

# Friday Flyer – September 27, 2024

## News You Can UUse

From the UU Church of Saco and Biddeford

- **Worship This Week** – *Climate Justice Revival*
- *Rev. Dr. Lori Whittemore*
- **Worship at 10:00 AM – September 29<sup>th</sup>**

- **Church Activities This Week:**

- Sunday, Sept 29 @ 10:00 AM - Worship
- Wednesday, Oct. 2 @ 5:00 PM - *Harbour Singers*
- Wednesday, Oct. 2 @ 5:00 PM - Finance Committee
- Thursday, Sept 26 @ 6:00 PM - SBGM – Dine Out

Unless indicated otherwise, these activities welcome all members and friends.

### Office Hours

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Mon-Wed-Fri –8-11 AM

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

## Upcoming Events and Activities

- **Thoughts from Rev. Lori**

Hello Wonderful People,

This week is our Climate Justice Revival Sunday! We will have an interactive and energizing service! Climate can mean many different things. It can mean a region on earth with specific conditions. It can mean the average course or condition of the weather at a place usually over a period of years as exhibited by temperature, wind velocity, and precipitation. It can also mean the prevailing influence or environmental conditions characterizing a group or period. I believe when the UUA refers to the Climate Justice Revival, they are referring to the 3rd idea about climate. This country has experienced many, many periods of climatic shift. Political, public opinion, cultural, etc. This revival seems to me to be a call to action to turn ourselves as spiritual beings and citizens towards a more just world. By building awareness of what is going on in our communities, we begin to understand our “climate” on a deeper level and can address it with eyes wide open. Join us to explore our climate together and get charged to move this work to the next level!

- **Holiday Fair**

This year’s holiday fair will be on November 23<sup>rd</sup>.

- **Climate Justice Revival: UU the Vote Action Hour**

Writing postcards is one way to make sure potential voters have timely and accurate information to make their vote count. Postcards can reach voters for whom we don’t have phone numbers and/or cannot be reached through door-to-door canvassing.

Pick up a snack and join us in the Parlor right after today’s service. Together we will send 100 postcards to potential voters in Mecklenburg, NC. All are welcome, no experience necessary!

- **The Children's Corner  
Children's Worship:**

Please note that on 9/29 we will be having an Intergenerational Service and there will be no RE class. Families are invited to participate together in the service in the sanctuary!

Next month we will focus on the theme of "deep listening." Our first children's worship in October (10/6) will be led by Myra Robinson who will engage the children in a musical activity.

**Calendar of Upcoming RE and Intergenerational Events:**

**Saturday, 10/19:** We will be having an intergenerational event and will be going apple picking together. I am still firming up the location of the orchard, but will confirm ASAP and announce in upcoming Friday Flyers.

**Sunday, 10/20:** Coffee Hour Hosted by RE

We will be making applesauce and mulled apple cider. If I have enough volunteers we may also bake gluten free mini-muffins. These items will all be served at the after-service coffee hour. I am looking for some extra adults to assist on that day, as we will be responsible for setting up, serving, and cleaning up coffee hour.

**Sunday, 10/27:** There will be another Intergenerational Service, where we will not have RE, but children are invited into the sanctuary to participate in the service. There will be opportunities for families to participate through lighting the chalice and collecting the offertory.

**Sunday 12/15:** Coffee Hour Hosted by RE. We will be decorating gluten free holiday cookies and making hot chocolate to share during the coffee hour. I am looking for some extra adults to assist on that day, as we will be responsible for setting up, serving, and cleaning up coffee hour.

**SAVE THE DATE:**

**Saturday, 12/7, 4-7p:** Intergenerational Holiday Party – Game Olympics hosted by the Unplugged Arcade. More details forthcoming!

- **Share the Plate – September – Seeds of Hope**

Seeds of Hope Neighborhood Center partners with our local communities and neighbors to find solutions to poverty and to promote personal growth. They have a drop-in center for folks experiencing homelessness. They help folks access vaccines, complete MaineCare registration, get HIV testing and find help for treatment and support for substance use disorder. Seeds of Hope also convenes local people and organizations to work on the root causes of homelessness and find ways forward to combating it in our community. To learn more about Seeds Of Hope please visit <https://seedsofhope4me.org/who-we-are/>.

- **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%.