

September 11, 2023

The Program Council met via Zoom on Monday, September 11, 2023

*After a reading, Tracy gave her Minister's report. She spoke of supporting the Pastoral Care's Cycle of Life program beginning later this month. The conversations to be held to discuss the Article II changes will be scheduled later – all details not settled yet. She will lead a Nature meditation walk at Sylvan Gardens on September 21, if there is interest. She will convene a discussion for the Common Read, again if there is sufficient interest. She will lead a Blue Christmas service at 4PM on December 13.

*All chairs are asked to send their reports ahead of the next meeting so they can be sent to members ahead of time; a reminder will be sent the week before. All groups should make sure their meeting dates are on the UUMH calendar.

*Membership: The welcoming of new members yesterday was lovely. Another round of AED training is in the planning stages. Membership would like to add a list of committees and chairs to the New Member Packets.

*Social Justice: Thank yous from Outreach recipients at Sunday's service were read. October's Outreach will be the LCOC so that money will be available for them to provide food for Thanksgiving. Donna Buckley, Barnstable County Sheriff will be the speaker on October 29.

*Worship: Worship Services Committee should be involved in more than just Sunday services. Suggestions for Sunday services were Betty Trummel on a reading program in Zambia, Margaret Tompsett on her experiences in Nicaragua, and Marcus Hendricks on Indigenous issues.

* Pastoral Care: Program for the fall on Cycles of Life still being worked on. New members are needed for the committee.

*Social Activities: There is a plan to combine several Interest Groups under Social Activities. Could have signups at Coffee Hour to gauge interest. Among the usual interest groups, art would be added to this committee. These groups could set their own schedules and meet when convenient for all those interested

*Outreach: Advertisements and news releases have been sent for Jimmy Tingle and Cycles of Life both to the Chronicle and to the Orpheum for their screen ads. Monthly ads in the Chronicle are being planned for both specific events and for general "advertising" of UUMH and its tenets.

*Liaison: Henceforth there will be a liaison from the Board to the Council. He will carry our plans and concerns back to the Board. The Council Chair will report to the Board often.