

# Newsletter of the Universalist Unitarian Church of Halifax

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# This Month's Sunday Services

Universalist Unitarian Church of Halifax 5500 Inglis Street Halifax NS B3H 1J8 Please join us through zoom or Youtube between 10:20 am and 10:30 on Sunday. All services start at 10:30. To join online, use this link: <a href="https://us02web.zoom.us/j/666004431?pwd=RjQvVEtjUjM1MEdnMDgxU0VSRzVLQT09">https://us02web.zoom.us/j/666004431?pwd=RjQvVEtjUjM1MEdnMDgxU0VSRzVLQT09</a>
Meeting ID: 666 004 431 Password: 010670.

902-429-5500 mail@uuchurch.ca uuch.ca You can also watch the service live, or later, on YouTube on our UUCH channel. <a href="https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC3Lw1hW1n7z3mNapa6yY7Jw">https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC3Lw1hW1n7z3mNapa6yY7Jw</a>

Rev. Norm Horofker Minister Cell 902-229-9239 August 1

The Unitarian Fellowship of Peterborough, Rev. Julie Stoneberg "Promises, Promises" — What holds us together? Is it our covenants or our principles?

Jessica Friesen Music Director

August 8

Marie-Claude Leroux Director, Religious Ed for Children & Youth Grand River Unitarian Congregation, Rev. Jess Rodello "Invincibly Young: The Influence and Erasure of Margaret Fuller"

Troy Saulnier President Her Transcendentalist peers, Emerson, Thoreau, Whitman, and Hawthorne are better known — but Margaret Fuller was unique.

Etta Hamm Newsletter Editor Service Leader: Jessica Friesen; Service Assistant: Elinor Eger-Reynolds

Sunday services

August 15
Unitarian Congregation in Mississauga, Rev. Fiona Heath

**"Golden Threads"**— We are deeply connected and interdependent.

Service Leader: Jessica Friesen; Service Assistant: TBD

All are welcome

10:30 am

August 22

Children & Youth Education Unitarian Fellowship of Peterborough, Rev. Julie Stoneberg "The Eighth Principle: What it means and why it matters".

Service Leader: Jessica Friesen; Service Assistant: Pamela Berman



Kingston Unitarian Fellowship, Rev. Beckett Coppola

Service Leader: Jessica Friesen; Service Assistant: Marilyn Shinyei

Our mission is to provide a [joyful] community that nurtures personal and spiritual growth, practices inclusiveness, celebrates diversity and affirms individual and collective commitment to community service and social justice.

# August 2021

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1 10:30 am Service	Natal Day	3	4	5 7–8 pm UUCH online gathering	6	7 3 pm CUC: Youth & Young Adults Forum
8 10:30 am Service	9	10	11	Pride Festival begins  7–8 pm UUCH online gathering	13	14
15 10:30 am Service 5 pm CUC: Connect and Deepen	16	17	18	7-8 pm UUCH online gathering	20	21
10:30 am Service Pride Festival ends	23		Newsletter Deadline	7–8 pm UUCH online gathering	27	28
29 10:30 am Service 1 pm CUC: Leaders Roundtable	30		1			

#### **ATTENDING SUNDAY SERVICES**

At present we are allowed to have up to 50% of our capacity for services. Attendance is therefore still limited to 15 people in the sanctuary. We must also continue social distancing and wearing face masks. This is how we keep everyone safe!

**To attend in person, please pre-register in advance** by contacting Margaret Galbraith at <a href="margalbraith@eastlink.ca">margalbraith@eastlink.ca</a> or 902-835-3767. You will have to answer the COVID protocol health questions when you arrive and give your name to Colin Kerr, who is keeping track of the number of participants.



# Minister's Summer Thoughts

- 1. Wow, August already... I will never be prepared to take full advantage of our short precious summers!
- 2. So thankful for the break! Jessica, John, and Paul with several service assistants are doing a wonderful job with the summer services. I hope you are tuning in. Over the summer you will hear from at least six different ministers and their staffs in congregations from across the country. If you miss a live service, you can find it on our YouTube channel:

https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC3Lw1hW1n7z3mNapa6yY7Jw

- 3. Preparing for travel to Toronto and Milwaukee to see my baby granddaughters. Travel in COVID times is a challenge, especially into the USA.
- 4. Summer elections... issues of such importance to us all: carbon dioxide emission reduction to combat global climate change, affordable housing, health care, and especially mental health care.
- 5. UU Wellspring wrap-up. In mid-July we completed the UU Wellspring program of 18 sessions with eight members of the congregation. This program allowed us to explore Unitarian Universalist sources in a safe place where we could share some of our deepest personal reflections. Watch for your opportunity to join in September.
- 6. Eighth Principle discussions... here is an excellent article from the UU World winter 2019 edition... some summer reading: <a href="https://www.uuworld.org/articles/call-antiracist-commitment">https://www.uuworld.org/articles/call-antiracist-commitment</a>
- 7. I hope everyone can enjoy the summer and come back rested and invigorated and committed for a new church year.
- 8. Thankful for the science of vaccination!

With Love... Norm

## UUCH Board of Directors 2021 - 2022

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## **Church Directory Updates**

New (only) email address

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New (only) phone number

SMITH, Michael 902-707-4211

#### **Newsletter Deadline**



The deadline to submit contributions for the September newsletter is WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 25.

Please send to Etta at <a href="mailto:braeside@eastlink.ca">braeside@eastlink.ca</a>

## **August Notes**

- Rev. Norm Horofker is on a well-deserved vacation until late August.
- Jessica is doing a great job of presenting interesting Sunday services and keeping us informed of them. Thank you, Jessica!
- Marie-Claude—and our kids and youth are out there having fun.
- Stephen is on the job, keeping our building clean and safe. Thank you, Stephen!
- Mike is feeling better each day and keeping our plants at the church healthy and perky.
   Thank you, Mike!
- The Neighbourhood Brunch take-out is on break until September.
- For Halifax Pride Festival events (Aug 12-22)
   look up www.halifaxpride.com/info2021
- Pam Berman is looking for a contributor for the *Why We Belong* column for September. See previous months for the format. *Max 270* words. Please send to bermanpj@gmail.com.
- Do you notice on the left here, and on the calendar, that the newsletter deadline for September is Wednesday, August 25? It is!

## **CUC Online Events**



More information at cuc.ca

## **Youth and Young Adults Forum**

Saturday, August 7, 3 pm (2 hrs)

For UUs ages 14-35. Discuss the 8th Principle and the process for adopting it in Canada. Adults who support youth are welcome to attend as observers.

#### **Connect and Deepen**

Sunday, Aug 15, 5 pm

For meaningful discussion, connection and reflection. Explore spiritual topics within a guided small group. Questions? Please contact your facilitator, Rev. Linda Thomson, Congregational Life Lead – Central/Eastern Region.

#### **Leaders Roundtable**

Sunday, Aug 29, 1 pm (change from 3 pm)
Discuss and ask questions on the 8th Principle process. Please access information link in advance at cuc.ca.

## We are a Community with Open Arms

We are the Universalist Unitarian Church of Halifax, a community of folks in the south end of Halifax, Nova Scotia. We welcome people of all religious traditions, sexual orientations, ages, genders, races or abilities to share the mystery and wonder of life's journey with us!

The congregation participates in ongoing community projects and programs, offers spiritual and social programs to the community, and is involved in global outreach projects.

We are an energetic and socially active group of people who enjoy sharing our joy and nurture with others with whom we share the earth.





Ralph Waldo Emerson