

UUTC UPDATE

What Children's Stories Taught Me About Life

Rev. Bob Renjilian – Facebook Livestream at 10:00am, Sunday

Children's stories provide all sorts of lessons on human values, dealing with life's circumstances, and imagining a different future. This sermon will refer to a few stories that made a difference in my life's journey, and get us thinking about our journey together.



Happy Hour Zooming – Not This Week

There will be NO HAPPY HOUR this week. Instead, mark your calendars for **Friday, May 22** at **5:00pm**, and join an informal zooming session with RK, **Rev. Bob and his wife Christy!** A new link will be in next week's newsletter for this special session.

If you've had trouble with "zooming," please reach out to search@uutc.org or covid@uutc.org to see if we can figure out what is getting in your way. We may be in for a long haul, and we want to provide as many ways to connect as we can. Your mental health is important to us, and "socializing" is part of what keeps us healthy human beings. Do reach out!

Note from Board President

This has been another busy week as we continue to keep UUTC moving forward!

I am so excited that we are actually approaching “Virtual Candidating Week!” Our Search Team has gone above and beyond with their work to not only find an EXCELLENT candidate in Rev. Bob, but then to organize virtual ways that we all have the option to meet with Rev. Bob! I know the whole "virtual thing" can be intimidating, but it is all we have right now and we need to embrace the fact that the Search Team and Rev. Bob have put and continue to put so much time and effort into meeting with us all. The dedication and commitment our Search Team has given to UUTC is absolutely phenomenal and most greatly appreciated.



I am so excited for everyone to meet Rev. Bob! I have had several conversations with him and can tell you that every time I hang up the phone or disconnect from a Zoom meeting I feel energized and excited that he is our Settled Minister Candidate. He is definitely a “people-person” with a very optimistic and peaceful approach that I greatly appreciate. Rev. Bob will be doing our live FaceBook services for the next two weeks. You will be receiving in the mail a ballot to vote on him being our Settled Minister in the next few days. After hearing his services, please make sure you fill your ballot out, place in the self-addressed stamped envelope which is included in your mailing and mail back to UUTC to be received by May 29. We will tally these ballots and announce the outcome during the May 31 service. It is essential we have your vote—a high number of returned ballots will give us all confidence in the process!

On Thursday, May 21 we will mail the official ballot to vote for the 2020-21 UUTC Board of Trustees, Nominations Committee and 2020-21 Annual Budget. Once again, we need to have a “quorum” respond so please fill these ballots out and return to us by Monday, June 1. We will print the results of this vote in the newsletter on Friday, June 5. A reminder - **For the past couple of years, we have offered meetings at UUTC for you to attend to see the proposed budget and ask any questions**



you may have. We want to continue to give you that option so Dave Roberts (Finance Committee) and Gail Meyers (Treasurer) will host two Zoom Budget Meetings. These are scheduled to be on Wednesday, May 20 at 10:00am and Thursday, May 28 at 7:00pm. Remember that you can dial in with just a phone to ask questions and be answered. That number will be sent to you in the notification.

The new front entry doors are in and look awesome!!!!!! I haven't been in the church for an extended amount of time but have been told that the area is much quieter in terms of street noise and

temperature control is MUCH better! And - they are ADA compliant and will please our local Fire Marshall regarding egress. WOW!!!! All of this and they look fantastic, too!!!! This is only one of the improvements that is waiting for us when we do get back to meeting together!!!

I am really looking forward to Rev. Bob's next two services - I hope you all enjoy getting to know him as much as I have. If you would like to learn more about him - please continue to check out his website (with new information weekly) at RevBob2020.com. — Joyce



CHILDREN'S RELIGIOUS EDUCATION UPDATE

Kevin Lausch

Chalice Camp

Our Children's Religious Education program will be continuing in a modified form as we transition into the summer. First the CRE team is looking forward to **TENTATIVELY** (bold and caps) hosting Chalice Camp for kids aged 5 to 10 years old on August 3 to 7. The date of the camp has been moved from June to August to follow the current safety practices and to ensure we can offer a safe camp. As we move through the summer, the CRE team will continue to monitor the status of the virus in our area and heed state and UUA gathering guidelines.

Sunday Morning Book Readings

A Chalice Children's book reading will continue to be available by 9:30 every Sunday morning on the UUTC Facebook page, and you can find older videos on our [Vimeo channel](#). Please share this resource with other families with small children—we will continue to add story readings every week.

Do you have a children's book to suggest for reading, or would you like to be a reader? Please contact [Kevin](#).

Students in Transition

Do you know of a UUTC student who is transitioning out of high school or college? Please send Kevin the person's name and contact info. In the next couple weeks we would like to showcase our students in the newsletter and tell the world about the great things they have accomplished.

Our Whole Lives

The Our Whole Lives sexuality education program has wrapped up its curriculum for this year. Once social distancing began, the 15 youth in the program continued to meet with Kevin and Heather Layton on weekly Zoom meetings to finish the program. We hope to get the group together for a final in-person closing session sometime later in the summer or early fall to officially complete the program.

PPP – A Successful Application

Staff at UUTC can breathe a sign of relief, because our application for [Paycheck Protection Program](#) funds was approved. Over the next 8 weeks, we have “backup funds” to ensure that employees like Sue Gervais, Kevin Lausch, Amy Lander and Eloise Shepard are fully compensated. Childcare staff and classroom teachers are also being compensated at their regular average hours of employment. And our salaried staff don’t have to be concerned about draining our treasury. The documentation process for use of funds will be handled primarily by Treasurer Gail Meyers and Bookkeeper Sue Gervais, with some support from RK. If 75% of these funds are used in the next 8 weeks directly for payroll expenses and utilities, the loan will be forgiven.

Treasurer’s Report for April as of April 30th

Gail Meyers, Treasurer

Operating Fund

	<u>This Month</u>	<u>Year to Date</u>
Income:	\$11,630.33	\$286,090.26
Expenses:	<u>24,157.17</u>	<u>258,729.46</u>
Net:	<u>-\$12,526.84</u>	<u>\$27,360.80</u>
Unrestricted Cash in Fund:	\$41,013.99	
Restricted Reserve Fund:	<u>13,465.58</u>	
Total Available Cash on Hand:	<u>\$54,479.57</u>	

Endowment Fund: \$161,806.10

<u>Other Funds:</u>	<u>Bank Balance</u>	<u>Amount Restricted</u>
Fund 3: Varsity Fund Checking	\$5,923.14	\$0.00
Fund 7: Capital Expenditures	\$8,195.90	\$8,195.90
Fund 8: Gifts and Memorials	\$15,475.00	\$15,475.00
Fund 10: Charitable Giving	\$864.14	
This Month – Childrens Center		\$465.00
Fund 12: Dignity Project	\$8,863.09	\$905.06
Fund 13: Sabbatical Fund:	\$3,366.74	\$0.00

<u>Pledge Campaigns</u>	<u>Committed</u>	<u>Collected</u>	<u>Outstanding</u>
2019/2020	\$253,035.96	\$222,528.73	\$30,507.23
2020/2021	\$270,258.00	\$37,050.00	\$233,208.00

Respectfully, Gail Meyers, [Treasurer](#) 4/30/2020