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Up-coming Sunday Services

10:30 am in person and via zoom

While the pandemic continues its own progress and the government has decided to discontinue regulations to attempt to address it, the Fellowship has decided to have our own plan for living with CoViD. These plans were adopted March 14, 2022 and are subject to change without notice as things develop.

Objective: To have indoor and outdoor Sunday services while keeping in mind that many of our Fellowship members are seniors, people who are immunocompromised and/or people too young to be given the vaccine against COVID and therefore at a higher risk of contacting the COVID virus.

Given that our service space does not allow social distancing, we ask that people attending in-person services do the following:

VACCINATION: for the time being we ask that people attending in-person services be double vaccinated and have a booster shot. Service can be accessed through ZOOM for those unable to attend in-person.

MASKS: are optional, but we advise wearing them while moving about in the building.

SINGING: is permitted

COVID SYMPTOMS: If you have any potential covid symptoms, please attend service from your home by ZOOM.

The Sunday Services Committee is grateful for the wonderful guest speakers from both inside and outside our Fellowship during this difficult time. Contact the chair of the membership committee, Membership@UFF.ca, to be

added to the mailing list and receive timely reminders of service topics and zoom information.

September 25th Mabon

Service Leader: Tony Fitzgerald

The second harvest festival is celebrated on the days surrounding the Autumnal equinox. We'll look at this festival and some of the associated, not necessarily seasonal, traditions. Our 4th principle is inherent here: A free and responsible search for truth and meaning.

October 2nd Looking for Joy

Service Leader: Janet Crawford

An opportunity to discuss a cheerful subject. What is Joy? How do you find joy, and where? What has brought special joy to your life, your work, or your spiritual experience? This will be an interactive service where discussion is led by Janet.

October 9th Deciding Not to Belong - a sermon by Rev. Julie Stoneberg

Service Presenter: Heather Lunergan

Rev. Stoneberg asks if you've ever sacrificed your integrity for belonging, which suggests that sometimes we might do all manner of bending... of our values, of identity, of comfort... in order to feel we belong. I suppose today's message asks the inverse... have you ever been willing to sacrifice belonging for integrity? Our 4th principle is inherent here: A free and responsible search for truth and meaning.

October 16th

Unfortunately, our scheduled speaker is not available, so we will be organizing the service for that day after Touchstone is published. Watch for details soon, by email or on facebook.

October 23rd Health Care and Advocacy

Speaker: Dr. Sara Davidson

Service Leader: Amber Langevin

Dr. Sara Davidson is a family physician at the Fredericton Downtown Community Health Centre, and Medical Director at River Stone Recovery Centre. She is an advocate for people who experience barriers to housing, social and economic inclusion due to mental health issues including substance use disorder. In principle two, we affirm Justice, equity and compassion in human relations

October 30th TBA - Watch for details later via email and facebook.

November 6th *Papal Infallibility*

Speaker: Dr. Robin Vose

Service Leader: Heather Lunergan

Dr. Vose teaches History at STU and has recently published a book about the "Index," of material banned by the Catholic Church beginning in the middle ages. He will be speaking about 'Papal Infallibility.' His talk refers to our 5th principle; The right of conscience and the use of the democratic process within our congregations and in society at large.



BOOKS BOOKS BOOKS

TONS OF BOOKS

Lots of fiction, philosophy, travel, biography children's, cooking, spirituality, psychology reference.

COME AND BROWSE

Saturday, Oct. 1. 8-12

Unitarian Fellowship

874 York Street

Janet Crawford



Caring Circle

Joys and Concerns

Sincere sympathy to Sylvia, Haifa and all of Malcolm Miller's family and friends on his passing September 21/22. Malcom was a valuable member of our fellowship for many years, serving in many positions and launching many fun projects, from a harmonica group to drama productions.

Needed Urgently

- **Drivers.** We have many members who no longer drive or do not have transportation and very few drivers.
- **Volunteers** to help in various capacities to show each other we care. We also need more members of our committee.

Let our Caring Circle know how you can help.

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Robin Stanley



Unitarian Women's Potluck Gathering

After more than two years of missing our monthly potluck gatherings, we are so happy to be gathering again.

Women's potluck October 14th will be held at TUFF, 874 York Street.

Gather at 6 pm and eat at 6:30.

No planning for the food. We give thanks for whatever is offered.

Topic for evening: Smells - What is your favorite smell and why? Or share a story about a time when a smell triggered a memory.

If you need a drive to the Fellowship, please let me know and I will see if it can be arranged.

Joan Brewer

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The Long Haul

Myles Horton

with Judith and Herbert Kohl

This side of the United States does not get much attention now, so it is good to read about Horton's efforts to make a better and more egalitarian community there and to expand it internationally. His efforts began in 1932 with the Highlander School in Tennessee. It was not a traditional school: adults were invited to discuss common problems, possible solutions and advances beyond the immediate issues. This was done in workshops not classrooms. They went to work on solutions and progress.

The first success was in teaching literacy to African Americans who needed this to be allowed to vote. An important part was sharing the skills to pass this on teaching other groups. The non-traditional teaching methods were used more in a second continuing field: trade union development. Those of us used to lecturing would need a turn around to start with questions, but Horton achieved impressive success. Workshops listened to many answers, discussed them and went on to many achievements. African Americans worked for equality beyond the vote, with Martin Luther King Junior and Horton enthusiastic supporters of each other.

King was aware of another problem Horton discusses: a leader's charisma can shut out the contributions of others. King carefully discussed issues with other members, getting their agreement before he "Martinised" it in a speech. Horton felt he needed to do the same and back out of discussions and even questioning sometimes.

There were problems with politics, particularly when

“Communism” was a forbidden word in much of American society. Houghton felt all needed a voice. This method of solving problems also created difficulties when Horton disagreed with follow-up actions, but as he said, there is a time to withdraw when other leaders and teachers have taken on the basic premises. One of the main aims of Highlander was to create teachers to use the methods in organisations that could take over.

By the end of the book, Horton is travelling round the world, including discussions and questions with organisations seeking equality in rights and economic status in India, South Africa and many other countries. It is not always easy to follow the development of his teaching methods as he describes them bit by bit throughout the book, but definitely worth a try.

Sheila Andrew

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