



# NEWSLETTER

## Like An Ever-Flowing Stream

**Rev. Bob Renjilian— Saturday, 9:00am-1:00pm & Facebook Livestream at 10:00am, Sunday**

Join Rev. Bob in an unusual water sharing service, during the season of startups and renewal. On Saturday we have “drive-thru” water collection at UUTC anytime from 9:00-1:00. Drive thru at the time that works for you. Bring an index card (or similar sized note) ***about the values and meanings which flow from your water.***

These messages on the cards help us renew our sense of purpose as a religious community, with the diversity of responses enriching us as a people. Whether or not you’ve brought water on Saturday, join us virtually on Sunday to see the videos and hear the meanings of what we value.



# Letter from the President

## Susan Zelle, President of the Board of Trustees

We're in the final stages of some needed organizational tweaks; if you haven't already, please cast your ballot to adopt the proposed revision to the Bylaws, and the establishment of a new Congregational Endowment Committee and the slate of nominees to serve on this committee: Joanna Bliss, Roberta Miller, and Jim Null.



It's been a busy summer for UUTC as we've worked hard to stay connected and provide accessible programming. There are so many positive things going on at our church its hard to know where to begin, but I'd like to say a special thank you to Kevin Lausch for the wildly successful Chalice Camp which educated UU children and also welcomed children from outside our UU family. The Camp was held under "somewhat unusual circumstances," which could be the refrain for much of what we've done the past 6 months. Now that we're getting into the swing of things, our flexibility will serve us well during the fall and winter.

From Chalice Camp to the Chalice Project that celebrated the summer solstice and honored our high school seniors (check out the coverage in the UU World's Fall 2020 issue) our members are showing their creativity. Our hearts sang along with the Music Extravaganza coordinated by Teri Sandoval and John Austin, and participants were challenged by the workshop on "Bridging the Divide" that helped us develop methods for communicating with those with vastly different opinions.

We're figuring out what is the new normal, trying to reconfigure rituals and events which are part of our world like Fellowship on Tap and our Social Hours, two events that help us connect with our friends. Both Loving Hearts and Helping Hands and our Covid Task Force have done a great job reaching out to those who may need help or merely need a sympathetic ear. I believe that most of us are checking in on one another more than usual; if you haven't found a few new people who would be cheered by a card, email, or phone call, put on your thinking caps!

## Upcoming Family Events (For All Ages!)



### Kevin Lausch, Director of Children's Religious Education

#### Saturday, September 19 at 10:00am - Apple Picking and Picnic

Meet at Jeter Mountain Farm in Henderson County for apple picking and a picnic. This new orchard is closer than other locations and offers a wagon ride out to the orchards, food truck, a market and more. You can bring your own picnic lunch or buy food at the site. The address is 1126 Jeter Mountain Rd. **No RSVP needed.**

Jeter Mountain Prices: U-pick apples are \$25/peck and gets 4 people on the wagon to ride out into the orchards. \$3/person for each additional rider and kids 5 and under are

free. See <https://www.jetermountain.com/u-pick> for more info. **Please note that Jeter Mountain does not allow pets.**

### **Saturday, Oct 17 at 10:00 am - Pumpkin Painting and Food Drive for Sharing House**

Costumes are encouraged and we will provide the mini pumpkins for kids to paint and take home, along with some snacks. Shelf stable food will be collected for Sharing House. **RSVP.**

### **Saturday, Nov 21 at 10:00 am - Pisgah Hike and Picnic**

Meet at the Pisgah Ranger Station/Visitors Center on highway 276 (1600 Pisgah Highway, Pisgah Forest) for a hike on the Andy Cove Nature Trail and then a picnic at Sycamore Flats. **RSVP.**

### **Saturday, December 12 at 4 PM - Holiday Caroling and S'mores**

Join us for singing holiday carols around a bonfire with s'mores on the Fellowship Green behind the church. Remember your masks/face shields and social distancing please. **RSVP.**

***Please note, if an event is rained out, it is automatically scheduled for the next Sunday at 1 PM.***

Please contact Kevin Lausch at [kevin@uutc.org](mailto:kevin@uutc.org) or 864-395-1208 with questions. Thanks!

## **Being Clear About Fellowship on the Green**



Fellowship on the Green happens on the **second** and **fourth** Tuesdays of each month (at least until it gets too cold!) from 11:30 to 1:30pm. State rules under Covid mean we must limit the gathering to 50 people... obviously 50 people will not fit under the shade sails, especially while we are physically distanced, but the Meditation space is also available and shady.

IN THE EVENT OF RAIN, the following Thursdays are available.

**The next date is Tuesday, Sept. 22nd.** Mark your calendar, feel free to bring a lawn chair, and join the fun! Heather Williams will greet you around 11:30.

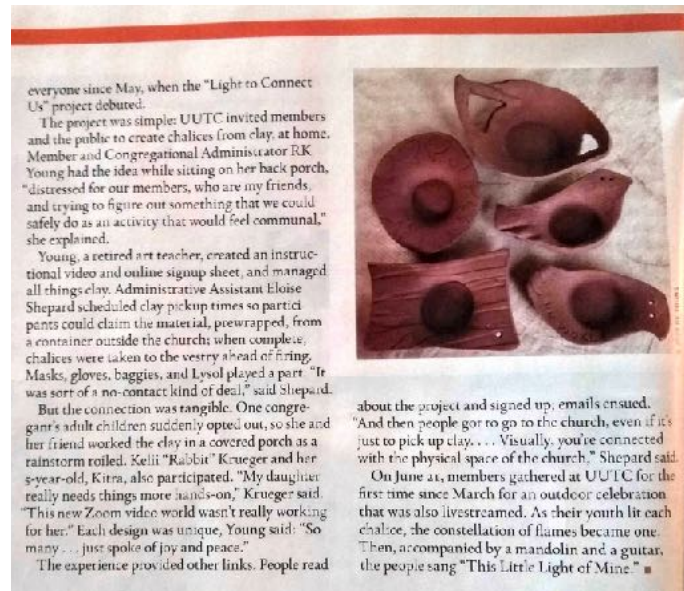
Chairs in the Meditation Garden are the most comfortable seating, so if the picnic tables are uncomfortable for you, plan on our OTHER Fellowship space! Bring a meal — or not — we just want to make sure you have the opportunity to avoid isolation and can converse with friends. As Covid grinds on, it is more and more necessary to support our mental health by being in (safe) community with others. Fresh air, properly distanced, provides the very best way for us to care for each other in this way. Your presence is a gift to others —Hope to see you there!

## UUTC Featured in UU World

The fall edition of UU World is out, and UUTC got covered! Photos from Eloise Shepard, Michael Shore, Kay Webb and RK Young were featured in the article, which covered the Chalice Project that was begun early in Covid time and celebrated at the summer solstice.

A few chalices have yet to be picked up— if you have not done so, give Eloise or RK a call to unlock the doors for you...the remaining pieces are in the vestibule. *(below)*

All Members of UUTC should have received your copy of UU World. If you did NOT receive this magazine, please contact either Eloise or RK... you may have a change of address or some other reason that has interrupted delivery. UUA rules issue the magazine only to Members, not Friends. Let RK or Rev. Bob know if you would like to change your status!



## Lifespan Religious Exploration With GUUF

Our friends in Greenville, SC, have a dynamic woman named Kathleen Anderson who has helped them get their Adult RE online with Zoom. They have opened these offerings to other area UUs. "Timely Topics for Tough Times," "The Challenge of Jesus," "White Lies" (outstanding podcast up for a Pulitzer), "Beloved Conversations: Meditations on Race & Ethnicity," and a Book Study: "The Four Agreements," are all available.

You must register with the Greenville Unitarian Universalist Fellowship (GUUF) to receive Zoom links for these opportunities. [CLICK HERE TO BE TAKEN TO THE CLASS DESCRIPTIONS AND REGISTRATION LINKS.](#)

## Identifying New Leaders

What makes UUTC vital? Part of it is having an ever-changing Leadership to bring new ideas and talents to the fulfillment of our Mission. The Nominations Committee is beginning the process of preparing a slate of nominees to fill positions of leadership at UUTC beginning July 1, 2021:

**Board:** *(Policy Governance and fiscal oversight)*

President Elect  
One Member at Large

**Nominations Committee:** *(Identifies and recruits new leadership for service)*

One Member

**Endowment Committee:** *(Determines direction of Endowment Fund gifts)*

One Member

All nominees must be Members of the congregation. You are invited to submit names of qualified candidates to the Nominations Committee: [Jim Hardy](#), [Peter Mockridge](#), and [Cantey Carpenter](#).

Thank you!  
Cantey Carpenter, Chair

*(Ed. Note: Nominees must be Members 18 or older. Reliable internet recommended.)*



## UUFH Is Hiring



The [Unitarian Universalist Fellowship of Hendersonville](#) is seeking an Office Manager to work part time with responsibilities for organizing and coordinating office operations. Experience required: minimum 5 years' experience in office management, organizational and communication skills, and competency in computers.

Interested parties please send your resume to: Rev. Donald Rollins, [intminister@uufhnc.org](mailto:intminister@uufhnc.org).

For a detailed job description, contact [RK](#) or [Eloise](#).



UU the Vote presents

# Gather the Spirit

Harvesting the Power of our Faith in 2020

September 23, 2020

4:30pm P / 5:30pm M / 6:30pm C / 7:30 pm E

Register at [uuthe.vote/gather](https://uuthe.vote/gather)

UU the VOTE

## A New Courthouse Is Coming. How Do We Plan?

Right now, the Board of Trustees is looking for new members for the Property Committee. One of the two “most popular” plans for the new County Courthouse would be right across Varsity Street from UUTC. How does this impact UUTC and our future planning? Are you worried? Are you overjoyed? (Think how convenient protesting would be! But ugh, the park would be gone!)

If you haven't been following this news in the Transylvania Times, it's time for us to get informed and let our voices be heard. Want to get involved? Contact Board President [Susan Zelle](#)!

*If you choose to use your status and influence to raise your voice on behalf of those who have no voice; if you choose to identify not only with the powerful, but with the powerless; if you retain the ability to imagine yourself into the lives of those who do not have your advantages, then it will not only be your proud families who celebrate your existence, but thousands and millions of people whose reality you have helped transform for the better. We do not need magic to change the world, we carry all the power we need inside ourselves already: we have the power to imagine better.*

— J. K. Rowling