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December 2017 Newsletter

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## Faith Matters: What does it mean to be People of Hope?

Rev. Joan Montagnes

Every week we end our Sunday service by extinguishing our chalice and we say together:

*“As we extinguish the flame of this chalice,  
may we carry its light with us into the world,  
in the power of peace, faith, justice and love.”*

And the chalice flame goes out.

But, we aren't the kind of church that worships for an hour on Sunday and leaves it at that. We create a connected community and ignite a flame that we can carry into the world.

Here we learn how to treat each other with respect, trust and compassion. We learn to honor each other for exactly who we are. We begin to understand our shortcomings and discover how to heal the broken places. This church is transforming (and when I say that, I mean the church is changing and the church changes us).

When we leave after the service on Sunday, we take the flame of this congregation with us, past coffee hour, past the four stone walls of this building, and out into the larger world. We bring messages of peace, faith, justice and love. We take glad tidings of joy into society. **We are a people of hope.**



**As people of hope, we believe that there are always better ways** for the transformative power of Love to work through us. We believe that we can improve the world one interaction at a time – a smile on the street, a conversation in the grocery line, sharing a story from the past, sharing a meal, or a difficult invitation back into right relationship.

**As people of hope, who believe that everyone and everything is interdependent,** we believe that when there is injustice anywhere there is injustice everywhere. When harm is done, we all need to understand how we participate in, and maintain the system of, the harm. This is especially true for those of us in the dominant culture. The hopeful news is this: the transformative power of Love can work through us. We can change. Systems can change. We can change systems. Stay curious. Stay involved.

**As people of hope, we believe joy is possible.** In fact, joy is a necessary ingredient for Love to be transformative. Change is hard. Revolutions are even harder. Why would you want to join a revolution if you couldn't also have a little fun, sing, dance and play? Revolutions without beauty are short-lived.

**As people of hope, we are packing Bach, Restorative Justice, a Nativity Service, candlelight, Guest at Your Table, an advent spiral, postcards to the Police Commissioner, a Blue Christmas service, the Mitten Tree and a whole lot more** heartfelt healing, joyful justice-making, and festive frivolities into December.

**Let's beckon the winter in with hope.** I wish you all the merriest of holiday seasons.

**Yours in faith and affection, Joan**



## Joys and Sorrows



**We send healing wishes to Dana Gerace** who is recovering from back surgery.

**Lawrence Congdon's family welcomes Carson James Wilcox,** born to his niece Andrea and her fiancé Dave.





## Pulpit Previews



### What does it mean to be a People of Hope? December Worship Schedule 2017

#### **December 3 Hope for the Future The Rev. Joan Montagnes**

We are a people of hope. We believe that the transformative power of Love can always work through in new ways. We believe we can restore and heal broken relationships. It will be difficult, but together we can fulfil our promise of bringing peace, faith and justice to the larger community.

#### **Tuesday, December 5, 7:00 pm Blue Christmas The Rev. Joan Montagnes**

Holidays are traditionally a time of family, laughter and joy. For those of us who are grieving, have a seriously ill loved one, or are just “blue,” the holidays can be a time of painfully mixed emotions and challenge. Come for a gentle service of care and comfort. You are not alone.

#### **December 10 Winter Music Sunday Service – “With Gratitude and Praise” – featuring music of J. S. Bach**

We continue our 6-year presentation of Bach’s Christmas Oratorio, with Part 4. Dan will conduct the Choir, Su Lee, and a chamber orchestra of Buffalo’s top professional musicians in a program that will also include other of Bach’s sacred works.

#### **December 17 Finding Hope The Rev. Joan Montagnes**

When Pandora opened the box given to her by Zeus, all the evils of the world escaped and filled our lives. But, when Pandora looked deeper inside, there, at the bottom of the box, she found Hope.

### **CHRISTMAS EVE SERVICES**

#### **December 24, 10:30 am Nativity Pageant Sarah Martin**

We will celebrate the season with a newly-imagined nativity pageant, applying the theme of Restorative Justice to the circumstances surrounding the birth of Jesus. Everyone is welcome to be a part of this interactive pageant.

#### **December 24, 7:00 pm A Mulling of Lessons and Carols The Rev. Joan Montagnes**

A traditional service of lessons and carols for the whole family. Celebrate with readings, music and stories.

#### **December 24, 11:00 pm Christmas Vigil Candlelight Service The Rev. Joan Montagnes**

Our traditional service of lessons and carols, with Dan, Su Lee, and our Choir.

#### **December 31 Hope Over Troubled Waters Julie Taylor**

In the past year we’ve been faced with many troubled waters. Many of us have been navigating difficult family relationships, defining personal parameters of integrity, speaking out to impact change, and taking action to make a difference. Having hope means understanding every nuance, every eddy, every danger of the troubled waters and still maintaining the conviction that one day, the waters will calm.



## December Events

Sarah Martin, Director of Religious Education

### Family Holiday Events

December is finally here. Our month of Hope... and activity! We have a very busy month in store, with something for everyone. I hope you will be able to join us.

#### **Saturday, December 2 – Advent Spiral**

This year we will once again host two Advent Spirals in the Parish Hall, at 4:00 pm and 6:00 pm. Though the earlier spiral is geared toward active families, all ages are welcome at both events. This lovely, contemplative event takes place in a darkened Parish Hall, where families will be invited one at a time to walk the spiral of evergreen boughs and bring light from its center into the spiral itself. We hope you'll be able to join us on this very special evening.



We are especially looking for volunteers to help clean up around 7:00 pm, after the second spiral. Please email Sarah Martin at [lifespan@buffalouu.org](mailto:lifespan@buffalouu.org) if you are available to help!

#### **Friday, December 15 – Santa Potluck**

It's that time of year again! Our annual Santa potluck will begin at 5:30 pm in the Parish Hall. Bring a dish to pass and your holiday spirit. After dinner there will be carols and a visit from Santa Claus himself! We'll also have crafts and activities. All are welcome.

#### **Sunday, December 17 – Mitten Tree**

During the service on December 17, we welcome donations of mittens, scarves, and hats to be sent to Journey's End to help keep Buffalo's refugee families warm this winter. Also, don't forget to return your Guest at Your Table boxes on this day.

#### **Sunday, December 24 – Nativity Pageant**

At the 10:30 am service on Christmas Eve, we will celebrate the season with a newly imagined nativity pageant. There will be parts for those who want to rehearse a few times before hand (rehearsal dates and times TBA), and plenty of parts for those who want to jump in and participate on the spot! Everyone is welcome to be a part of this interactive pageant.

#### **Sunday, December 31 – New Year's Eve Early Ball Drop**

Last year we had so much fun in the Parish Hall with our New Year's Eve party that we decided to do it again! Join us from 4:00 - 6:00 pm for a potluck dinner, games, and an early countdown to the ball drop! All are welcome. This is a great activity for families with children who may not make it until midnight.

## Adult Faith Development

To register for any of our AFD classes, pick up a form on Sunday morning at the Religious Education table, or click here: <https://goo.gl/forms/etWwmHI9zrXFK9Bv2>

**Introduction to Unitarian Universalism:** Through tracing your own spiritual journey, you will discover what place you may have in the rich history of Unitarian Universalism. Find out what we are all about in this interactive two-hour course.

**Saturday, December 2, 10 am - 12 pm, Alliance Room**

**Free of Charge**

**Instructors: Julie Taylor and Shaun Doyle**

**You Are Here:** Due to several scheduling conflicts, our depression support group is canceled for Friday, December 1 and Friday, December 15. **Instead, please join us on Friday, December 8 from 6:00 - 7:30 pm** in the Marge Gardner Meeting Room for this group-led support experience, centered around Jenny Lawson's wonderful "You Are Here" coloring book.

### **December 14 Women's Society Luncheon** **Michele Costa performs "speak" and "Butterfly Sky"**

**This December's traditional theatreFiguren/Michele Costa performance will feature two short pieces.**

**"speak"** – "mask, music, moving paintings and three compelling speeches weave themselves into a dream from which the waking is truly an awakening. The relevance of Charlie Chaplin's final speech in *The Great Dictator* and Carl Sagan's *Pale Blue Dot* to today is chilling. Annie Dillard's prose on identity and imperfection brings this story even closer to the heart — an inspiring exploration of Self and our place in the world."

**The second piece that Michele will perform is "Butterfly Sky"** – "Paintings, movement and music create a lyrical homage to the Civil Rights Act of 1962, Dr. King and all those who dream of equality."



**Before the performance, refreshments will be available** from 11:00 - 11:30 am (\$3 donation)

**Michele's performance** – 11:30 am - 12:30 pm

**A catered lunch will be served** at 12:30 pm

**UUCB Women's Society members - \$15; non-members \$20. For the performance alone \$5 for non-members.** No reservations are necessary. Lunch may be paid for after the church services on December 3 and December 10 or by mailing a check to: Church Office, Unitarian - Universalist Church of Buffalo, 695 Elmwood Avenue, Buffalo, NY 14222. Write "Women's Society Dec. Luncheon" on the check's memo line. The check must be received in the Church Office by noon on Friday, December 8.

# December 2017 Music Notes

Daniel Bassin, Music Director



## Winter Music Sunday Service – December 10

### ***“With Gratitude and Praise” – J.S. Bach’s Christmas Oratorio, Part IV***

Our annual Winter Music Sunday service continues on to Part 4 in our six-year cycle of Johann Sebastian Bach’s immortal “*Christmas Oratorio*”. Through this series, we seek to celebrate the rich Bach performance tradition of our church, and also the timelessness, universality, and communicative power of great music.

Bach’s six-part cycle expands over nearly three hours of music, commemorating the various festivals of the Christmas Season, and in Part IV we experience a pastoral celebration of the new year. **The service will also feature hymns, readings, and highlight the UUCB Choir in two additional sacred choruses by Bach.**



## Music Notes – December 2017

As we enter into December each year, our Music Program turns its focus to two of the crown jewels of our church year: Winter Music Sunday and our candlelit Christmas Eve service. And, although only a few months into our Choir Season, this month’s Soul Matters question – ***What Does It Mean to Be a Community of Hope?*** – invites us to be introspective.

Starting with the service on **December 3** we’ll hear a true choir favorite, Dr. Ysaye Barnwell’s anthem, “***Hope***”, alongside selections from American maverick composer Lou Harrison’s “***Organ Concerto with Percussion***” (a preview from **Su Lee’s upcoming recital Friday, December 8 at 7:30 pm at UB’s Lippes Hall**). This service will feature guest percussionist Stephen Lattimore, joining Su, before collaborating with our in-house cornette-and-piano duo and alto soloist Helen Lowry in a special rendition of John Coltrane’s “***After the Rain***”.

The music then continues to our **Winter Music Sunday** service on **December 10**. There, we will continue to Part IV of J.S. Bach’s “***Christmas Oratorio***” – marking the half-way point of our six-year survey of this immortal masterpiece, and also celebrating the more than 50 year tradition of great Bach performances at UUCB.

Falling between Music Sunday and Christmas Eve, the service on **December 17** will feature instrumental and solo performances.

**We also have the opportunity this year to gather for church on both Christmas Eve and New Year’s Eve.** All three services on **Sunday, December 24** (including a **Nativity Pageant at 10:30 am, and Family Vigil at 7:00 pm**) will feature inspiring seasonal music, building towards our annual **Candlelit Christmas Eve service at 11:00 pm**, featuring **Lessons and Carols** with our beloved **UUCB Choir**. Finally, on **Sunday, December 31** will be led by Julie Taylor, and feature both “***Bridge Over Troubled Water***” and the first-ever performance of an old song setting by our Music Director.

## Beyond the Hedge Denomination and Interfaith Connections Sharon Walker

Your Search for Truth and Meaning Begins Here



Our **holiday guide** is now available!

Check out this great resource for gift ideas for all of your loved ones. From inspiration titles and children's books to unique UU items and jewelry, it's all here! Free standard shipping on orders

of \$50 or more (within the US) is also available now through December 15. Your purchase from inSpirit contributes directly to the work of the Unitarian Universalist Association—**thank you, and happy holidays from all of us at the bookstore!**



### *Save the Date(s)!*

**February 24, 2018**

**The Unitarian Universalists of WNY Cluster and the UUCB Racial Justice Ministry Team will sponsor a one-day conference with Kenny Wiley.** Kenny is a co-founder of the Black Lives of Unitarian Universalism (BLUU). [BLUU provides information resources and support for Black Unitarian Universalists and works to expand the role and visibility of Black UUs within our faith.] From Kenny's online Bio reads: "a lifelong Unitarian Universalist from Houston, Texas, lives in Denver, Colorado, where he works as the Director of Faith Formation at Prairie UU Church. He works for UU World magazine as a senior editor, and is part of the Black Lives Matter 5280 core organizing team. He also loves to play ultimate frisbee, root for his beloved Missouri Tigers women's basketball and football teams, and enjoys losing games of Uno, Bingo, and Connect Four." It is such an honor and privilege to have Kenny here. The theme and workshop topics are not available at the time of this submission, but will be announced soon.



**February 25, 2018**

**Mr. Wiley will be the guest speaker** at our 10:30 am Sunday Service.

June 20-24, 2018, Kansas City, MO



## “All Are Called”

**“Grounded in a deep belief that we are all prophets, Unitarian Universalists ask, ‘How can we faithfully meet the demands of our time?’** The call to witness and act for justice in our society and in the world is clear. So, too, is the call to examine our structures and practices, dismantling and transforming those which fail to recognize the full humanity of all people and to honor the interdependent web of life. Join us in Kansas City as we dive deeply into questions of mission for our Unitarian Universalist Association, for our congregations and communities, and for each of us as individuals. Together, we’ll ask:

**Who and how are we called** to be at this time, individually and collectively?

**How are we called** to act and to live?

**How does our Unitarian Universalist legacy strengthen us** in living out our mission? In what ways does our legacy present challenges and impediments to answering our call?

**The call of our faith has a place for each of us.** Join us in Kansas City to build courageous, collective leadership with tools, skills and connections.”



## Caring for One Another

### The Pastoral Care and Support Team

**As a church community one of our mutual responsibilities is to look after one another** in time of joy as well as in time of sorrow or concern. How do we care for one another in this church? Sometimes our caring for one another is clearly visible at other times it goes on outside our vision.

**There are several ways that we accomplish this caring for one another.** First, there is informal channels, choir members quietly giving rides to other members, or covenant group members calling each other if one is sick. Churches need these informal networks to weave a web of caring but they also need more.

**Here at the Unitarian Universalist Church of Buffalo we have several more formal ways we care for one another.** They often start with Reverend Joan as a point person. She leads a small group of Lay Pastoral Ministers whose pictures are on the wall in the Parish Hall. These individuals contact and visit members who might be ill, anticipating surgery, dealing with family death or perhaps welcoming a new baby into the family. There are many situations like these where a contact with a caring church member can be comforting and valued.

**Along with the Lay Pastoral Ministers, Reverend Joan has created a "Good For" list.** This is a list of members who are willing to help out other members, perhaps with a meal, a ride or doing chores around the house. Everyone is encouraged to put themselves on that list, offered to others.

**The Pastoral Care and Support Team is another group** of folks keeping track of members who have experienced Joys and Sorrows/Concerns. On Sundays this group staffs the tables at both the Parish Hall entrance and the Ferry Street door. On each table are cards that can be filled out to let the congregation know of your specific joy or sorrow. These cards are read during the Pastoral Prayer. There is also a large candle on the table with smaller candles that people can light as a tangible symbol of their private thoughts.

**The Pastoral Care and Support Team also sends cards to members** who are experiencing joys or sorrows/concerns. They send get well wishes, sympathy cards, congratulatory cards and other cards as life occurs. This group also sends cards at holiday time to members who typically are not able to attend services or otherwise are struggling. A reminder that they are still valued members of the community even when they are not present.

**The key to weaving this web of caring is to let people know when you are experiencing difficult times** in your life or are experiencing joys and triumphs. Let your church care for you. Let Reverend Joan know.



## Universal Access and Inclusion Ministry

As a follow-up to Eli Clare's February 2017 pulpit talk about accessibility and inclusion, the UUCB Universal Access and Inclusion Ministry hosted three Wednesday evening discussion groups this October about Eli's book *"Brilliant Imperfection: Grappling with Cure"*.

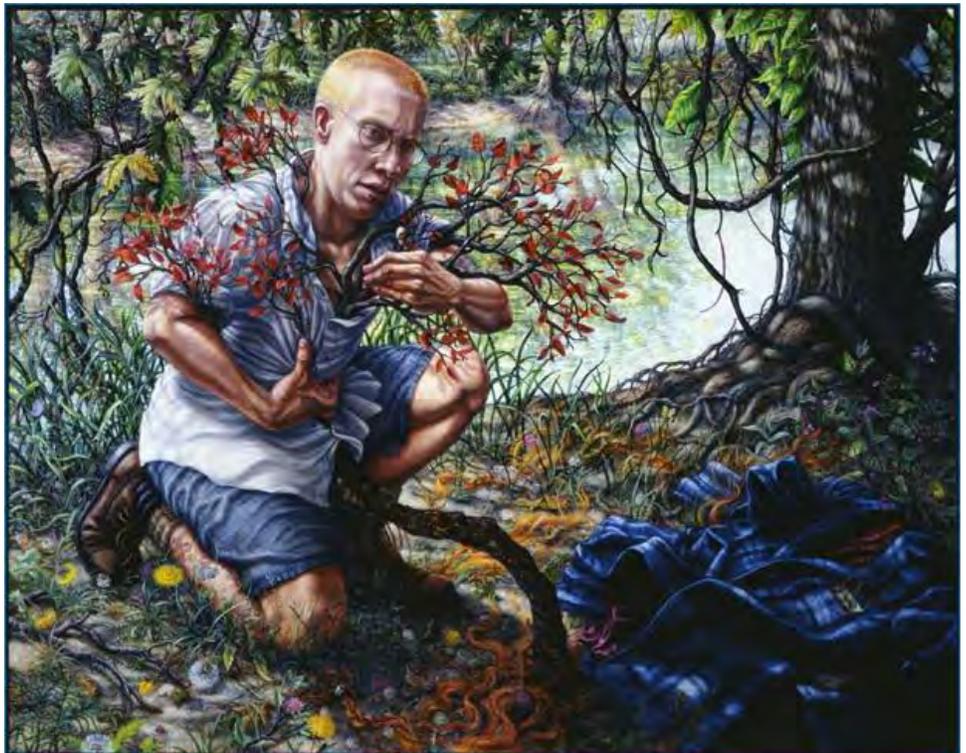
One participant said that one of the important insights she came away with was, *"If you want an improved outcome and happiness in your life, then self-acceptance is better than struggling to reach a societal norm of cure which not only is unattainable but endlessly damaging."*

Another participant explained, *"It would be nice if we could embrace our imperfections and see them for being brilliant to guide us through life instead of trying to overcome our imperfections. I spent my lifetime trying to be as good as my friends/coworkers to no avail. Just made me more frustrated. Eli and the group confirmed for me that others embrace their imperfections like I try to (My identity would be 90% gone if my disability vanished)."*

One last participant observation, *"By pairing the words "brilliant" and "imperfection", Eli challenged me to reconsider the concepts of cure, natural and normal. The experiences and insights that were shared during our book discussions tied these abstract concepts to real life. As a result, I have fewer clear answers and more questions - always a good thing."*

The discussions included a shared simple supper, which worked out well, and seemed to add to the sharing among participants about their experiences reading the book and what it meant to them in their lives. We laughed and talked and even got teary a few times as we learned about some of the things group members and their families and friends have gone through related to "cure".

We all agreed that *"Brilliant Imperfection: Grappling with Cure"*, as Eli says in the introduction, is a mosaic, with recurring themes related to cure intersecting in various ways throughout the ten chapters of the book. We used a simple chapter-by-chapter discussion guide with discussion questions. As a couple of participants laughingly remarked, it was a "book group" that actually talked about the book! It was also fun and community-building!



Portrait of Eli Clare by Riva Lehrer

The UUCB Access and Inclusion Ministry looks forward to hosting more events in 2018 and looks forward to getting more UUCB members involved.

## Social Action Sunday Events Ministry Team Liz Parke, Chair

Our SASE (pronounced “sassy”) events have gotten off to a strong start.

In October, 16 people each spent two hours providing voter registration forms and ballot information to hundreds of our neighbors on Elmwood Avenue. In one two-hour shift, all but 7 of the 84 people who passed the table stopped to talk about voting, and 4 took registration forms.

In November, most of the congregation took advantage of the opportunity to learn about the work of our partners at VOICE Buffalo and how to get involved in that work. At the same time, 9 church members were trained to survey poll sites to see how accessible they are to all voters – from getting into the building to casting a vote.

**What’s Next – In December, we will turn our attention to Restorative Justice.** Please stop by the SASE table after church on Sunday, December 3 to write post cards to encourage the Buffalo Police Commissioner to understand that his job needs to expand to include Restorative Justice. If you come to church on Christmas morning (it’s a Sunday this year), you can see how the little town of Bethlehem uses Restorative Justice to help the innkeeper return to beloved community.



**Thanks to all who have taken advantage of these opportunities.** And we encourage everyone to keep watching for more opportunities. Over the course of this year, I hope we can offer something for everyone.

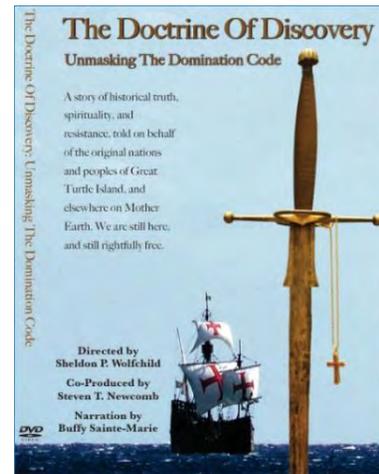
**Liz Parke, SASE Ministry Team Chair**

## Racial Justice Ministry Team “Doctrine of Discovery”

The Racial Justice Ministry Team invites you to mark your calendars for **Sunday January 14 – 12:30 - 2:30 pm, UUCB**

### “Doctrine of Discovery – Unmasking the Domination Code”

**Documentary film, followed by discussion.**



**Dakota filmmaker Sheldon Wolfchild's compelling documentary** is premised on “*Pagans in the Promised Land: Decoding the Doctrine of Christian Discovery*”, a book based on two decades of research by Shawnee/Lenape scholar Steven T. Newcomb. The film tells the story of how little-known Vatican documents of the fifteenth century resulted in a tragic global momentum of domination and dehumanization [read: racism]. This led to law systems in the United States and Canada and elsewhere in the world that are still being used against Original Nations and Peoples to this day.

**The “Black Lives Matter” sign/banner was approved by the UUCB Board at their October meeting.** 90 people signed our request for “signatures in support” at the October 22 Opportunity Faire. A team of representatives from RJMT, Fixed Assets and Historic Preservation are currently working with Rev. Joan on an implementation solution.

## Share the Plate

**December's Share the Plate recipient is Open Buffalo.** Open Buffalo's ambition is major, long-term improvements in justice and equity in the City of Buffalo. Open Buffalo's mission is to create systemic changes leading to an "open" city for residents of Buffalo through the measures of equality, justice, and freedom. Among its major initiatives is restorative justice, bringing neighborhood-based solutions to conflicts in the city of Buffalo.

**Open Buffalo also works to develop capacity and increase the number of skilled change makers** in Buffalo by training residents to mobilize their communities around equity issues and to take on leadership roles in community, nonprofit, and government sectors.



## It's Time to Order Our Poinsettias and Wreaths

**The poinsettias are in 6-1/2 inch pots and come in red, white, or pink. The wreaths are approximately 20 - 22 inches in diameter**, and they are freshly made to our order by Weeks' nursery. Order blanks are available in the church office. **Orders will be taken December 3 in the Parish Hall after service.** Orders must be paid for when they are ordered. The proceeds benefit the church.



**The poinsettias and wreaths will be delivered December 10** in the in the Marge Gardner Lounge.

**An order form has been emailed with this newsletter.**

## Volunteers Needed

### Christmas Eve After-Service Receptions

**Be sure and stay for our reception of cookies, sweets, coffee, cider, and egg nog after each of our evening services.**

**Join in our Christmas Eve festivities by volunteering.** Do you love to bake? Are you overwhelmed with holiday sweets? Donate! Cookies (we always need lots and lots of cookies) or other tasty treats. Do you have an hour or two to help with setup and cleanup? A variety of shifts are available. Please join the "Wild Womyn" covenant group in celebrating the holiday season. For more information email [sharonw447@gmail.com](mailto:sharonw447@gmail.com) with the subject line: Cookies



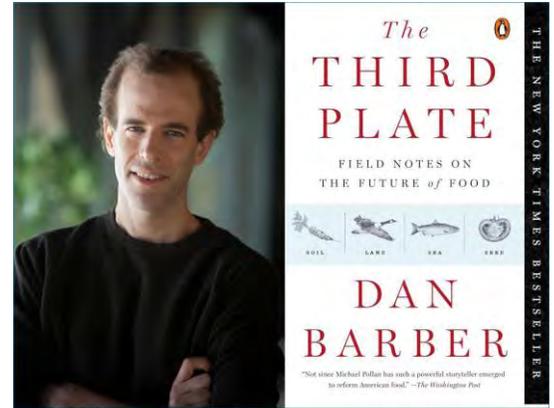
## Savory Words

**Savory Words reading group meets on the first Tuesday of every month at 6:00 pm** at UUCB. The books are chosen by consensus, and everyone is encouraged to bring a snack to share.

Here is a list of dates and the books the group will be discussing for the next two months:

Tuesday, December 5 – ***“The Third Plate: Field Notes on the Future of Food”*** by Dan Barber

Tuesday, January 2, 2018 – ***“The Sellout”*** by Paul Beatty



Any questions, please e-mail John Marohn at [johnmarohn@yahoo.com](mailto:johnmarohn@yahoo.com).

## UUCB Yarnbusters N4KO

**Facilitator: Sharon Walker**

**The group stitches along into its fourth year at our usual time, about 6:30 - 8:00 pm, and place, the Marge Gardner Meeting Room.** In December, we will be meeting on **Tuesday, December 12 only**. We will then take a break for the holidays.

**Please join us again in the New Year on January 9.** This is open to the community. Church membership not required. For more information, email me at [sharonw447@gmail.com](mailto:sharonw447@gmail.com).

### Baby Blankets and Hats for Newborns of UUCB Families

**Knitters and crocheters, looking for a project?** Minister to our families and give the gift of a layette for our newborns and at dedications. Always accepting donations. For more information please email Sharon Walker at [sharonw447@gmail.com](mailto:sharonw447@gmail.com).



## Women's Society Used Book Sale

**UUCB's annual book sale will be held the weekends of April 28 and 29, and May 5 and 6, 2018.** We are now collecting your books, i.e. hardbound and softcover books of all topics, children's and young adult books, art books, puzzles and games, books on CD. Please, no reference books or encyclopedias. If you have questions, contact Joyce Bol at [joukjebol@gmail.com](mailto:joukjebol@gmail.com).



## Job Posting: Administrator for Facilities and Communication

### A message from the Minister

As you are probably aware, we have been working to fill the church's administrative position since Josh Layton left in September. It has not been a simple task.

We have completely re-imagined the administrative functions of the church – we have realigned administration, bookkeeping and finance, into 2 positions.

The Administrator for Facilities and Communication will be responsible for managing the facility and all print and electronic communications. This is a half-time position.

Although we do not encourage members of our congregation to apply for this job, we would like you to see the posting. You might know the perfect candidate! Here it is:

#### Unitarian Universalist Church of Buffalo Administrator of Facilities and Communication

We are looking for a reliable Administrator of Facilities and Communication.

Responsibilities will include: coordinate calendar of all events; oversee all office contractual agreements; direct routine maintenance, repair and replenishment of all church property; manage an Information technology platform that supports the operational and data needs of the organization; and produce congregational print and electronic communications.

#### Minimum Qualifications:

- College degree in public or business administration or associate's degree in building maintenance, or a related field.
- Three – five years' experience in management of complex organizations with significant experience in church, social services agencies, not-for-profits or related field, including financial and property management.
- Proficiency with Windows-based computers and productivity software including word processing, spreadsheets, email and database management.

Hours: Half-time, must work Sunday mornings and be available to work some evenings

Salary range: \$17,000 - \$17,500

Application deadline: 12/14/2017

As we have done away with the Bookkeeper position, we now have an Administrator for Finance who assumes all the bookkeeping and financial administration, as well as the data management for membership and stewardship. This is a full-time job. And the good news is that Donna Sentz, our Bookkeeper, has accepted our offer of employment.

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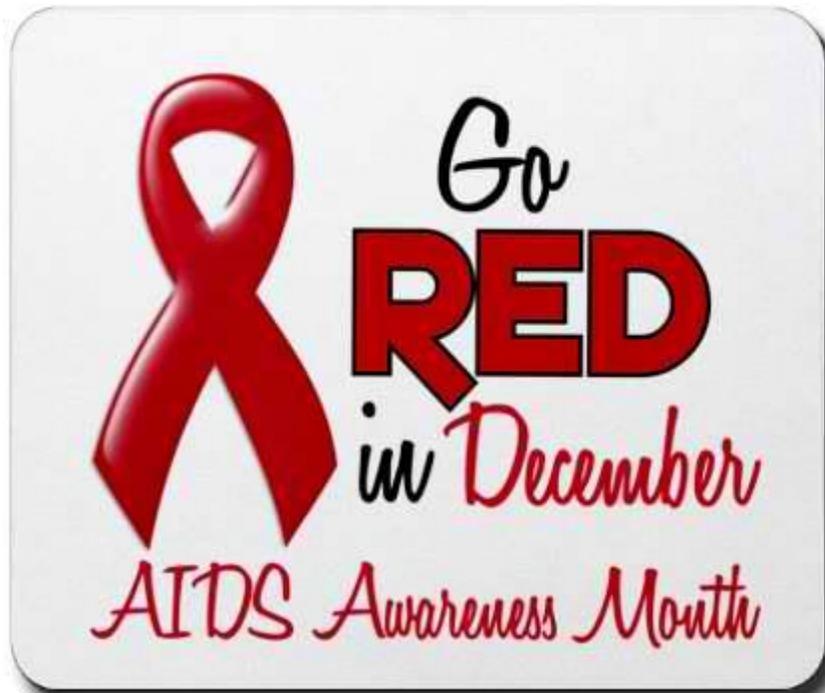
**Unitarian Universalist Church of Buffalo**

**Holiday Music Sunday Service**

**December 10, 2017**

**10:30 am**

**695 Elmwood Ave. @ W. Ferry**



**We gather in loving community ~ inspiring one another ~ to transform ourselves  
to create a more just and compassionate world**

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**A sanctuary on the National Registry of Historic Places**