



Champlain Valley Unitarian Universalist Society

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Our Principles

We, the member congregations of the Unitarian Universalist Association, covenant to affirm and promote:

- * The inherent worth and dignity of every person;
- * Justice, equity, and compassion in human relations;
- * Acceptance of one another and encouragement of spiritual growth in our congregations;
- * A free and responsible search for truth and meaning;
- * The right of conscience and the use of the democratic process within our congregations and in society at large;
- * The goal of world community with peace, liberty, and justice for all;
- * Respect for the interdependent web of all existence of which we are a part.



June Worship Services Sundays at 10 am onsite & online Stay for Social Hour in Fellowship Hall

June 2—Welcoming Joy—Rev. Tricia and Rev. Christina lead us in celebrating our congregation at the end of this first year of transition. We'll look to the future, and recognize new members. **Bring a flower** to add to our communal bouquet. We'll share our offering with *Outright VT*.

Followed by **CVUUS Annual Meeting**, our sacred time for conducting business. Rhubarb Festival leftovers may be available for sale and sampling. Please take a flower home as you leave the building.

June 9—Roots and Wings—Mike Greenwood, Ben Long and Gail Borden reflect on our CVUUS history.



June 16— Choir Sunday--Led by Ronnie Romano and the CVUUS Choir. We will share some of our favorite choral pieces from the past 3 years and turn nearly every element of the worship service into song. Come ready to listen and sing! No RE.

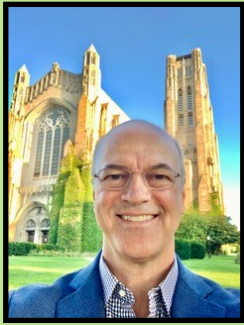


June 23 —UUA GA—There will be NO on-site service at CVUUS, since all are encouraged to stay home to **watch the largest annual gathering of UUs** led by Rev. Molly Housh Gordon, UU Church of Columbia, MO. **This powerful, communal worship experience streams at 1pm.**

June 30—Embodiment as the Ground of Spirituality —Led by Melissa Sallee of **ReinventAbility** with Rev. Tricia. We'll share our offering with NAMI VT for our "5th Sunday."

Coming Up in Summer! More Inside!

Rhubarb Festival, Sat. June 1 (10-2) with pies, savories, dessert crisp café, music, "bling" and (returning!) a book sale. Come early!



Community Ministry: Faith in Motion

“Faith Moves” was the title of the social justice intensive course I just completed during my seminary’s May term. A small group of colleagues and I studied the lives and methods of womanists and civil rights pioneers like Sojourner Truth, Fannie Helen Burroughs, Ella Baker, and Septima Clark. Much about their accomplishments is impressive. But what is probably most impressive to me is the degree to which their faith drove their actions, their actions directly changed lives in their communities, and those changes rippled into waves that became America’s civil rights movement. And for each one of them, it all began with community ministry.

Justice heroes call us to answer the questions, “who are we?” and “what are we for?” As we enter Vermont’s verdant month of June, we Unitarian Universalists will have our annual meetings and General Assembly. Officers will be chosen, and budgets passed in accordance (presumably) with the values and principles that are part of our living tradition. And we will have another season of opportunity to demonstrate who we are and what we are for.

If your spirit is seeking new ways to align your faith with the cause of justice in our community, our community ministry has an ever-expanding list of partners eager to journey together toward creating beloved community. Here is just a sample of opportunities available:

[LGBTQIA+ Recovery Support:](#) We are collaborating with Turning Point of Addison County to facilitate a safe, discrete space for group meetings at CVUUS, and we are creating a list of allies willing to welcome and open/close for what will likely be bi-weekly early evening meetings.

[Advocate for the Declaration of Inclusion:](#) I am working with the “founders” of this important effort that clearly communicates a universal welcome to all. While the majority of Vermont’s municipalities have signed onto this [document](#), numerous smaller towns have not. If you or someone you know lives in Monkton, Waltham, Whiting, Starksboro, New Haven, Addison, or Leicester and you would like to advocate for the declaration, please let me know.

[Foster Care Awareness and Family Support:](#) As with homelessness, Vermont has been experiencing a dramatic increase in the number of kids entering the foster care system. As any of the amazing CVUUS members and friends who bring foster kids into their homes can tell you, more support of all kinds is needed. In addition to direct foster support, we have partnered with DCF to potentially host area “Foster Family Circles” periodically.

If you are interested in hearing more about any of these or other exciting, emerging community ministry opportunities, please don’t hesitate to contact me.

With Love and Light for the Journey, **Tom (communityminister@cvuus.org 802-377-7600)**



Welcome to CVUUS!

Visit us at cvuus.org, FB CVUUSVT, or email office@cvuus.org to follow us.



Arrange access to our spaces

Refer people to arrange for our spaces [here](#). They are well-ventilated and feature **wifi access (1BamaDiva!)** and gender inclusive bathrooms. We adjust the permitted attendance level and masking requirements depending on COVID conditions, so ask the Office when you schedule. [Watch our online calendar](#) for when we are scheduled and when we are available for your small groups or events.

What Are Your Pronouns?

Celebrate gender identity by designating your pronouns on your name tag. Can't find yours? Notify the Office, an usher, greeter or Ginny Ashenfelter. Check the Welcome Table basket in our lobby for collected and blank ones. Contact Poppy Rees about **CVUUS Our Whole Lives (OWL)** which helps youth explore their sexual identity.

Honoring Indigenous People

CVUUS worship opens with a ringing of the bell and saying: *"We recognize that CVUUS gathers on the land of the Western Abenaki people. We respect their spiritual relationship to the land. We hope to learn from them how we can live together in peace and justice."* See cvuus.org

CVUUS Anti-Racism Covenant

"We commit to journey toward spiritual wholeness by working to build a diverse multicultural Beloved Community through our actions that accountably dismantle racism and other oppressions in ourselves and our institutions." Adopted 3.6.23



Rev. Tricia

Rev. Christina

Welcome to Our Ministers

Rev. Tricia Hart (revtricia@cvuus.org) and Rev. Christina Sillari (revchristina@cvuus.org) began in August as part-time contracted ministers to bridge our search for a settled minister and **Tom Morgan** (communityminister@cvuus.org) folds in this spring guided by Rev. Christina.



63rd UUA General Assembly (GA) Love Unites, Stories Ignite Virtual Only, June 20-23, 2024 See uua.org/ga

for an exciting intro video, the program including **Rabbi Julia Watts Besler** as Ware Lecture speaker & view [proposed revision to Article II of the UUA Bylaws](#). Anyone may go.



RELIGIOUS EXPLORATION JUNE 2024

CVUUS CHILDREN, YOUTH AND FAMILIES NEED YOUR HELP

When COVID hit 4 years ago, the RE program was big, thriving, & many people were involved:

- 3 leaders for every RE group (did once/month) plus assistants
- high school Youth Group led by 2 adult facilitators
- RE Council with 5 members: review and visioning of programs for all ages, ran Winter Solstice RE, supported annual RE events (Fall Brunch, Pageant, Easter, RE Sunday, May RE adult recruitment for next year), long range planning for children, youth, families, and RE
- RE Greeters who paid special attention to visiting children and families
- Monthly Parent Night with childcare and dinner
- annual "Great Kid Service" worship done 95% by kids: 40 kids in the last one
- kid choir (led by Poppy) singing in Christmas Pageant and Great Kid Service
- Youth Group service trip to NYC every 2-3 years
- Annual Fall RE Leaders and Assistants Orientation Brunch
- Ideas being worked on: outdoor kid space at CVUUS, revisioning middle school Coming of Age program, kid space in Fellowship Hall

Then we had:

- all-Zoom worship year (kids & RE parents didn't want to come), weekly Poppy RE emails for parents with Time for All Ages video, monthly RE bag deliveries, Zoom Coming of Age (Poppy, Allie) and Zoom Youth Group (Poppy, Abi)
- a year of continued outdoor/delivery support, tiny in-person Anti-Racism RE (no vax yet) (Poppy, Jess Baker-Rouse, & occasional assistants), no worship time for kids due to safety concerns (adult worship happened), Youth Group (Poppy & Jess) OWL 7-8, Will It Waffle
- VAX! More kids & RE choices, OWL 4-6, Ice Cream Social > no Youth Group (no facilitators)
- this year: few more kids, more RE choices, only 3 leaders (& Poppy), original Jet Pig curriculum, RE Solstice returns > no Youth Group (no facilitators).

RE IS STRONG AND WE NEED MORE PEOPLE INVOLVED IN RE. MOSTLY MORE LEADERS.

- Our RE kid and volunteer numbers are similar to UU congregations all over the country. Our kid numbers are actually better than many, for our size. COVID changed a lot in people and church culture. Families are more stretched than ever before and cannot volunteer in the same way. Volunteering numbers have changed everywhere, not just churches.
- **I *love* getting so much direct time with the kids** > AND it means that I don't have the time to do most of the things I did before COVID, especially because all-ages group curricula/plans are harder to create and our commitment to social justice & inclusion means that practically no old UU curricula can be used without major overhauling/editing

**WE NEED MORE LEADERS FOR YOUNGER GROUPS (Bobbi was only group leader for one),
2 YOUTH GROUP FACILITATORS, 2 OWL 4-5 LEADERS, A RE COUNCIL AGAIN**

IF YOU ARE INTERESTED, TALK TO ME ~ Love, Poppy, your Director of Religious Exploration



Social Action Updates



June “Share the Plate” Donee: Outright VT

Outright Vermont has provided support, advocacy, and celebration of young queer people in VT for 20 years since 1989. Founded by a small group of queer adults, a national survey discovered that queer youth were dramatically at higher risks of suicide than their heterosexual peers. **Outright Vermont** has built up programming that now includes:

- **Queer youth spaces**, that host a range of weekly peer-support groups, events, workshops, and more in Burlington, Montpelier, Brattleboro and Middlebury (Friday night 6:30—8 pm at Midd Teen Center)
- **Education & outreach work statewide** for schools, communities, colleges, and organizations looking for support on preventing harassment, dealing with harassment, creating and supporting Queer/ Straight Alliances (QSAs), and more;
- **Annual large scale events for queer youth & the larger queer community** including: over 10 years of queer youth pride, a statewide queer & allied youth summit, *Outright Awards* and more. Being queer means being attracted to anyone, with no regard to a person’s gender or sex. It could mean someone is attracted to more than one gender, or even two genders. Being queer means you like what you like and you accept that your desires are dynamic and open to change. For more, visit outrightvt.org.



NAMI VT, our “5th Sunday donee” supports, educates and advocates to build better lives. More at namivt.org

*Thanks for your continued support of Donations Ministry. Join our team: Jean Terwilliger, Avi Freund. Thanks to all who gave to our May donee **Gather** with whom we will also share some of our Rhubarb Festival proceeds. Track how much we contribute to donees at cvuus.org/justice/sharing-donation-plate/.*

Volunteer & Know You Make a Difference with Your CVUUS Teams



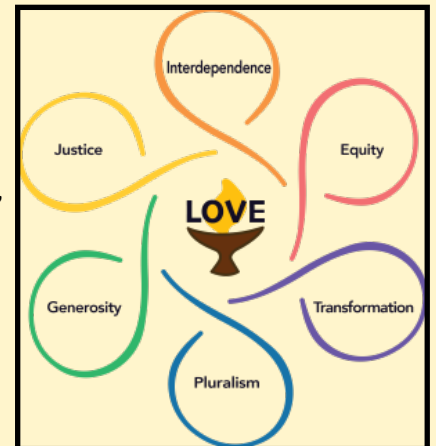
Charter House Meal Prep Teams We make dinner for residents (25-40) every 2nd Monday of month and lunch every Wednesday following that Monday where we also serve the lunch. Sign up [here](#) or see [Alan Moore](#).

Community Meal Prep: Friday Community Supper (free) offers eat-in and continues take out meals at Congregational Church of Middlebury from 5—5:30 pm. CVUUS provides nut-free **baked goods (300 cookies) on FOURTH Friday of month**. We look for 6 bakers 50 items each & occasional meals. Sign up [here](#) or see [Alan Moore](#).



UUA General Assembly Love Unites, Stories Ignite Virtual Only, June 20-23, 2024

In a world filled with division and challenges, the theme for this year's General Assembly is a powerful reminder of the core principles that unite us as Unitarian Universalists.



“Love Unites, Stories Ignite” celebrates the profound impact of love as a binding force that transcends boundaries and fosters connections within our faith community and beyond. Our faith has always been rooted in the power of storytelling, and this year we’ll explore how our stories can ignite change, inspire compassion, and help us build a more just and equitable world. Through storytelling, we share our experiences, our dreams, our struggles, and our triumphs. It is through these stories that we can find common ground, deepening our understanding of one another and the world around us. Anyone may attend; congregation must certify annually to have voting delegates. More at <https://www.uua.org/ga>. Watch an exciting intro video there, register and see the program and items to be discussed and voted on including the final version of the proposed revision to Article II of the UUA Bylaws is now available.



Watch the largest annual gathering of UUs in worship led by Rev. Molly Housh Gordon. This powerful, communal worship experience will stream on Sun June 23 at 1pm ET. A lifelong UU from Tulsa, Oklahoma, the Rev. Molly Housh Gordon is the minister of the UU Church of Columbia, Missouri, where *she is currently suing the state of Missouri for their unconstitutional abortion ban alongside 13 other multi-faith clergy co-plaintiffs.* Molly is passionate about red-state UU ministry, community organizing, and mutual aid. In addition to her ministry and organizing work, Molly is a published essayist and poet completing a Doctor of Ministry in Creative Writing and Public Theology. Alongside her wonderful spouse, she is the delighted parent of two very fierce young children and one very chill old dog. CVUUS won’t have worship on site in sanctuary this morning, hoping you’ll attend. [Stream the Sunday Worship Live](#)

Have You Discovered Our CVUUS LIBRARY ?

CVUUS has several wonderful adult and children’s titles and an [online reading list](#) for finding them. **Catalog:** There’s a link to our [library catalog](#) on the CVUUS website under the “Learning” heading. We’re happy to locate books for you. Arrange with Office or Artley Wolfson awolfson@middlebury.edu. We also have a **library of things**.





CVUUS 15th Annual Rhubarb Festival Sat. June 1, 2024 10 am—2 pm

If it takes a village to raise a child then it takes a community to hold a Rhubarb Festival. Come early!

Get rhubarb Get pre-chopped rhubarb in CVUUS downstairs freezer and fridge to make pies and savories. We'll sell 1.5 lb bundles of stalks to for those wanting fresh rhubarb. Thanks to donators, choppers and Gayle Muenchow for wrangling rhubarb.



Bake pies We'll aiming for 200 pies and offer rhubarb (\$20) and rhubarb/strawberry (\$25) pies. Some gluten free, vegan. Come to pie making events Thur May 30 and Fri May 31 (3-5 and 5-7 pm). Take pies to bake at home and bring back. Sign-up here. Thanks bakers!

Pie Sales Coordinator: Mary Hadley (802-377-2270)

Volunteer Coordinator: Lise Anderson (734-255-3434)

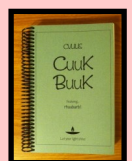
Pie Bee Coordinator: Brett Millier

Rhubarb Café (downstairs) Get rhubarb crisp with Wilcox vanilla ice cream along with assorted non-alcoholic beverages. Bake crisp. Be a server. Thanks to Mike Greenwood



Books (downstairs) Thanks for donating your gently used paperbacks, hardcovers, children's and adult books. \$1 for paper, 5 for \$4. 2\$ for hardcover and 5 for \$7. Kids books \$.50. Everything \$.50 after 1 PM. We'll offer our CUUK BUUK of favorite rhubarb recipes (\$5). Can't find what you're looking for? Head to Ilsley Library Book Sale happening at same time. Thanks to sorters Artley Wolfson, Susie Patterson, Doug Richards, and Lise for oversight.

Bling Thanks for your jewelry, scarves, ties and other accessories for sale. Thanks to Susie Davis Patterson for oversight.



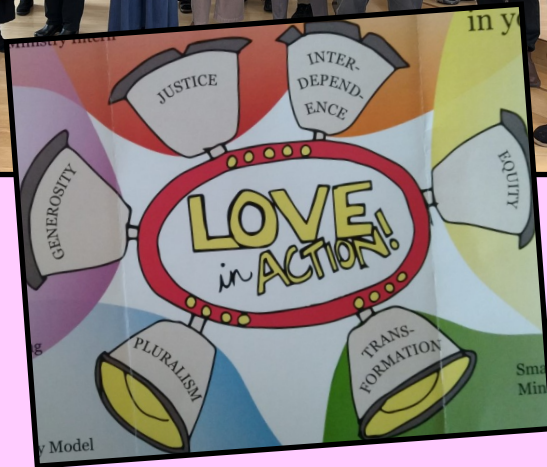
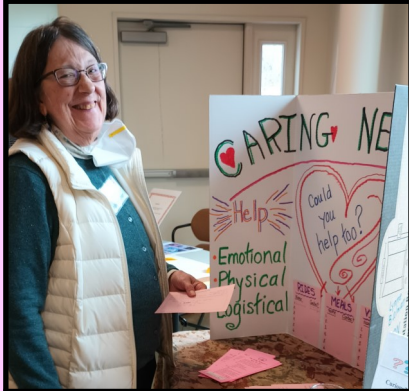
Sweets & Savories Thanks for home kitchen contributions of additional rhubarb items such as jams & jellies & chutneys and MUSTARD, cakes & tarts, cookies & bars, muffins & buns, breads & brownies, sauces & chutney. *We also welcome non-rhubarb ones for sale.* Thanks to donators and Mary Conlon for oversight.

Green Thumb Welcome Tent will be outside where plants have been in past years. This year we'll offer **indoor plants** and **related items**. *No outdoor garden plants* so we don't contribute to the spread of jumping worms (learn here). Thanks for donating healthy houseplants, clean houseplant accessories, clean clay or decorative plant pots, garden implements, and seeds to trade. Thanks to Dinah Smith for oversight.

Music Thanks to Carol Harden & Richard Hopkins and friends for playing on the main level.



How would you like to be involved in our congregational life?



Staying Connected

Sunday Morning Social Hour (~11 am): Join exchanges after worship where we check in with each other.

Weekly Happenings (Wed): Provides pathways for connection with links to our upcoming worships, past services, events. Not getting this weekly email?

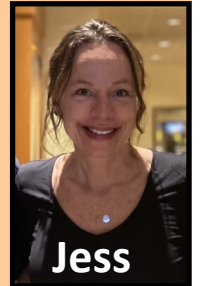
Submit your news & queries to

office@cvuus.org. Our communications assistant Jess Danyow handles this, our website and more on Tues & Thurs afternoons.

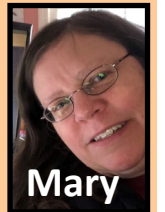
Yellow Card Milestones & Passages: Complete one in the lobby on Sunday morning.

Council of Ministries: Mary Hadley, with Susie Patterson and Louise Cadwell, convenes reps from our ministry groups on 1st Monday of month at 5 PM to brainstorm and update each other in Fellowship Hall.

Need an update on your giving status? Contact our book keeper **Cara Mosier** at fm@cvuus.org or 203-314-3347 on Tuesdays when she works remotely.



Jess



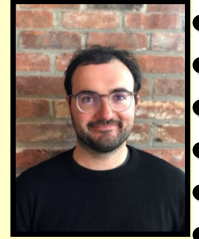
Mary



Cara



Music & Choir: Goodbye from Ronnie



Dear ones, I want to take a moment to reflect on the past three years of service as your Music Director and thank you for everything you have given me. From the moment I arrived at CVUUS, you have inspired me, challenged me to think creatively, and expanded my understanding of worship. Most importantly, you loved me and invited me into your home with open arms.

So let's take stock of what we have accomplished together. First and foremost, we revitalized and grew the CVUUS choir to more than double its size. We found creative ways to sing and be together in community, even in the most isolating times of the pandemic. We began welcoming the House Band to worship services once a month to enliven worship and invite us to consider more contemporary music. We brought back Open Mic Nights and Contra Dances, which have drawn in many new faces from around town and beyond. We have hosted immeasurable numbers of rehearsals in our Sanctuary, including the CVUUS choir, Wellspring Singers, Community Chorus, Opera Company of Middlebury, and many more. We introduced a new monthly Vespers service with contemplative readings and music to offer an alternative style of worship and deepen connections with the Divine. Most importantly, we loved, and our music making always came from a deep place of love.

Although this is a difficult transition because I am moving not far away but just down the street, I am confident and hopeful that we can move through this together in a healthy and meaningful way. I already have ideas for increased musical connections between local faith communities and surely want CVUUS to be a part of my plans. You all have made this next step in my life and career possible, and for that I will be forever grateful.

I am often told that I seem wise beyond my years. Folks seem to expect me to have all of the answers— musical and beyond! I want to take a moment to remind you all that I am a mere 26 years old and have so much left to learn. By serving as your music director these past three years, I have learned a lifetime's worth of knowledge about congregational life which I will quite literally carry with me for the rest of my life. I cannot thank you enough for the gifts you have given me and the deep trust you placed in me from the moment I arrived.

Love always, Ronnie

201-388-4038 (text/call) ronnieromano.com

Celebrating Summer! **World Music Day**

Friday June 21, 4-7, Sanctuary

CSAC's Community Bridges

Program invited us to co-host World Music Day again. This annual event since 1982 is held on the first day of summer as a way to celebrate music and summer. Musicians register to perform at a venue of their choosing at make-musicday.org. Come sing along. Percussion instruments provided.



Explore Small Ministry Groups: A Different Way to Do Church

Small Ministry Groups deepen and broaden personal spiritual growth. A group usually consists of 8-10 members who meet monthly. Each meeting is focused on a spiritual or religious topic. We have **four groups** that meet monthly. Most take off for the summer and resume in Sept. More on what small group ministry is all about at cvuus.org [here](#). To join or form a group, contact Doug Richards (drichard@keuka.edu or 802-989-9387).

Or join one of our affinity groups.



Writers Group meets the second Monday of the month at 3 pm in Fenn Chapel. All welcome. Contact [Bobbi Loney](#) at to be added to list.



CVUUS Sangha & Meditation
You're warmly invited to join us **Sunday evenings at 7 pm** when [Dinah Smith](#) gives guided meditations aimed at those who are new to this or already have a practice. Zoom link [here](#)



Flower Buds Help decorate our sanctuary and Fellowship Hall with seasonal arrangements. Contact [Dinah Smith](#) if you'd like to rotate in or could help with our grounds.

Several helped work on the tiny house designed by Jean Terwilliger built by our Career Center.



Let's Eat Together
Caring Network invites you to come to **Eastview** (off South St next to Porter) on the **4th Tuesday of the month** at noon

to share lunch with them and the many Eastview residents there who are CVUUS members and friends. Bring your own lunch. Beverages provided. Contact [Dale Birdsall](#) with questions or if a ride is needed (377-1322).



Affordable Housing for Addison County YOU CAN HELP EASE THE HOUSING CRISIS Spread the word among your friends,

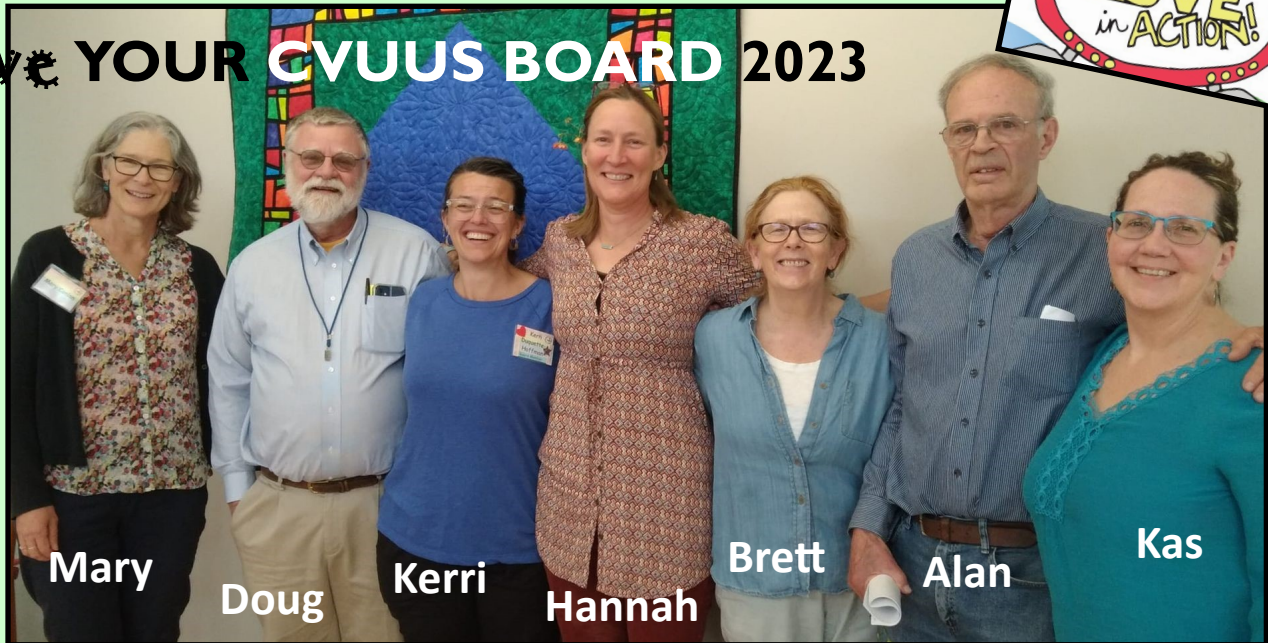
family and neighbors in Addison County. Look for & distribute our new brochure.

- **HomeShare Vermont** See Abi Sessions, Connie Kenna, Ellen Flight & <https://www.homesharevermont.org/>
- **Accessory Dwelling Unit (ADU)** Basic Info: <https://accd.vermont.gov/adu> Addison County Guide: <https://acrpc.org/regional-programs/housing/> See Mike Small.
- **Homes First (Tiny Homes)** <https://homesfirstvt.org/> See Jean Terwilliger.

Addison County Interfaith Affordable Housing Alliance meets the first Monday of the month at 7 pm in Fellowship Hall. See **Mike Greenwood** or **Jean Terwilliger** & [here](#). Learn about these options **Sunday, June 9 at 4 pm** St. Peter's Parish Hall, 85 South Maple Street, Vergennes. We hope to start a new book discussion in the fall and are sharing readings, including insightful clippings from Addison Independent's *Living Together* series.



Love YOUR CVUUS BOARD 2023



THANKS TO OUR HARD WORKING FINANCE TEAM: Mary Conlon, Treasurer; Ann Webster; Alan Moore; Mary Hadley; John Berninghausen; Rich Wolfson

CURRENT YEAR'S HIGHLIGHTS: Huge thanks to the congregation – we made a commitment to limit 24-25 pledge drive to a one-time ask – and the congregation responded! Revs Tricia and Christina hired as part-time contract ministers for 75% time · Assembled a long-term financial health team to study long-term strategies for strengthening CVUUS' stewardship activities and financial health · Engaged with Mark Ewert, stewardship consultant, to re-envision stewardship at CVUUS · Engaged with Paula Cole Jones re. building a culture of inclusion and living into the UUA's 8th principle, which CVUUS adopted as its anti-racism covenant · Hired Jess Danyow to assist with communications · Began a one-year ministerial internship with Tom Morgan · Achieved successful congregational vote to install heat pumps and replace roof (with significant congregant contributions and use of the existing building reserve fund) · Finance team: researched and invested previously-uninvested funds in a Vanguard ESG fund (environmental/social/governance screen, ie. socially-responsible) Finalized a one-page planned giving sheet. Personnel Committee researched best practices and fair compensation guidelines for staff compensation and benefits, including health insurance

NEXT YEAR GOALS Support goals identified in Long-Term Financial Health report · Work on rebuilding Building Reserve Fund – 5-year plan goal: 5% of value of capital assets · Raise awareness and foster planned giving at CVUUS · Assist Personnel Team in reviewing and revising personnel policies and personnel policy manual · Begin developing financial plan to cover the costs of a ministerial search **and more to be presented at our annual meeting Sunday June 2 at 11:30 am. Please come! See proposed budget and supporting documents at cvuus.org.**



SPAM EMAILS & TEXTS Please use caution when opening/reading/responding to both emails and texts to keep yourself safe. Our ministers will never ask you for financial gifts or for our directory.



Laura

We encourage you to report scams to the VT Attorney General: [1-800-649-2424](tel:1-800-649-2424) | ago.cap@vermont.gov

DIRECTORY UPDATE We will no longer be distributing our directory electronically or leaving print copies in the sanctuary. Let the Office know if you'd like a print copy.

BREEZE DATABASE ACCESS COMING SOON CVUUS members and friends will be given permission to access our Breeze database for directory information. You'll be able to update your own contact info and see your financial giving record. We're aiming for June.

CARE FOR PARKING! Our lot is reserved for those who need accessible spots. **CARPOOL!** See Go! VT connectingcommuters.org.



USE OUR OWL! Look for it in Blue Room along with instructions for this aid to hearing and seeing each other better in hybrid zoom meetings. Portable.

CVUUS ZOOM: Ask Laura (388-8080 or office@cvuus.org) how you can request a cvuus zoom meeting. **To "claim host" once you are in:** Click on your name in participants" and scroll down below the list of names and click "claim host" and where it asks for the "host key", put in these 6 numbers: **364568**. Click claim.



CVUUS HOSTS RETREATS & EVENTS

We continue to welcome groups. Watch our online calendar for availability and see our rates at cvuus.org. Schedule with Office Manager Laura Asermily (office@cvuus.org or 802-388-8080)

- Al-Anon** for families and friends of Alcoholics meets weekly on Wednesdays 1:30-2:30 pm in Fenn Chapel, seeks anonymity.
- PEO (Philanthropic Education Organization)** meets on 2nd Thursday of month at 2 pm in Fenn Chapel. Contact Anne Christie 388-4347
- ESL Classes** for Viva el Sabor on Tue & Thur 9-11 am in Blue Room winding down after June 11 for summer. Say hello to them at Mid Summer Market. *"You've always been there for our group, the ESL class and Addison Allies. We couldn't have a better supporter."*
- Rug Hookers** on June 6 & 20 (9:30-12) for a sit and hook and **Quilters** on Sat June 22 (9:30-4). Bring your crafting to us.
- MUHS Graduation Party (Baxter)**, Sat June 8, 12-3, Fellowship, avoid access
- Child Trends Training**, Tues June 18, 9:30-4:30, avoid access
- 3 Flipping Things Get Out the Vote Letter Writing Campaign** on 3rd Wed of month at 7:30-9 pm (June 19). All welcome.
- World Music Day**, Fri June 21, 4-7, Sanctuary. Free. All welcome. Sing along.
- ACORN Network Board**, Mon June 24, 5:15 pm, avoid access.



Kerri Duquette-Hoffman 6/3
 Carol Kulczyk 6/3
 Steven Fidler 6/4
 Roland McGlashan 6/4
 Esther Charlestin 6/9
 Gwendolyn Santerre 6/9

John Stark 6/11
 Richard Hopkins 6/13
 Paul Seward 6/14
 Marnie Wood 6/15
 Ian Ross 6/16
 Sydney Singh 6/17
 Irena Morgan 6/19
 Pam Tingiris 6/19
 JP Rees 6/20

Dale Birdsall 6/21
 Lizzy Mason 6/25
 Charlie Grigg 6/26
 Nathaniel Hutner 6/30



Celebration of Life: Ginny Moser
Sat June 15, 10 am, Sanctuary
Reception to follow at Eastview

Ginny Moser died on May 4, 2024 at Eastview where she resided, surrounded by her family, many of whom attended worship this Sunday.

Marnie Wood recognized her at our service as our dear, longtime CVUUS friend--a voice of caring energy and stable presence. Her smile and gentle demeanor blessed this congregation. As did her strong voice when needed.

Wheel of Life CVUUS commemorates births and deaths. **Milestones and Passages** are shared each Sunday. Submit a "yellow card" found in lobby to the worship leader before worship begins.

Birthdays are celebrated with cake on the third Sunday of the month. *Missing you? Contact office.*



Online Giving <https://cvuus.breezechms.com/give/online> See how to choose options at cvuus.org/connection/donate or by code.



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CVUUS Seasons of Life Fund Commemorate personal milestones and passages through financial gifts to CVUUS that provide extra funds for us to fulfill our work. Thank you for considering this.



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June Worship Services 10 am
in our sanctuary & on Zoom
Followed by Social Hour
Rhubarb Festival Sat. June 1 (10-2)
Annual Meeting Sun. June 2 (11:30)

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