

# STARR KING VIEW

Starr King UU Fellowship  
-A Welcoming Congregation-  
April 2021



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## FROM THE NOMINATING COMMITTEE

The Annual Meeting is coming! May 16th is right around the corner, and Starr King is looking for a few good members to serve our beloved community. This year we have been tasked with finding nominees for: two Governing Board members; two Endowment Committee members; and one Nominating Committee member.

If you are interested in filling any of these positions, please contact any one of us as soon as possible. Additionally, members may nominate candidates by presenting to the Nominating Committee a written petition signed by five members of the Fellowship at least three weeks prior to the Annual Meeting. Note: our Bylaws state that, "no one shall be nominated without their prior consent."

In Fellowship,

Danni Simon 608-286-0758

Deedie Kriebel 978-979-9527

Linda Haskins 603-707-0462

## Notice of Annual Meeting

The Annual Meeting for the upcoming fiscal year 2021 will take place on Sunday, May 16 after the service. Due to the Pandemic this meeting will be held virtually. The link will be sent out to all members prior to the meeting.

Items to be voted on at this time:

- Budget for the upcoming year
- By-law changes
- Slate of candidates from the nominating committee

**A quorum is needed so please save the date.**

We look forward to seeing you.

## Sunday Services - April 2021

Live STREAM via ZOOM <https://zoom.us/j/567620881>

### April 4 Emergence

**Rev. Linda Barnes**

In the Christian story, Easter marks the emergence of a new day, a delivery into hope. Join us as we explore this holy day and the enduring triumph of life over loss.

### April 11 From Suffering to Transformation: Making the World All Over Again

**Rev. Linda Barnes**

To be human is to suffer, this is inevitable. What isn't inevitable, is what we do with our collective suffering. How might we take the struggles and the losses of this past year and use them to transform our world for the better?

### April 18 Let Life Take You by the Hand

**Rev. Linda Barnes**

Join us on this Sunday morning to explore the invitations that life offers us, to become something and someone new, over and over again.

### April 25 For the Earth Forever Turning

**Sarah Dan Jones**

We are all a part of the "blue green hills" on this Planet. Come celebrate and honor Earth Day in story, song, chant and prayer. Service will be guided by your program staff: Tatum Barnes and Sarah Dan Jones.

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## Zoom Etiquette

Starr King Fellowship, like so many other organizations, perhaps even your extended family, have adapted to meetings and gatherings held virtually now more than ever. Zoom and other formats have etiquette suggestions that make the experience better for all.

- Location: background should be clean and tidy. You may use a virtual background as well.
- Lighting: any lighting should be in front of you. Close blinds if window is in background.
- Position: camera device should be at eye level and capture from the chest up.
- Noise: mute yourself, unmute to speak. Background noise from any source is amplified.
- Video: turn on as purpose of this format is to connect with others and visual is preferred.
- Appearance: dress appropriately. If you or your device move, it can be embarrassing for all.
- Screenshots: ask permission of participants first and inform all where it will be posted.
- Speaker or gallery view: speaker view is good to focus, gallery view to see others' reactions.

This list has been edited from <https://www.torontonicity.com>

Search "zoom etiquette" for more information.

Smiling, kindness and involvement continues in our fellowship, thanks to a virtual format (and Rev. Linda and many others!) and we are doing as best as we can. With the pandemic and chaos in the world, thank you Zoom.

Jane Clay and the Board

## Do You Wish You Could See a Service You Missed?

Did you know that most Sunday Services are recorded and posted to Vimeo - a cloud-based video platform similar to YouTube? You can view any past service by navigating to our home page [www.starrkingfellowship.org](http://www.starrkingfellowship.org) and scrolling down to the section called "Sundays at Starr King." You can see the most recent Sunday or any past services. The recent Spiritual Journey service was especially soulful and well worth a view.

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## Minster's Newsletter

*Wisdom is the daughter of experience.*

~ Leonardo Da Vinci

*Becoming* is the Soul Matter's theme for April. This past year has me curious about who are becoming. Honestly, I don't feel like the person I was. I think many of us feel this way. At the very least I feel older, more than a year older! My hope is that wisdom will be a consequence of this experience. Perhaps because of this experience, we are becoming something more than we were - more attuned to the earth, more mindful of the racial and economic inequity that haunts our nation, more empathetic. I certainly believe we have a greater understanding that we need each other and we need to be together. My wish is that this *wisdom*, this *daughter of experience*, becomes a greater appreciation for the value of human contact and an invitation to greater compassion, even for ourselves.

But we're not out of this yet, are we? Many are waiting for their first vaccine, or their second dose, or for family and friends to receive their vaccinations. Many of us are experiencing pandemic fatigue. Our willingness to wait is wearing thin, very thin. The trouble with waiting is it often leaves us feeling like we are not living. This brings me to the power of patience. When we are patient, we continue to live while we wait. Patience means we find a willingness to sit better in the ambiguity of not knowing. Patience is letting go of what we really have no power to change. And surely, it won't be for so much longer.

So dear ones, while we wait you and I, let's look for the ways that we can hold off our expectations of opening up just yet. Spring is truly here. Let's go out and recognize the growing sunlight, and emerging plants. Maybe take time to plant something. Try something new, a new hiking trail, read different genre of book or change up music that you listen to. Try a new food or change the routine of your days. Hang on, the end is in sight. In the meantime, let us not fail to live while we wait. See you on Sunday!

In faith and love,  
Rev. Linda

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## Stewardship Committee

Thank you to all our members and friends for a successful Stewardship drive for FY 2022. Your generosity and care have made it possible for us to reach our financial goal! Because of you, our Fellowship has remained strong and vibrant during a year of many challenges. Your pledges for the upcoming fiscal year ensure that this Fellowship will enter more normal times on a strong financial footing, ready to continue our mission to cultivate more love in the world and nurture more love for the world.

If you have not submitted a pledge yet, it is not too late! We are happy to accept your pledge at any time. You can pledge online on our website, or request a printed pledge form to mail from Nancy Chaddock [chaddocknancy@gmail.com](mailto:chaddocknancy@gmail.com).

## President's letter

Spring has finally arrived, the mud and frost heave signs being telltale evidence. Our annual April Fool's service is another milestone leading us into warm weather. Thank you goes out to all who helped make it happen – Paul & Mary Hazelton, Bob Gannett, Bob Clay, Judi Hall, myself, and our wonderful staff: Rev Linda, Sarah Dan and Tatum & Grace from Vermont! I am not quite sure who had more fun, those who participated or those who viewed it! Until next year...

We have so much to look forward to. The Pandemic response team is working on how we will open up safely this fall. We are moving ahead with the installation of the solar panels, more details to come. The Children's Learning Center is in the process of constructing a new building so their plan is to be in their new building this fall. (It will be wonderful to have the full use of our RE space once again!) Vaccinations will be available for all adults who want one by the end of this week. So much to be thankful for!

A reminder that our annual meeting will be on May 16<sup>th</sup> after the service via Zoom. Look for the notice in this edition of the newsletter. Enjoy the warmer weather and the end of mud season. I look forward to being together again.

Mary Crowell

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### Board's Bulletin

- Successful Stewardship Campaign
- 2021 General Assembly
- Solar Array Installation
- Ventilation in Fellowship Building
- Planning Website Redesign
- Gift Acceptance Policy Revisions
- Planning Annual Meeting 5/16/2021
- Revisions to Bylaws, Article 9
- Linda's 2021 Sabbatical, February into May

Reach out to any board member if you have questions or just to discuss further.

### Got Lunch UPDATE

Got Lunch Plymouth will be reporting in more detail in May. For your planning, you will be pleased to know that the program is pleased to have received several very generous grants over the winter as a result of the pandemic, and is well positioned to help our students and families this summer. As the newsletter went to press, we were revising our plans and organizing for the summer. We are so grateful to our faithful volunteers, donors and friends from past years.

Thank you!

Margaret Salt  
Nancy Chaddock

## OUTREACH – April 2021

### Central American Migrant Justice

The Unitarian Universalist Service Committee (UUSC) focuses much of its migrant work on the thousands of Central Americans seeking asylum in the United States. Forced displacement, violence, persecution and the separation of families resulting in vast numbers of unaccompanied children have created a dire situation at the US border. One result is a massive backlog placing many children in facilities that are not appropriate, for unknown lengths of time.

While President Biden's Department of Health and Human Services has ended an agreement with Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) that often resulted in deportation of adults in a family, serious challenges remain. No timeline has been given for restoring asylum processing for adults and families at the border: at this time, the vast majority of asylum seekers are turned away. This denies the opportunity to be heard for those fearing persecution in their home countries, and increases the number of unaccompanied children at the border.

The UUSC partners with organizations in Central America that are providing assistance and direct support to these vulnerable migrants and unaccompanied children. They support programs helping people maintain their safety at home, and advocate for the right to safety on the migrant trail and for justice to migrants once they reach the United States.

Your donation will provide critical assistance to our Central American neighbors dealing with unimaginable challenges. Donations may be sent electronically by using the 'donate' button on the Starr King homepage, or by mailing a check to Starr King UU Fellowship, PO Box 337, Plymouth, NH 03264.

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### Sunday collections from the Starr King website.

The [Donate Here](#) button on the website is found at the top right of the [Starr King UU Fellowship page](#). It is very simple to use, and only requires you to register the first time you use the online donate form. After your registration is submitted, you will receive a welcome email from Simple Church Giving, which also includes a link to our donation page. You are also able to donate directly from the Simple Church app that many of you have on your smart phones.

The donation page form allows you to select the amount you wish to deposit into our virtual collection bowl, and to designate if you would like it to be a recurring donation, or not.

The funds you designate can be drawn from your bank account, or from a credit card account. Either way, *please consider helping to cover the cost of processing electronic donations by clicking on the "Convenience Fee" box when submitting your donation.*



### HANNAFORD CARDS ARE BACK!!

Here's all you need to do to get yours...

- ◆ Email Lisa at [admin@starrkingfellowship.org](mailto:admin@starrkingfellowship.org) with your card request before noon on Thursdays.
- ◆ Every Friday, from 9:00 AM to Noon, you may stop by the Fellowship to drop off your check and pick up your cards! Everything will be done safely and "distantly."

*(If you can't stop by the Fellowship,  
please contact Lisa for possible alternatives.)*

## From your Community Minister

Hello, Starr King members and friends,

Open Democracy is holding a zoom workshop on fair redistricting. I've registered. I hope to see some of you there. The information to register is below.



April 10, 2:00-4:00 PM, Redistricting Forum workshop featuring Ellen Freidin, Fair Districts Florida.

- Defining fair redistricting
- What is gerrymandering & how is it done?
- NH's tangled history with gerrymandering
- What's happening in NH to ensure fair maps in 2021
- How to get involved in the effort for fair, nonpartisan & transparent maps

The event is free, but we want to make sure it gets on your calendar! and you will receive the Zoom info. RSVP by going to the website below.

[https://www.opendemocracynh.org/2021\\_redistricting\\_forum](https://www.opendemocracynh.org/2021_redistricting_forum)

For information on upcoming legislative actions, please sign up for the AFSC (American Friends Service Committee - Quaker) State House Watch [Subscribe here](#)

and/or UUANH's email list <https://www.uuactionnh.org/> either of which get you more up-to-date actions to take for social justice.

Namaste,  
Emily

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This is our post card we shared with our neighbors regarding the installation of the solar array:

An announcement  
from  
**Starr King**  
**Unitarian Universalist**  
**Fellowship**



Hi Neighbor,

Our fellowship is installing a solar array to supply our building with clean energy. The tree removal and construction will begin soon. This is an important project for our fellowship as we aim to live up to our guiding principle of "respect for the interdependent web of all existence of which we are a part." We recognize that this might be noisy and a temporary inconvenience for you. We hope this project is quick and not too disruptive in the neighborhood. We appreciate your patience as we strive to live and model our values.

Sincerely,

Starr King Fellowship

## Soundbites

As I write this, we are in the middle of the Christian Holy Week - a time of transition, grief and renewal. The story plays out in Nature every year as well, and it puts me in mind of our theme of the month: Becoming. Where do we go once the door is opened? What is to become of us?

This is most keenly felt this year. And yet, we are given the opportunity every year to ponder this gift.

In regards to Starr King, I am looking forward to having the choir become one in voice when we can gather again in person. It will be as in other opportunistic seasons: outdoors and safe. But can we become a group that when all are fully vaccinated might sing maskless while still distanced? Can some of our younger folks join in on the outdoor music making? This is a dream and a possibility!

And, what is to become of our online ministry that has been so successful and vibrant? Sure, it has had speed bumps, but there is a need that is being met with grace and dedication. As I stated last month, our fellowship has amazing commitment and I know what we become "will" come in that same spirit.

As I reflect on what last Easter and Spring brought to all of us, I feel a different sense of hope and renewal. Not a call for carelessness, but a cry for change to become a "renewed" people.

Last year, the choir was preparing to sing an anthem called, "Roll Away the Stone." The music by Rev Jason Shelton sets the text of Rev. Gretchen Haley. I sing this chorus now in great humility and hope.

*Roll away the stone, of your hesitant heart  
Roll away the stone, let your light shine  
Turn away from fear, to the promise of love.  
Let this new life begin, as you roll away the stone.*

May it be so.

Sarah Dan



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## Message from the Director of Religious Education

Dear Starr King Fellowship,

I have learned a few things in the nine months I have lived in New England.

Enjoy the foliage while it lasts,  
Never be caught with a snow shovel  
And now - never waste a sunny day.

Looks like we might have one next Sunday ! I would love to invite RE students to an outdoor class at 11:00 AM. RE will continue to meet online on the 11th, 18th and 25th. I'll be taking more time this spring to explore some of the natural areas around Plymouth, and devising more field trips. Feel free to get and touch and share your favorite places and spaces!

Youth Group will be meeting on April 11th and 25th. Our update will be mailed out the first week in April!

With Gratitude,  
Tatum Barnes

## From Your Climate Action Team—

### The Challenges of Recycling

Your Climate Team decided to investigate what goes on at a few of our local transfer stations (hereinafter referred to as “dumps”). That led us to go a bit further afield.

Here are the several items of importance we have uncovered:

Most of the large communities in New Hampshire (like Manchester, Nashua and Portsmouth) have adopted “single-stream” recycling (sometimes referred to as “commingled” or “single-sort”). Many small towns in our state have also adopted this method out of necessity. By population, over half use single stream. It doesn’t require consumers to do sorting before visiting the dump except for the important separation of recyclables from nonrecyclables. The process requires that all items deemed to be recyclable be placed in the same bin which remains mixed at the Dump. A collection truck takes the recyclable mix to a Materials Recovery Facility (MRF) for sorting.

However, based on the number of municipalities in our state, it is reported that the majority require their citizens to sort their recyclables and prepare to place them in separately designated places at the dump. Under this method there are separate bins for paper, glass, plastic, metals, yard waste, and often further separations; for example, cardboard, paper bags, and additional bins for plastic, by color or by the numbering system at their base.

The reasons for adopting method #1 above are usually cost related: it takes fewer employees to oversee the single-stream process, compacting machines are not needed, and the cost for the Town to move the items from the dump to their final destination (known as the “tipping cost”) is usually deemed to be less for #1 than it is for method #2.

The cost for the environment is a different matter and doesn’t often get factored in as it should. One major problem associated with single-stream is increased contamination. In part because employees at the dump are not as present under single stream to supervise where items are placed. Recyclables with food contamination (like, for example, pizza cartons which should often be sorted out as either complete waste or less recyclable (and less valuable) at the dump. In addition, with single-stream glass gets broken and contaminates other items that would ordinarily be recyclable. These contaminated items can’t be separated out at the MRF either so they end up being burned or put into a landfill. Glass separated at the dump and broken there by employees is not an issue because it remains all glass. (After all, it can be fun to break glass and may actually serve some purpose for further processing—not sure!) It may also be the case that when people don’t have to separate and sort among recyclables there is less care taken to keeping those items “clean” before going to the dump.

If a municipality takes its recycling environmental responsibility seriously, it should also keep the rules established with respect to the individual recyclable items if the rules already in place favor the environment. For example, it is currently the case that there is much less dollar value in recycling paper than there used to be when China took much of it for a price. So some towns have decided to remove paper from their list of recyclables. Maybe they will reverse this decision if recycling paper becomes more profitable. Other towns are continuing to recycle paper, regardless of its lower profitability. At least one town we examined

(which, by the way, requires citizens to sort their recyclables), has moved recently to make its paper more valuable to the Town and to the environment by making sure the bin for newsprint doesn't include the advertising insertions and magazines that used to get thrown into that particular pile.

**And here are several important questions that we want to investigate and cover in a future article:**

Where does it all end up? The recyclables and the rest?

What burning goes on in NH? What active landfills do we know about and where are they located? In our towns and/or elsewhere?

Is it true that the actual weight of a recyclable is likely to carry the day in decision making rather than its threat to the environment? Plastics, for example are much lighter than cardboard and glass, but are the most threatening to our environment. But do Town decisions on recycling take the environmental impacts of plastics into account?

Is greater transparency needed to learn what is happening or not happening at our local dumps? We have noted, for example, in going online to seek information about our local dumps, it is often the case that it takes more than a click or two to find it at the Town's website.

What can **we** do in our buying habits to reduce all that must go to the dump?

*Watch this space!* And share with one of our Climate Team members what you might know or have a question about with respect to what we used to simply call the "trash." Our Climate Team members are Nancy Chaddock, Kathy Hillier, Margaret Salt, Suellen Skinner, and Stew Weldon.

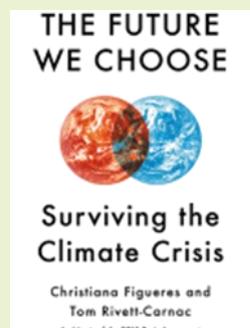
Note: Sources for this article: NH Municipal Association and the Northeast Recycling Council

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***The Future We Choose – Surviving the Climate Crisis***  
by Christiana Figueres and Tom Rivett-Carnac

Book reviewed by Suellen Skinner

The climate crisis book collection at Starr King has many books that explain the climate crisis before us. They provide the facts we need to help us understand the emergency we face. They urge us to action. However, I have wanted something that tells us what we need to do, step by step. This book provides a clear outline of what needs to be done in a clear way, and the authors have the credentials to get our attention. They were the architects of the 2015 Paris Agreement on Climate and they shepherded it through the process successfully after the failure of Copenhagen several years before. They now are trying to guide folks through the implementation process, describing the world we want to create (and the one we want to avoid).



The first steps are personal. We need to take a look at our attitudes, our mindsets. Then they lay about ten actions, and conclude by encouraging us to create a new story for our future – one of hope, of increasing community, resilience, and dramatic social regeneration. In this book, we find a way forward that is built through the practices that are reflected in our UU principles – a society that affirms the value of all life, the importance of community, of living simply, the joy of working together for the common good that also saves the planet.

They leave us with this: When the eyes of our grandchildren look directly into ours and ask us "What did you do?" there is only one answer. "We did everything that was necessary."

## Widening the Circle of Concern Report - March 23, 2021

“The next call to action for racial justice has arrived. My people: Will we answer? The UU White Supremacy Teach-In movement was unprecedented in its scope, and it was just the beginning of a crucial conversation. This conversation has angered some and empowered others. It is, for the first time, **an honest conversation**. What is at stake is the heart and soul of Unitarian Universalism. **We are a people of faith, a faith that demands of us reflection, determination, and a commitment to justice.** Centering the voices of the marginalized will be part of becoming whole as a faith and as a people.”

—Aisha Hauser, accepting the Angus H. MacLean Award, 2018

This was the opening statement for the chapter on “Educating for Liberation”.

During the discussion we talked about **ways to keep this process “alive”** at the Fellowship. Some ideas were; involving the children and youth, bringing in speakers, connecting with local BLM groups and putting up posters showing diversity.

We also talked about **how to bring new people “on board”** with our Black Lives Matter and Anti-racism commitments. Perhaps we could include a time during the new member orientation to explain the journey we have taken as a Fellowship in moving toward dismantling White Supremacy.

The chapter for April is on **“Innovations and Risk-Taking”**. Questions in the chapter include *“Why am I doing this work? What is my motivation?”* It’s a good thing for all of us to think about...

Let me know if you are interested in joining us and I will send you the “link”. We will be meeting at **7:00 PM on Tuesday, April 27th**.

Cindy Spring, facilitator

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## Black Lives Matter Workshop in April to Address Climate Justice

Please join the next Black Lives Matter Workshop – **April 11** - for a discussion of the impacts of climate change for marginalized communities of indigenous and black and brown people. Nancy Chaddock will make a short presentation and lead the discussion which follows.

The Black Lives Matter Workshops meet over zoom from 2:00 to 3:00 PM on the second Sunday of the month. The link can be found on the Starr King Website. Recordings of the previous BLM Workshops can also be find there.

For more information, please contact Cindy Spring at [cspring2@mac.com](mailto:cspring2@mac.com)

## Attend 2021 UU Virtual General Assembly

### REGISTER NOW!

If you haven't registered for Virtual GA 2021 already, there is no better time than right now! Registered attendees are among the first to hear program announcements, such as the Ware Lecturer and featured speakers, and only registered attendees will have access to the **NEW!** GA app (coming soon). So register early to join online discussions, familiarize yourself with the GA schedule, and find your place in our community of communities.

Click here to

[Register Now!](#)

Registration is \$200 per person (and our Endowment Committee is happy to support this!) Last year eleven of us “attended” the first virtual GA. Two sang in the GA Choir and one volunteered as a chat-room monitor. A very different experience than attending in person, but a lot less expensive so accessible to more people and easier on the earth ~

Interested? Want more information? Contact Betty Trought or Cindy Spring

## COVID-19 Prevention for our Fellowship Building: April 2021 update-and Planning for next fall

Your Pandemic safety committee is now planning for our church year beginning in September. We are evaluating air quality and air circulation in our building and how to improve these. We are looking at ways to involve our children and youth safely if they have not yet been vaccinated. By September, all adults age 16 and over will have had access to the vaccine. Unless there is a serious medical issue preventing this, we urge you to get vaccinated, for your safety, and for that of our entire church family.

Also, spring is here, and we can take advantage of spring and summer weather with outdoor, masked meetings at the fellowship.

**Vaccine enrollment in NH is continuing to add categories of eligible people --anyone over 40 is now eligible.** Go to [vaccines.nh.gov](https://vaccines.nh.gov) for more information on when you will qualify, and to register. Sites are scattered around the state, so you can choose one near you.

Again, you are very strongly encouraged to get vaccinated when your turn comes up. Even after getting both doses, we will all need masks and precautions for some time to come as population immunity builds, but in the meantime, the chances of infection should be greatly reduced for those vaccinated.

**In the meantime, while the rate of new infections in New Hampshire is dropping now due to vaccinations, masking and distancing, new more infectious variants of the virus have appeared in our state.** We have to be more careful than ever. Please continue to be vigilant, both within our Fellowship space and beyond. Wear a mask, wash or sanitize your hands, minimize time indoors with people not part of your household (including stores and even our Fellowship building) and remember that 6 feet is further away than you think.

The current Guidelines for use of Fellowship Building and Fellowship Gatherings away from Building during the COVID-19 Pandemic are posted on the Fellowship website.

The posted guidelines cover use of the Starr King Fellowship building and grounds, as well as gatherings of Starr King entities (e.g. choir, committees, small group ministries) off the property. They address activities of 1) staff, 2) committees and small group ministries, 3) choir, 4) religious education, 5) rituals (e.g. memorial services), and 6) use by outside groups.

We would like to **highlight** the need for everyone entering the sanctuary to wash their hands or use hand sanitizer just before entering, to keep a minimum 12-foot distance from anyone singing, to wipe down the handheld microphone before passing it to someone else, and to be aware of the need to keep frequently sanitized touched areas such as the podium and door handles.

Certain areas of the Fellowship building are restricted to use by the Children's Learning Center and Fellowship staff. **ANY BUILDING USE MUST BE SCHEDULED THROUGH THE ADMINSTRATOR**, Lisa Olech.

Ad Hoc Committee members: Reverend Linda Barnes, Mary Crowell, Joe Kelaghan, Susan Scrimshaw and Susan Skinner.

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## Online Member/Friend Directory

Need to reach your Starr King Friends? All members and active friends have access to our online directory. The link is on the Member menu item of the [starrkingfellowship.org](https://starrkingfellowship.org) web page or you can simply go to the url [skuuf.simplechurchcrm.com](https://skuuf.simplechurchcrm.com). Your username is your first name and last name separated with a period such as mickey.mouse. If you have never logged in before, simply click on Forgot Password and one will be emailed to you. If you like using your mobile device, you can download the app for Simple Church. To setup, type in the domain name "skuuf".

Here's what you can do there:

- Change your contact information
- Find contact information of SKUUF members
- See what groups you belong to (e.g. Soul Matters, Smooth Sundays)

Questions? Contact [kmkelsey@gmail.com](mailto:kmkelsey@gmail.com).

## Book Group News

Join us via Zoom to discuss these selections. All sessions are via zoom at 3:30 PM.

April 13 - *Dandelion Wine* by Ray Bradbury

May 11- *Braiding Sweetgrass* by Robin Wall Kimmerer

June 8- *What We Talk about When We Talk about Love* by Raymond Carver

July 13- *The Big Burn* by Timothy Egan

Click this link to join: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82964373699pwd=N1FrVE45VTFUeDYzVWhEeHF5K1VYQT09>

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## Wise Women

Wise Women in Training is a women's study group which meets at least monthly to discuss issues related to women and aging. Members share experiences, questions and concerns about improving their lives while optimizing their happiness. Generally this group is recommended for any women over 55 years of age but younger women are welcome. Now meeting by Zoom, we will be discussing ideas presented randomly (from our question jar) or suggested by a member. Next meeting on Wednesday April 14 at 10:30 AM.

Although Betty Ann will no longer take charge of meeting topics she will coordinate publicity and meeting notices. Please to be added to the mailing list or direct suggestion for topics or questions to Betty Ann Trought 786-9342 or [batrought@gmail.com](mailto:batrought@gmail.com).

Join Zoom Meetings posted on Starr King on line calendar.  
<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81208321511?pwd=bE8wQTdtR2NKS2VKbGtocUdmc29kUT09>

## Monday Morning Men

The Monday Morning Men's Meetings will be on April 5 and 19, from 10:00 AM to noon via ZOOM.

## Howling Monkey Nicaraguan Coffee Still Available

Shade-grown, organic Howling Monkey Nicaraguan coffee can still be purchased to support both the Starr King Youth group and Compas de Nicaragua.

It is available either whole bean or ground, \$14 per pound. Please Contact Bob and Jane Clay, 603-996-1207 or [jhclay@roadrunner.com](mailto:jhclay@roadrunner.com), to make arrangements for pick-up or delivery.



## Office Hours

The Reverend Dr. Linda Barnes is in her office  
Tuesday and Wednesday, 10:00 AM to 2:00 PM,  
Thursday 10:00 AM. to 3:00 PM or by appointment, 536-8908.

Fellowship Office is open Tuesday through Friday  
8:00 AM to 1:30 PM  
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## **Mission and Vision statement**

### **Mission:**

At Starr King Unitarian Universalist Fellowship, we cultivate more love in the world and nurture more love for the world.

### **Vision:**

Our Fellowship welcomes and cares for people of all ages and varied identities. We experience joy as we build community and use our relationships with each other to create a more loving world.

Our Fellowship embraces what is meaningful and beautiful. We offer diverse experiences in worship, music, and the arts through our services, events, and the use of our building.

We live and model our values, collectively creating social and environmental justice with direct action and financial support.

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## **About Membership in Starr King Unitarian Universalist Fellowship**

### **What it Means to be a Member**

Membership is open to all individuals sixteen years and older regardless of race, creed, national origin, gender or sexual orientation who are in harmony with the visions, goals and principles of Starr King Unitarian Universalist Fellowship.

You are invited to become a member by participating in a Path to Membership orientation or by meeting with the Minister to review the benefits and responsibilities of membership. All new members sign the official Membership Record book witnessed by the Minister or a Membership Committee Chair.

Members are entitled to the services of the Minister and the use of the sanctuary for Rites of Passage (weddings, dedications, memorial services, etc.) at no cost. Members are eligible to serve in elected officer positions and serve as committee chairs. Members have the privilege of full voting rights.

Membership is maintained by active participation in the Fellowship, by supporting the annual Stewardship Drive and/or contributing service toward the Fellowship.

### **What it Means to be a Friend**

A Friend of Starr King UU Fellowship is an individual in harmony with the visions, goals and principles of our Fellowship who chooses not to sign the Membership Record Book. A Friend may participate in any and all Fellowship activities but does not receive Rites of Passage services without a fee, is not eligible to vote or serve as an elected officer or committee chair.