UPCOMING EVENTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

NO UUFF SUNDAY SERVICE AUGUST 30 – This Sunday we are not going to hold our regular service. Instead, you are encouraged to take this opportunity to attend the service of one of our sibling Cape congregations. Links to the various services will be emailed to you, but feel free to search online for others in the area, or across the country!

PLEASE NOTE: There will NOT be a coffee hour this week. We look forward to having everyone back on Zoom next Sunday for the service and the coffee hour.

TO HEAR THE REST OF THE QUESTIONS SUBMITTED TO REV. DAVID – As promised, Rev. David has recorded himself spontaneously answering the questions that he did not have time to answer during the Sunday, August 9 service. You can hear his answers here: https://uuffm.org/services/question-box-august-9-sermon-recording/

SUMMER KAYAKING – The next trip for the UUFF kayaking group will be on Tuesday, September 1 at 9:15 at Red Brook Harbor/Bassets Island. Red Brook Harbor is a place we go when the tides are against paddling in the marshes. An active harbor, good sailboat-watching, and we get to swim on a gorgeous beach. Sometimes we go around Bassetts Island if the wind is right and we all feel adventurous.

AUCTIONS IN THE TIME OF CORONA – Our major fundraising event is moving to the fall this year (November 20-30, 2020). Please think about items you can contribute to be auctioned or sold in the new “Holiday Bazaar” part of our fundraiser. Look for more details in the Sandscript. We also need volunteers to make this a sustainable success. If you want to help with planning, computer work, delivering items after the fundraiser ends or in other ways, please contact Ellen Todd at admin@uuffm.org.

CRAFTS GROUP – Do you knit? Crochet? Sew? Or do other handiwork? If you’d like to join a Zoom group to socialize while creating small gift items, contact Ellen Todd at admin@uuffm.org. This is a good way to work on items for the upcoming UUFF fall auction or for your own holiday gift-giving. We can share ideas and laughter while being productive. The time and day for meeting will be set based on the schedules of interested people.

FELLOWSHIP TEA & LUNCH MEETINGS – We would love to see more people at these weekly Zoom Tea and Lunch meetings. If you miss seeing people from our Fellowship, if you need some additional structure to your week, or just need to relax and chat with some of our church family, we welcome you to join us. Our conversations have covered many topics including cooking, books, boats, how to cope with the coronavirus, jeeping, health, gardening, politics and more. The virtual Tea is every Tuesday at 4:00 PM, and the Lunch meets every Thursday at noon, except for the second Thursday, which is reserved for Ladies Lunch. Zoom links are published weekly.

FINANCE COMMITTEE SEeks MEMBERS – We are seeking a few people to help us throughout the year. The Financial Committee meets on the second Thursday of each month. We review financial reports; recommend financial policies to the Governing Board, including a review of policies on a 5-year rotation plan; provide the first
draft of the budget to the Board; and organize the annual internal audit. We especially need members who can share in taking the monthly minutes. Contact Ellen Todd at uuffm.org for more information.

GOOD NEWS ABOUT THE ALTERNATIVE GIFT MARKET! The Social Action Committee is happy to announce that the 2020 Alternative Gift Market will NOT be a casualty of Covid-19. The AGM is going VIRTUAL and will be held online November 7-15. More great news--two new sponsoring congregations have been added, bringing the total to nine. The additional congregations, each from Mashpee, are the Mashpee Congregational Church and Christ the King Parish. More AGM 2020 details to follow in the September Sandscript.

GREEN TIPS – Solar panels and mini-split heating/air conditioning units become less expensive and more efficient every year. If you want to reduce your heating emissions and monthly bills, you can save a lot and reduce the greenhouse gas pollution from gas or electricity production. If you are interested, contact Cape Light Compact at 508-375-6644. They are a free service supported by the Commonwealth. Many UU Falmouth members and friends have already installed minis and solar panels at their homes and have significantly reduced their carbon footprint. They are not only reducing their energy costs, but actually making money every year.

MEDICAL AID IN DYING ARTICLE & POLL IN THE BOSTON GLOBE – Last year, UUFF endorsed legislation supporting medical aid in dying that permits terminally ill, competent individuals the option to receive medication from their physician to end their suffering. The Boston Globe has an article and a poll regarding this issue. If you are a supporter of this legislation, please answer “YES” to the poll. (The count is currently 56.76% YES and 43.24% NO—your YES vote is needed!) ~Roger and Cathy Kligler

Here is a link that includes the poll. You may have to be a subscriber to the Boston Globe to be able to get in this way. You can also get in by searching under, “Boston Globe Physician Assisted Suicide bill and poll.” I know it is tedious, but I hope you will make the effort!


THE CONVERSATION - A new Program on Racial Justice. In an effort to open dialogue and work to educate our community on issues of racial justice, Falmouth Community TV is presenting a new series entitled THE CONVERSATION. The inaugural program focuses on two topics, “When you hear Black Lives Matter, what does that mean to you?” and “How and why is this moment different from other periods of change?” The program premiered on August 21 but will be rebroadcast on Channel 13 on Sunday, August 30 at 7:30 AM and 8:00 PM; and Monday, August 31 at 8:00 AM.

MEETINGHOUSE CALENDAR  (Red = Congregation-wide Events)

SUNDAY, August 30
NO Sunday Service-Explore other UU Services

TUESDAY, September 1
1:00 PM Mah Jongg
4:00 PM Membership Committee
4:00 PM Fellowship Tea
7:15 PM Fellowship Group #2

WEDNESDAY, September 2
3:00 PM Partners Grief Support

THURSDAY, September 3
8:00 AM Men’s Breakfast
12:00 PM Fellowship Lunch
5:00 PM Whole Life Learning Cmte.