# Friday Flyer – September 8, 2023

## News You Can UUse

From the UU Church of Saco and Biddeford

- **Worship This Week** *Ingathering: We Are Water Protectors*
- Rev. Dr. Lori Whittemore
- Worship at 10:00 AM September 10<sup>th</sup> Bring Water September 10<sup>th</sup>

### **Church Activities This Week:**

o Monday, Sept 4

- Labor Day
- o Wednesday, Sept 6 @ 5:00 PM
- Finance Committee
- o Wednesday, Sept 6 @ 6:00 PM
- Harbour Singers
- o Thursday, Sept 7 @ 6:00 PM Unless indicated otherwise, these activities welcome all members and friends.
  - SBGM Dine Out Ore Nell's BBQ

#### Office Hours

Minister, Rev. Lori Whittemore Administrator, Brian Dustin

By Appointment (email: revlori.uucsb@gmail.com)

Mon-Wed-Fri -8-11 AM

**Caring Needs** – Please contact church office.

### **Upcoming Events and Activities**

### Thoughts from Rev. Lori

Hello Good People,

As we get ready to return to each other this Sunday, let us remember that we are more than social club or a community of similar thinkers. Our ingathering and water communion marks the return to relationship and community and to challenge and to growth. More than comfort, I wish for us challenges that help us question who we are as a community and what our collective call we have to bring to fruition the respect for each other, the respect for the environment, the commitment to democratic process and ultimately to our own spiritual growth. I share words penned by Kenneth Patton:

This house is for the ingathering of nature and human nature. It is a house of friendships, a haven in trouble, and open room for the encouragement of our struggle. It is a house of freedom, quarding the dignity and worth of every person. It offers a platform for the free voice, for declaring, both in times of security and danger, the full and undivided conflict of opinion. It is a house of truth-seeking, where scientists can encourage devotion to their quest, where mystics can abide in community of searchers. It is a house of prophecy, outrunning times past and times present in visions of growth and progress. This house is a cradle for our dreams, the workshop of our common endeavor.

May it be so and may it be so! Peace and Blessings

Rev Lori Whittemore, (she/her/hers) Unitarian Universalist Church of Saco and Biddeford revlori.uucsb@gmail.com • **Discussion:** The BoT's Proposal to Replace Our Boiler – September 17 This conversation will take place in the sanctuary following worship.

#### • FiAT Boiler Information

There has been a great deal of conversation regarding the replacement of our old oil boiler. FiAT has provided links to provide more information. Here is a <u>Side-by-side</u> <u>Comparison</u> with answers to questions various people have posed. Feel free to contact Sonja or Randa or a member of the Board of Trustees if you have further questions.

• Share the Plate – September – Minister's Discretionary Fund In September, we will be sharing our plate collection with the MDF. Half of the plate offering for the month will be earmarked for this fund.

#### Live Stream on YouTube

We are now live streaming our services on YouTube every Sunday at 8:30am
Feeling under the weather? Can't get to church?
Want to join the service from the comfort of your own home?
Join us live at 10:00am every Sunday on our YouTube channel.
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#### Hannaford Cards

Ellie L. will be selling Hannaford Gift Cards in the Parish Hall on Sundays after church. If you buy your groceries with a Hannaford card, the church receives 5%.