, enrichment programs, art and music instruction, gardening initiatives, and 4-H-style after-school activities.

The kitchen has also been discussed as a possible incubator space for small food vendors and entrepreneurs, including minority-owned businesses and those who may not otherwise have access to commercial kitchen facilities.

Congregational Feedback

These conversations remain exploratory, and no final decisions have been made. Ultimately, any future direction will be shaped through continued congregational conversation and discernment as we collectively consider how best to steward these spaces for the future.

To continue the conversation and gather feedback, the BULT plans to host two town hall meetings: an [in-person session on Sunday, June 28](#), following the Service, and an [online session via Zoom on Tuesday, June 30](#). Congregants are encouraged to attend, ask questions, and share their thoughts as these ideas continue to develop.

SOCIAL JUSTICE COMMITTEE

Sonia Arora, Social Justice Coordinator

The Mental Health Subcommittee has been doing excellent advocacy work for the past few years getting a crisis stabilization center in Nassau County. This is a way for community members to receive support in a place where there are trained counselors, nurses, and EMTs who can provide relief when there is a mental health crisis or substance use disorder.

There is now a COMMUNITY CRISIS CENTER in Hicksville. Here is the website: <https://centralnassau.org/programs/community-crisis-center/>

ALSO: The Mental Health Subcommittee has been pushing the state to support Daniel's Law, which prevents police from intervening in non-violent mental health crises so that peers and clinicians are able to deescalate someone who may be triggered. In addition to the pilot program that will be funded in Suffolk, it was just learned that the state is setting aside another \$8 million for additional funding for pilot programs.



Mental Health Subcommittee members Maria Ceraulo, Sandra Frank, and Katherine Miller and Social Justice Coordinator Sonia Arora attended a tour of the Community Crisis Center. They have been working in collaboration with Long Island United to Transform Policing and Community Safety. Representatives from that group were also present: Emily Kaufman, Cinday Paterno, and Florence Roffman.



cn guidance counseling
950 S. OYSTER BAY RD.
HICKSVILLE, NY 11801

Our Community Crisis Center
brings innovative crisis stabilization support to Long Island, including:

- Mental Health and Substance Use services for adults, teens, or children experiencing a crisis, and their families
- 24/7/365 support for walk-ins, referrals, and anyone voluntarily brought to the center by family, friends, police, or a mobile crisis unit
- Emergency observation, evaluation, care, and treatment in a safe and comfortable environment
- 24-hour nursing staff onsite to provide a safe alternative to hospital emergency departments
- Peer staff onsite to provide person-centered care for individuals experiencing behavioral or substance use concerns

Thank you to our many partner organizations & supporters for making the CCC a reality!

☎ 516-390-6544
Just need to talk? Call or text 988 Crisis Lifeline
Notes:

LAND MANAGEMENT LEADERSHIP TEAM

Dana Gumb, Member, Land Management Leadership Team

Wildflower Meadow Update

Work on the wildflower meadow at the western end of the Great Lawn is proceeding. Just before Memorial Day, staff from the NYC Department of Parks and Recreation came to UUCSR to remove much of the grass at the site of the meadow. That City Department transported the turf sod to Washington Market Park in Lower Manhattan, where it was used to create a lawn. The donation of turf beautifies that City Park and helps prepare our site for the wildflower meadow. A win/win for all!

UUCSR's contractor is scheduled to complete site preparation for the meadow during the week after Memorial Day. Then, during the week of June 8, the contractor is expecting to create the meadow by installing wildflower sod, a product like turf sod but composed of wildflower plants instead of grass.



Staff from NYC Parks removing grass at UUCSR's meadow site.



UUCSR's turf is used to create a new lawn in a city park just north of Battery Park City.

LAND MANAGEMENT ECOLOGIST

Agnes P. Cwalina

The Beauty of Quiet Observation

In preparation for the Guided Forest Walk a few weeks ago, co-leaders Doug and Agnes walked the trail to prepare for the event. Stopping at a tulip tree, one of their favorite trees, they admired its definitive characteristics: the cat-face shaped leaves, the tulip-like flowers, and the very tall and very straight trunk. They also noticed cocoons of a lepidopteran species on several branches.

A few days later, during the guided forest walk, once again stopping to share appreciation for this magnificent tree, one of the cocoon inhabitants had emerged! A beautiful tuliptree silkmoth was sitting nearby its now-empty pupa. The group admired the insect in quiet observation. After moths and butterflies emerge, they spend time drying off and pumping fluid into the wings, ready for flight soon after.

Agnes P. Cwalina, UUCSR's Land Management Ecologist, is offering leisurely botanical walks through the forest on select Sundays at 9:00 AM. If you are interested, please email her at acwalina@uucsr.org to reserve a spot. The first walk is scheduled for June 14.



Photo of tuliptree silkmoth by Steven Handelman



Flowers of tulip tree, *Liriodendron tulipifera*

BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Annual Meeting

Sunday, June 7, 2026 | 1:00 PM
Worship Room and Online

Please join us for the Annual Congregational Meeting on Sunday, June 7, at 1:00 PM, both onsite and online.

For those joining online, please register [HERE](#)

After registering, you will receive a confirmation email containing information about joining the webinar.

The meeting agenda is below.

- I. In Memoriam
- II. Approval of Minutes
- III. Approval of 2026-2027 Overall Budget
- IV. Election of Vice President, Term Trustees and Veatch Board of Governors
- V. Election of Nominating Committee Members
- VI. Treasurer's Report
- VII. President's Report
- VIII. Ceremony of Installation
- IX. Good of the Order

GREEN SANCTUARY COMMITTEE

Jennifer Roth, Chair

Mother of Thousands

In memory of Rev. Natalie Fenimore, you are welcome to a seedling from this succulent, from the Kalanchoe species of plants. I am propagating them and leaving them with Agnes P. Cwalina. Natalie was a Mother of Thousands. Place indoors on a sunny windowsill, water once a week. It is toxic if ingested; do not place near pets or children.



Submitted by Jennifer Roth

The Woman Farmer

“This year marks an important milestone: 2026 has been designated by the United Nations Food and Agriculture Organization as the International Year of the Woman Farmer. That is a welcome recognition of something American Farmland Trust has long understood. Women are essential to the strength, resilience, and future of agriculture.” (Spring Issue of *American Farmland Trust*)

They state that women now farm or co-farm 43 percent of U.S. farmland. They are promoting a Women for the Land initiative which helps women to overcome any barriers to the resources and empowerment that they need to sustainably work their land.

UUCSR's Community Garden does likewise, extending resources to give the gardeners of any gender the practical knowledge and tools needed for them to grow a good crop.

Submitted by Elaine Peters

Food & Water Watch

One of the best ways to stay abreast of climate issues is to subscribe to the *Food & Water Watch* newsletter. Each year, the Green Sanctuary Committee hosts a Potluck dinner, and the President is given the podium for the annual Recap.

This organization makes it easy to become an activist both locally, statewide, and nationally. To learn more click [HERE](#). Their most recent newsletter is emphasizing the SUNNY Act, a new bill which could ultimately allow homeowners and renters the option to plug into solar heat. The option of having this installation staves off the fossil fuel issue haunting all of those dedicated to healing the environment. For the opportunity to urge your legislator to pass this act, please visit the Food & Water Watch website, foodandwaterwatch.org.

Submitted by Jennifer S. Roth

BOOKSTORE COMMITTEE

Elaine Peters, Chair

Summer Sales

Store sales start in June. Many reductions will be found in social justice and racial justice books, environmental and women's books, autobiographies, T-shirts, cute toys, UU cups, and other items.

Before the Bookstore closes in July, drop in. You may find a bargain for yourself, a family member, or a friend.

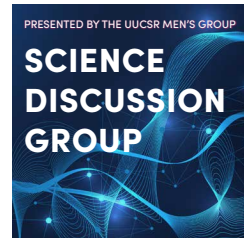


MEN'S GROUP

Robert Penaskovic, Chair

Science Discussion Network—Informal Discussions

Sunday June 21 | Social Hall After Services
Topic: An Artificial Intelligence Bill of Rights



On Father's Day Sunday, get your lunch and join us at our table in the Social Hall—starting around 12:30 PM—for an hour of conversation and discovery before heading off to your afternoon activities.

The June 21 topic is “An AI Bill of Rights.” All of us have opinions on this; let's share them.

What rights should all of us have under the AI Revolution? What privacy protections should there be? What rights should all of us have for job security? How can we be protected against the worst possible outcomes under AI? What are the implications of Pope Leo's encyclical on AI?

This summer, stay connected by joining the informal discussions in the Social Hall after Sunday services, starting around 12:30 PM. Planned schedule is Sunday, June 21, and June 28, and then every other Sunday. Come as often as you like. Look for email reminders if you are on the list or contact Elaine Corrao 516.472.2933 or ecorrao@uucsr.org for information or to be added to the email list.

No matter what your level of science knowledge, there's a place for you in the Science Discussion Network at UUCSR.



SAF Holds Successful Orientation and Leadership Workshop

The Student Activity Fund (SAF) is thrilled to share that its annual Orientation and Leadership Workshop, held on Sunday, May 17, at Shelter Rock, was a resounding success!

The event welcomed an inspiring keynote speaker, Eve Meltzer-Krief, MD, who spoke on “Youth as Allies: Simple, Real Ways to Support Affected People in Your Community.” The SAF Advisory Committee also contributed through breakout sessions and overall program leadership. The Shelter Rock staff were phenomenal partners in making the event possible. Special thanks to Carson Jones and Tiai Stewart for their essential support.

SAF Advisory Committee members Jaymie Meliker and Robin Rivera led an engaging breakout session on professionalism. Other SAF Advisory Committee members who participated were Julie Buckley, Meghan LaDue, Krissy Roleke, Frank Teltsch (UUCSR member), Jessica Vega (UUCSR member), and Adrienne Weisent-Jones.

SAF would not be able to reach young adults across Long Island without the continued support of ministers and leadership in UU congregations throughout Nassau and Suffolk Counties. SAF is grateful for all the help provided.

Thanks also to Laurice Grae, Susan Pond, Elena Litescu, and Marianne Reuter, staff members of the Long Island Area Council of UU Congregations (LIAC), for their leadership and support which have helped SAF continue to grow and thrive.

The Student Activity Fund is a student-internship program for youth and young adults. The goal of the program is to mobilize young adults to engage in meaningful and informative work experiences, to make a positive impact on the community through social justice initiatives, and to represent Unitarian Universalist Values. Since its inception fifty years ago, SAF has been funded solely by the UU Veatch Program at Shelter Rock.

For more information about the Student Activity Fund, please contact SAF Program Director Ginger O’Neill at safdirector@liacuu.org, or at 914.314.1818.

CARING COMMITTEE

Martha Chimienti, Chair

UUCSR Caring Committee Presents

Natalie’s Hands

Lay Pastoral Care Introductory Class

SATURDAY, JUNE 20 | 2:30–4:30 PM
VEATCH BALLROOM

Are you looking for a way to get more involved in the UUCSR Community? Do you want to do important work? Join “Natalie’s Hands!”

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REGISTER HERE:
uucsr.org/NataliesHands26

Questions? Contact Sharyn Esposito at
516.472.2960 or sesposito@uucsr.org

HENRY DAVID THOREAU SERIES

Co-sponsored by the UUCSR Caring Committee and Adult Program Committee

Henry David Thoreau Series

Please join the Caring and the Adult Programs Committees as they share a three-part series to learn about Henry David Thoreau's complex life, his deep connection to nature, and his enduring legacy in social justice and environmentalism.

This series will be centered around the PBS documentary, *Henry David Thoreau*, that was produced by Ken Burns and features George Clooney as the narrator, Jeff Goldblum as the voice of Thoreau, Ted Danson as Ralph Waldo Emerson, and Meryl Streep as the voices of women in Thoreau's life. More information about the documentary is available here: <https://www.pbs.org/show/henry-david-thoreau/>

Part 1—Who are We?

June 2026 Fourth Friday (Friday, June 26) | 6:30–9:00 PM | Social Hall

Sponsored by the Caring Committee

Thoreau's early life, family, education, and his early connection with Unitarian and Transcendental thinkers will be shared with the screening of Part 1 of the *Henry David Thoreau* documentary. There will be a light dinner before the viewing, and a discussion afterwards on Friday, June 26, in the Social Hall starting at 6:30 PM.

Register [HERE](#). Questions? Please contact Sharon Esposito (sesposito@uucsr.org, 516.472.2960)

Part 2—Being Alive

Sunday, June 28 | 1:00–3:00 PM | Art Gallery

Sponsored by the Adult Programs Committee

Thoreau lives at Walden Pond where he writes, while exploring nature...and himself. The second part of the *Henry David Thoreau* documentary will be shown after Worship and Sunday Cafe in the Art Gallery at 1:00 PM, on Sunday, June 28, with a discussion to follow.

Register [HERE](#). Questions? Please contact Jamie Walowitz (jwalowitz@uucsr.org, 516.472.2943)

Part 3—Several More Lives to Live

Sunday, July 19 | 12:30–3:00 PM | Art Gallery and Grounds

Sponsored by the Adult Programs Committee

After Walden, Thoreau takes on new roles and adventures as an environmentalist, abolitionist, and public speaker, while he continues to edit his writings. The third and final part of the *Henry David Thoreau* documentary will be shown after Worship and Sunday Cafe in the Art Gallery at 12:30 PM, on Sunday, July 19. After the screening, Agnes P. Cwalina, UUCSR's Land Management Ecologist, will lead us on a short walk on UUCSR grounds, concluding with a chance to discuss Thoreau's impact and the relevance of his work in today's world.

Register [HERE](#). Questions? Please contact Jamie Walowitz (jwalowitz@uucsr.org, 516.472.2943)

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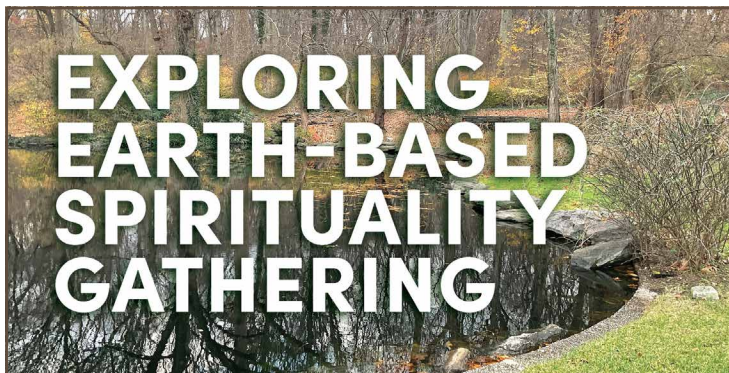


Thursday June 11 | Social Hall | 7 PM

Join the Long Island Botanical Society for a meeting followed by a talk from botanist Dr. Andy Greller, Vice President of the LI Botanical Society, twice past President of the Torrey Botanical Society, and Professor of Biology Emeritus at Queens College. Andy will present on the “Spring Flora of the Oak Forests on the Manetto Hills” of Plainview, Nassau County. Andy will present on the “Spring Flora of the Oak Forests on the Manetto Hills” of Plainview, Nassau County. Open to all.

Registration Requested: uucsr.org/LIBS26

Questions? Contact Agnes P. Cwalina (acwalina@uucsr.org)



Fourth Saturdays (June 13) Monthly | 11:00 AM
RE Room 19 and Chapel
Exploring Earth-Based Traditions Gathering

Share the cultures, rituals, and beliefs of people who lived with purposeful connection to the earth. All are welcome to explore various paths to spirituality. Please bring some food to share at this event, or a nosh. We will meet and then break for lunch. We hope you can join with us to explore various paths to spirituality. If you can't meet in-person, you are welcome to join online.

Register [HERE](#). After you register you will receive the Zoom link. Questions? Contact Sharyn Esposito (sesposito@uucsr.org, 516.472.2960)

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END-OF-YEAR BARBECUE

Saturday, June 13, 2026
3-6 PM • Social Hall

Delicious BBQ Fare

Hamburgers, Veggie Burgers, Hot Dogs, Sausage, Salads, Chips, Ice Cream and Cookies. Beverages include Beer, Wine, Soda, Coffee, and Tea.

Bring your family and enjoy fellowship, food, and music.

\$25 for UUCSR Members
\$30 for Non-Members
Free for children 5-15

Deadline: Wednesday, June 10

Catered Event
Advance Registration Required

All welcome!

REGISTER/PAY ONLINE
uucsr.org/26bbq

Questions? Contact Elaine Corrao
ecorrao@uucsr.org or 516.472.2920

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UUCSR Adult Programs Committee Presents

Adult Bible Class

With Student Minister Bryan Bower

SUNDAY, JUNE 14 | 2 PM
RE ROOM 15

You are invited to join in studying the Bible critically and intelligently with Student Minister Bryan Bower, who specialized in modern Biblical Studies at Union Theological Seminary. Rather than taking these texts at face value, we will examine the signs that the text was compiled from older sources.

For our third session, we will be studying excerpts from **Acts of the Apostles**. Most likely written at the end of the first century CE and presumably written by the writer of the "third Gospel," Luke, it continues the narrative after the end of the Gospel story, and through the first decades of the followers of a risen Jesus. While he appears a bit later in the text, Paul is clearly the center of the story; and yet, key details of this story clash with the seven letters of Paul which scholars have concluded to be authentic, which we will also look at together.

No background in the Bible is necessary, just curiosity and willingness to learn!

These are each individual classes, and you don't need to have attended the first to sign up for this one!

REGISTER HERE:
uucsr.org/BibleClass26

Questions? Contact Jamie Walowitz
Youth & Adult Faith Engagement Coordinator
at 516.472.2943 or jwalowitz@uucsr.org

MUSIC AND PERFORMING ARTS PRESENTS

CHAMBER MUSIC AT SHELTER ROCK:

Featuring Nathaniel and Friends



Saturday, June 20
• 7 PM •
Worship Room

Featuring the music of
RAVEL and HAYDN

FEES

\$10/\$20 maximum for families
18 years old and under FREE

Reserve tickets in advance
to guarantee a seat.

Only prepaid tickets will be
guaranteed seating.

TICKETS HERE
uucsr.org/Ravel26

Questions? Contact
Noah Russell at committeeassist@uucsr.org
or **Sharyn Esposito** at sesposito@uucsr.org

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**Habitat
for Humanity®**
of Long Island, NY

**UUCSR Builds with Habitat for
Humanity Long Island (Again)!**
Saturday, June 20
8:45 AM–2:30 PM | Wyandanch,
exact location TBD

The Social Justice and Religious Education Committees are excited to announce that UUCSR will be going to Wyandanch on Saturday, June 20, to build houses with Habitat for Humanity Long Island's Sponsor for a Day Program! You must be 16 years of age or older to volunteer.

Habitat for Humanity is a nonprofit organization that helps families build or improve their homes, creating opportunities for affordable homeownership and decent housing. They work in local communities and internationally, partnering with individuals and families to provide housing solutions. Habitat for Humanity's vision is a world where everyone has a decent place to live.

UUCSR is now a Habitat for Humanity Long Island Sponsor! Every year, Habitat Long Island invites companies and organizations to send groups out to their construction sites to help build affordable homes for hardworking, low-moderate income families, through their Sponsor for a Day (SFAD) program. Teams come together, raise/donate funds, and sponsor their own build day with Habitat. This is a wonderful opportunity to come together as a community for a fantastic cause!

Click [HERE](#) for more information and to register. Contact Jamie Walowitz (jwalowitz@uucsr.org; 516.472.2943) or Sonia Arora (sarora@uucsr.org; 516.472.2977).

THE UUCSR MINISTRY TEAM PRESENTS

PRACTICING EMPATHY

Sunday, June 21, 2026 | 1:00 PM | Veatch Library

Please join the UUCSR Respectful Relationship Team for Practicing Empathy in communication with one another. The Respectful Relationship Team operates with an understanding that our community is enhanced—and the world will be enhanced—by our compassionate communication with one another. Learn more [HERE](#).

The ministers are also ready for compassionate conversation one-to-one with all of our members. If you want to make an appointment for a one-to-one conversation, please reach out to a minister or make an appointment with the Ministers Assistant Sharon Esposito (516.472.2960 or sesposito@uucsr.org).

UUCSR Adult Programs Committee Presents

Adult Bible Class With Student Minister Bryan Bower

SUNDAY, JUNE 21 | 1 PM | RE ROOM 15

You are invited to join in studying the Bible critically and intelligently with Student Minister Bryan Bower, who specialized in modern Biblical Studies at Union Theological Seminary. For our fourth session, we will be studying excerpts from the book of **Revelation**, or "The Apocalypse of John." This fascinating text almost wasn't included in the Biblical canon for being, as John Buehrens puts it, "too idiosyncratic and easily misinterpreted". Since it ended up in the Bible, it made words like "apocalypse" and "catastrophe" useful to the present day.

These are each individual classes, and you don't need to have attended the first to sign up for this one! No background in the Bible is necessary, just curiosity and willingness to learn!

Please click [HERE](#) for more information and registration details. Questions? Please contact Jamie Walowitz: (jwalowitz@uucsr.org; 516.472.2943.)

UUCSR Adult Programs Committee Presents

Living Our UU Faith: Deep Listening, Deep Questions

led by REV. MEAGAN HENRY *Associate Minister at UUCSR*

Rescheduled to Sunday, September 13

1:00 PM | Veatch Library

Registration Closed—Join The Waitlist For The Next Session*

*Please contact Jamie Walowitz, Youth and Adult Faith Engagement Coordinator: jwalowitz@uucsr.org or 516.472.2943

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PRIDE MONTH MOVIE SCREENING

Disclosure

Saturday, June 27 | 12:30 pm | RE Room 4

Disclosure: Media's Influence on Public Perception of Transgender People | Light Lunch: 12:30 PM | Movie Screening: 1:00 PM
Disclosure (2020) is a Netflix documentary directed by Sam Feder that explores the history of transgender representation in film and television. It features trans creatives and thinkers analyzing how Hollywood depictions have influenced cultural views and trans lives, covering over 100 years of media from silent films to modern dramas.

Register at uucsr.org/26Pride. All are welcome. No charge.
Questions? Contact Sonia Arora (sarora@uucsr.org)

Women's Group Cordially
Invites All Members to

Annual Meeting & Election Luncheon

SUNDAY, JUNE 28, 2026

12:30–3:00 PM • Veatch Ballroom
Register online: uucsr.org/WGLunch26

THIS YEAR'S TOPIC:

WOMEN, INCARCERATION, AND THE CONDITIONS AT THE
BEDFORD HILLS WOMEN'S PRISON

Speaker: Serena (Liguori) Martin
Executive Director New Hour for Women & Children—LI

Serena (Liguori) Martin is the Executive Director and policy advocate with 15+ years of leadership advancing criminal justice reform, women's rights, and reentry services in New York State. She is the Founder and long-time leader of New Hour.

NO CHARGE For Women's Group Members
\$30 Non-Membership Fee

Advanced registration for ALL attendees and non-Women's Group
member payments required by Wednesday, June 24, 2026.
Walk-ins not permitted.

Questions? Please contact Elaine Corrao
(516.472.2933, ecorrao@uucsr.org)

THE ORCHESTRA AT SHELTER ROCK PRESENTS

ANNUAL SUMMER CONCERT 2026

With Music Director, Stephen Michael Smith

ANTON BRUCKNER Symphony No. 7 in E Major, WAB 107

SATURDAY, AUGUST 1
| 7 PM |
SHELTER ROCK

\$10 | \$20 MAXIMUM FOR FAMILIES
UNDER 18 FREE

Reception to meet the artists to follow.

TICKETS HERE
uucsr.org/26Summer

To reserve a seat contact
Noah Russell
at committeeassist@uucsr.org

Free Professional Child Care
and Parking Provided.

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Third Sundays | 1:00–2:30 PM | Bride's Room

Small Group Ministry

led by Iris McKenna

Learn more and register [HERE](#). Contact Jamie Walowitz (jwalowitz@uucsr.org or 516.472.2943) to join this Small Group. Gather at 12:45 PM, with any lunch or coffee to finish so the meeting can begin at 1:00 PM, sharp.

Sundays Monthly | 1:00–3:00 PM | UUCSR Veatch Terrace Room Jun 21, July 19, August 16, September TBD, October 18, November 22, December 20

Silent Book Club

Enjoy reading in community! Grab your favorite book, a cozy blanket (or chair if you fancy), and don't forget some tasty snacks to share. What is Silent Book Club, you may wonder? We meet once a month, we chat for a few minutes, read for an hour, followed by more chitchat...that's it! There's no assigned reading! We bring whatever we're reading: e-books, hard copies, textbooks, comics, even audiobooks. All genres welcome! See you and your book at the next meeting! Please click [HERE](#) to sign up and we're so excited to meet you! Questions? Contact Carson Jones at 516.472.2915 or cjones@uucsr.org.

First Mondays | 6:30–8:00 PM | Zoom

Small Group Ministry

led by Winterflower Robinson

Learn more and register [HERE](#). Contact Jamie Walowitz (jwalowitz@uucsr.org or 516.472.2943) with any questions.

Third Mondays | 10:00 AM | Via Zoom

Care for the Caregiver

Caron Hunter, a holistic health care provider and interfaith minister, leads sessions for those who care for spouses, parents, family members, and friends who are navigating the physical/emotional/mental challenges that caregiving brings. It is a confidential group for those who would welcome support. Please email info@turninginwardwithcaron.com for information on joining the group. Sponsored by the Caring Committee. No charge to participate.

FIRE SAFETY REMINDER

In case of a fire alarm, please remember the Three Ls:

LOCATE the exits

LEAVE the building immediately

LISTEN for instructions before returning to the building

Tuesdays | 6:30 PM | Via Zoom [HERE](#)

Gatherings with LGBTQ+ Friends

The LGBTQ+ Sub-Committee Gatherings are not just for Queer folk—the + includes friends, allies, and parents. Check in at 6:30 PM; gather for facilitated conversation at 7:00 PM. (See page 2 for conversation leaders/topics.)

First and Third Tuesdays Monthly

12:00–2:00 PM | Onsite Office Conference Room and Online Zoom

Women Talk Daytime

Facilitated by Sandra Frank, Women's Group Board Member. Our format is simple: we start with check-in and move on to an agreed-upon topic for all to discuss, taking turns "going around." Attendees offer their thoughts and ideas to one another, sparking interesting discussions. Besides talking, we listen, learn, and share our individual stories. In the process, we bond with each other and have fun. Your views are welcome during this informal time together. There's much to talk about. Let's be together to share good company and conversation. Do try to attend. You can meet onsite in the Office Conference Room or join the discussion from your home on Zoom. Visit [HERE](#) for details. Questions? Please contact Elaine Corrao (ecorrao@uucsr.org or 516.472.2933).

Third Tuesdays | 10:30 AM | Via Zoom

Living with Cancer, led by Caron Hunter

People living with the challenges of a cancer diagnosis may join a safe, confidential group where members may share their experiences with others who understand the intricacies. In this supportive environment, we lift each other up, learn tools for coping with stress, meditate together, and open a prayerful spirit within ourselves to encourage healing. Please email info@turninginwardwithcaron.com for information on joining the group. Sponsored by the Caring Committee. No charge.

Wednesdays | 2:00 PM | via Zoom

Wednesday Conversations

Seeking an opportunity for spiritual deepening in a supportive setting? You are invited to Wednesday Conversations where we explore a poem or reading for reflection, sharing, and listening. This month's theme is *Flourishing Together*. To join, click [HERE](#). Questions? Please contact Sharyn Esposito (sesposito@uucsr.org or 516.472.2960). Please see the UUCSR calendar [HERE](#) for summer schedule—meetings are two times per month June-August.

Second Wednesdays | 11:00 AM–12:30 PM

Hadley House Community Room

Small Group Ministry led by Deborah Siegel and Lilyan Strassman

Learn more and register [HERE](#). Contact Jamie Walowitz (jwalowitz@uucsr.org or 516.472.2943) with any questions.

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Thursdays | 1:00–4:00 PM, or until “Game Over” | Art Gallery Bridge, Canasta, Games & Fun

UUCSR is the place to be for an afternoon of fun and games on Thursdays. Not only Bridge and Canasta. We provide the games Mah Jong, Scrabble, Rummikub, Dominos, etc., and invite you to come for a social afternoon. Players of all levels are welcome. Bring your friends who enjoy playing. You'll make new friends, too. All are welcome. Questions? Please contact Elaine Corrao (ecorrao@uucsr.org or 516.472.2933), Carla Drezner (stargatecd@aol.com) or Sandra Hazel Frank (sanwin@optonline.net).

Thursdays | 6:15 PM | Veatch Ballroom Zazen Meditation—Inisfada Long Island Zen

Come join Long Island Inisfada Zen on a weekly journey to the most sacred place in the Universe—YOURSELF. Learn how to watch your mind and feel this joyful flow of emptiness while calming your thoughts. Zen Meditation is a Practice of Buddhism where you follow your breath in silence to acknowledge your thoughts and become one with the present moment. ALL ARE WELCOME. Beginner instructions can be provided. Please come and begin to learn your mind and take the new YOU into your everyday life Register [HERE](#) to attend. Contact Leslie Entin (917.822.0880), or Jamie Walowitz (jwalowitz@uucsr.org, 516.472.2943), if you have any questions.

Fridays | 10:45–11:45 AM | In-Person in Lounge at Hadley House or on ZOOM

Medical Qigong for Senior Health—Spring/Summer 2026 led by Ashley Baldwin

Fridays: June 5, 12, 26; July 3 (No Class on Friday, June 19)

\$16 drop-in price. All are welcome to join us for this Medical Qigong for Senior Health community class in the Lounge at Hadley House or via ZOOM! Cultivate your center, improve balance and alignment, and build confidence in your body. Classes include gentle movement and breathing exercises, which may be done standing or sitting, and are designed to help maintain quality of life as you age. Learn more and find registration information [HERE](#). Questions? Contact Jamie Walowitz (jwalowitz@uucsr.org, 516.472.2943).

Fridays via Zoom | 12:00 PM

Great Books

All are welcome to join us as we read and discuss books together, building both our knowledge and sense of community. The Great Books group provides a fun, learning experience combined with good conversation and critical thinking. Click [HERE](#) to register! Please contact Jamie Walowitz with questions (jwalowitz@uucsr.org or 516.472.2943).

23rd of Every Month via Zoom | 6:30–7:00 PM Online Vigil to End Solitary Confinement

All are welcome to join the Social Justice Committee of UUCSR for the online vigil on the 23rd of every month to end Solitary Confinement. Gather to remember those in our prisons and jails condemned to the torture of solitary confinement, 23 hours a day in a small cell without meaningful human contact for days, weeks, months, years, even decades. To be included on the Emailing List, please write to Social Justice Coordinator Sonia Arora at sarora@uucsr.org. Join Zoom [HERE](#).

Third Fridays | 3:30 PM

Women's Group Online Book Series Discussion

June 19: *The Berry Pickers*, by Amanda Peters, discussion led by Lee Geisen. In July 1962, following in the tradition of Indigenous workers from Nova Scotia, a Mi'kmaq family arrives in Maine to pick blueberries for the summer. Weeks later, four-year-old Ruthie vanishes, last seen by her six-year-old brother, Joe, sitting on a favorite rock at the edge of a berry field. The book is an unforgettable exploration of grief, love, and kin. Visit [HERE](#) for details or contact Elaine Corrao to learn more (ecorrao@uucsr.org or 516.472.2933).

Third Fridays | 7:00 PM and Fourth Fridays | 7:00 PM

Women's Group Online Film Discussion

June 19: TBD

Visit [HERE](#) for details or contact Elaine Corrao to learn more (ecorrao@uucsr.org or 516.472.2933).

Saturday, July 11, and Saturday, September 19 | 9:00 AM Veatch Ballroom

Zazenkai—Inisfada Long Island Zen All-Day Meditation

Come join Long Island Inisfada Zen for a full or part-day of silent Zen Meditation. This all/part-day session is called “Zazenkai,” and contains periodic chants and teachings, snack breaks, and a lunch break. Each hour-/hour-and-half-long session is broken up into half-hour segments. ALL ARE WELCOME. Beginner instructions are provided. You are welcome to bring food for yourself or to share with others. Spiritual donation appreciated, but not required, to attend. Register to attend [HERE](#) or contact Leslie Entin (917.822.0880) or Jamie Walowitz (jwalowitz@uucsr.org, 516.472.2943), if you have any questions.

Saturdays | 9:30 AM | Art Gallery going forward (Sometimes in Veatch Ballroom or Social Hall)

Yoga For All Levels, led by Mia

An opportunity for spiritual growth and centeredness \$15 per class. For more information and to register, click [HERE](#).

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Next Quest: Wednesday, June 17 | Deadline for Content: Tuesday, June 9, 2026



Wednesdays | 10:00 AM–12:00 PM
Childcare RE Rooms 1, 2
June 10, 17, 2026

Feeling like you're navigating the incredible, sometimes overwhelming, world of newborn-hood solo? We get it. That's why we're creating a truly special space just for you and your little one, designed for connection, learning, and finding your footing in this wild new chapter. This powerful program is led by Dr. Paula Elbirt, a highly respected pediatrician, author, and child advocate.

Register [HERE](#). Questions? Please contact Carson Jones at cjones@uucsr.org.



The Bookstore and Gift Shop
at Shelter Rock is
open every Sunday from
12:00–1:00 PM

Find out what's new this month on page 7!

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