

STARR KING VIEW

Starr King UU Fellowship
-A Welcoming Congregation-



September 2025

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Sunday Services September 2025

September 7 Water Communion: Live Like the Water Flows Rev. Linda Barnes

In September, we celebrate the return of our regular Sunday services with a Water Communion. For this service we come together reflecting on the way we are connected, like water, in mutual care, respect, and shared commitment to a more loving world. Please bring a small amount of water from your summer – whether from your water bottle, the tap, the ocean, a lake, or any other source meaningful to you – to represent the summer that has just been.

September 14 Unselfing: A Path to Belonging Rev. Linda Barnes

Unselfing is a spiritual practice that can offer both perspective and relief. It is deeply human to be engaged in our own woes, sometimes to distraction. But, when we're able to step back, to take a wider perspective, we can find a means of living a well-considered life, a better life. In unselfing we may even find ourselves living a more virtuous life. Come find out why!

September 21 A Price Too High: The Cost of belonging Rev. Linda Barnes

Belonging is a fundamental human need, a spiritual longing. We need to belong to each other to fully express our humanity. Still, belonging requires something of us, that we give to the good of our community. When does the price of belonging become too much? When is it not about belonging, but about loyalty? Can we disagree and belong? On this Sunday, we'll explore this murkier side of belonging.

September 28 Belonging to a Nation in Crisis Rev. Lyn Marshall

What does it mean to be an American in this moment? If our democracy is under existential threat, as many think it is, what is it that we belong to as citizens? A nation, an ideal, a set of laws? The Rev. Lyn Marshall will explore the complicated dynamics of patriotism and belonging in a time of deep divide in these United States.

Foyer Art

Every quarter we are very fortunate to display the work of talented local artists. If you would like to display your work or can recommend a friend, please contact Kathy Kelsey. We happily invite our youth, too. The beautiful art currently on display through September is by Annette Mitchell.

Minister's Newsletter

September 2025

The needs for safety, belonging, love relations, and for respect, can be satisfied only by other people... ~ Abraham Maslov

Belonging is the theme of this month. American psychologist Abraham Maslov, in 1943, proposed a hierarchy of human need. The goal was to clarify what needs must be met to ensure human well-being. I imagine this is familiar to many. Of course, the most basic level of need is for food and water. After that, the need to feel safe. One tier above that is love and belonging. To thrive, we need to feel loved and to belong. And so, in the precious span of our lives, we are far better, healthier and more alive, when we engage with one another. Belonging builds resilience. We can use this to care for ourselves in these most interesting and challenging times.

This is why we engage in a spiritual community, to belong and to find meaning. It is good to consider this as we begin again – how is it that we might be true to our mission *to cultivate more love in the world and nurture more love for the world*? When we do this, each in our own way, we help bring about a world of more love. I tell you this as a reminder that even our smallest gestures of compassion, recognition, or greeting – matter. Mindfully fulfilling these needs is good reason to engage, a good reason to belong to each other, a good reason to welcome one another into this circle of caring. Our country and our community need this now more than ever, to combat an epidemic of loneliness and remind one another of our shared humanity. This, I think, is what's needed to save the world. If we as a people cannot meet this need for love and belonging, we will sink further into a place where healthcare, food, and safety are even more threatened. This, my friends, is something we are uniquely equipped to address.

So, welcome as we start off our regular services and offerings once again in September. Welcome for the first time or maybe for the hundredth time. Welcome in person or online. Welcome to the children, welcome to our elders, and all those in between. We are an intentional community of varied ages who strive to care for one another and the wider world. We are, after all, in this together. I'm so glad to be in this with you.

In Faith and love,
Rev. Linda

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See you for vespers in October

The Vespers will be held on Friday, October 3 at 6 pm. Please join us for this gentle contemplative service and, if you're able, a potluck meal afterwards.



A LETTER FROM THE PRESIDENT

Hello friends! It's been an eventful summer at our Fellowship! We provided rehearsal space for The NH Music Festival Chamber Music group in July following building maintenance. The musician run organization showed their appreciation by gifting us a beautiful performance on a Sunday morning in July in our sanctuary. They also gave the volunteers who opened and closed the building for them a complimentary ticket to a Silver Hall concert of our choice. On a personal note, I wrapped up my career of 35 years as a landscape designer in mid-July. As I reflect on things I learned from my career, which often involved project management, I can summarize in four statements things I will apply to my work for our Fellowship as President:

- 1). Communication is key.
- 2). Assume nothing. If uncertain check.
- 3). Learn from Mother Nature
- 4). Trust in Father Time.

In August we had a very good Board Retreat. The UUA guided us with some interesting videos and exercises. It was fun and productive. We also hosted The NH Peacekeepers workshop. Suellen Skinner can tell you more about that. There was another large gathering of people from all around NH on Saturday, August 23 called The NH Network. It is a state wide coalition of ecology action groups. Nancy Chaddock will report on it. As I write this The Summer Series Lyceum continues through August. Reflections on that from Kathy Kelsey next month will hopefully be forthcoming. Lets not forget the good work of Got Lunch all summer and preparations for our fundraising yard sale. Wow! Our building is put to great use, in line with our UU values, for our community.

We also learned from these events that we need to pay attention to building use protocol. We can do better going forward to smooth glitches and communication. This will be a priority for our September board meeting.

Thank you to those who have helped facilitate these events this summer. As volunteers we all strive for good outcomes. Sometimes there are problems but it's amazing to me how often good luck prevails. As a governing board we value your input and suggestions for smoother sailing ahead, when it comes to building use by outside groups specifically and for matters concerning the Fellowship, in general.

The rummage sale September 6 is only as successful as we make it so come and help if you can. I look forward to seeing many of you at our traditional Water Communion Service, Sunday, September 7.

In love and fellowship,

Connie Maatta
President 2025-2026

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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 the bottom of this page [Sunday Services | Starr King Unitarian Universalist Fellowship | Plymouth, NH \(starrkingfellowship.org\)](#) on our website

You can see the most recent Sunday or any past services.

Soundbites

Greetings, friends! I am so looking forward to starting the regular church calendar year at Starr King, one that is sure to be filled with inspiration, healing and blessings.

Because of the generosity of the Fellowship, I was able to attend the annual AUUMM (Association of UU Music Ministries) conference in Atlanta this past July. What an experience! Five days filled with amazing worship, workshops, choral reading sessions, song swaps, band contests and fun! I have attended over 20 conferences and this has to be one of the best (despite the fact that I got my first bout of Covid upon arriving home). I got some great new music for the choir, as well as information on the new UUA online hymnal, "Sing Out Love". Thanks to a generous donor, Starr King has a one year subscription to this amazing new resource that features not only familiar music, but new music as well - with more to come! All in a digital platform that offers downloadable music, MP3's, band charts and more! It will be a fun challenge in the next few months to navigate the site and see how it best fits in with our worship on Sundays - and beyond!

In late August, the choir had its annual retreat at the Hazelton Farm. This gathering is extremely important in setting the space for the upcoming year. We have a meaningful worship service where we share our joys and concerns, some designated time to sight read new music, and of course, enjoy good food and company! I am eternally grateful to this dedicated group of volunteer musicians for what they bring to one another and the entire fellowship.

It does my heart good to see how our Sanctuary was utilized this summer with the Music Festival. We have such a special place, and a special piano - what a blessing to share it with the wider community!

As we start back in earnest this month, I want to extend an invitation to ANY and ALL musicians who want to take part in the life of our Fellowship. Please don't hesitate to talk to me if you have something you want to share! And, choir is open to all who love to sing!

See y'all in church!

Sarah Dan



SCHEDULE

CHOIR EVERY THURSDAY IN SANCTUARY 6-7PM.

Sunday, September 7 - Sarah Dan and choir

Sunday, September 14- Will Gunn, musician

Sunday, September 21 - Sarah Dan

Sunday, September 28 - Sarah Dan and choir

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Office Admin Schedule September through June

Tuesday: 12:30PM - 5:30PM

Wednesday: 12:30PM - 5:30PM

Thursday: 9:00AM—1:00PM

As always, you can email admin@starrkingfellowship.org or leave a voicemail and Jennifer will get back to you when she is in the office.



From your DRE

Religious Exploration

Welcome back to another year of Religious Exploration at the Fellowship! We are so excited to be able to offer so much to families thanks to the dedication of this congregation to its children. In August, the RE Committee hosted an Open House for families to learn about and meet the folks who make possible the Sunday morning RE programs and our Youth Groups. We've been gathering feedback from families to hopefully improve the ways we support them and create even more spaces for intergenerational connections to be made. The first Sunday of worship this month will be our annual Water Communion service, which is intergenerational and everyone of all ages is encouraged to bring a small amount of water and participate! Religious Exploration programming will start on Sunday, September 14th, and the first Youth Group meeting will take place on Sunday, September 21st from 4:00 - 5:30 pm. We are so excited about the many things we have planned for this year including game nights, open mics, hikes, fundraising events for the Youth Group's trip abroad, and more!

We are also thrilled to introduce the newest addition to the RE team - Madeline Machain! As a way to support our volunteers, Madeline will be joining us serving as our Sunday morning RE Assistant. Madeline studies early childhood education and brings with her great enthusiasm, vibrant energy, and a passion to connect and share with families and children. Each Sunday she will greet children and families as they arrive, and welcome children into the RE space when they go downstairs with the volunteer teachers. We are also asking that starting this month, that after worship ends, a parent go downstairs to pick up their child from the RE room so that we can keep better track of where everyone is. I will continue to serve the Fellowship remotely as Director of Religious Education, providing curriculums and activity plans and coordinating with the rest of the Fellowship staff. On Sundays, you can find me online with the other Zoom attendees via the link on our website. As always, if you have any question, concerns, or ideas about RE, please send me an email at dre@starrkingfellowship.org

Grace Kennedy

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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, \$20 per pound. Contact Bob and Jane Clay, claysusanj@gmail.com or 603-996-1207, to make arrangements for pick-up or delivery.



Soul Matters

Why join a Soul Matters Group? Simply put, Soul Matters groups mend the threads of spiritual connection. Around us swirls a shallow, frantic and materialistic culture that leaves us cut off from our deepest self, life's gifts and needs greater than our own. Many of us come to church hungry to mend these sacred connections that get frayed and torn. Soul Matters exists to support this journey of reconnection to life, others and our deepest self. Soul Matters invites us to deeply listen to each other and, in that way, get more in touch with our own inner being.

Each month we are given packets with a theme full of spiritual exercises and questions to explore. This year's themes are:

September: Building Belonging
October: Cultivating Compassion
November: Nurturing Gratitude
December: Choosing Hope
January: Practicing Resistance
February: Embodying Resilience
March: Paying Attention
April: Embracing Possibility
May: Awakening Curiosity
June: Flourishing Together

Currently we have two groups scheduled and there are openings in both. It's easy enough to add another if folks are interested.

- Third Tuesday on ZOOM - 2:30 pm - 4:30 pm
- Second Monday in person - 1:00 pm - 3:00 pm. Meets in Starr King RE Room 2.

If you would like to sign up or would like more information, please contact Jennifer in the office and she will put you in touch with one of the facilitators. admin@starrkingfellowship.org.



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September Outreach Offering

The Outreach committee has been working on our list of recipients for the 2025-2026 year with a focus on those non-profits who have lost federal money in the chaos of this year. Our September offering will be to support the work of Plymouth Head Start program.

Head Start is a federally funded, family-focused child development program for children ages 3 – 5 that is free for income eligible households. The program offers a center-focused classroom where kids attend daily five days a week with meals provided. There are staff who meet with families to assist with social services.

I found today that they have indeed lost federal funding in the chaotic budgeting this year. On September 21, one of the staff will join us to tell us more about this program.

If you are aware of any organizations who could use assistance this year, please let me or Mary Crowell know.

Suellen Skinner

Climate Action

IMPORTANT CONFERENCE HELD AT STARR KING UU FELLOWSHIP ON AUGUST 23, 2025

The New Hampshire Network for Environment, Energy, Climate presented their 4th Annual Environmental Summit in our Meetinghouse. This is the second year this Summit has been held at our Meetinghouse. Representatives from NH nonprofit organizations working on climate-related issues from across our state gathered for this meeting.

With critical funding being cut and clawed back by our Government, those assembled discussed how NH's environmental community can maintain momentum to protect our environmental values. The Summit provided role models of folks who refuse to be deterred.

This year the focus was on advancing environmental projects in our own local communities. It has become increasingly clear that this local emphasis is more likely to win support for projects, educate fellow-citizens, and bring folks on board as volunteers, creating an engaged and cohesive community.

The NH Network, as it is known, is an all-volunteer, nonpartisan group sharing information about actions on environmental challenges to help create a more sustainable New Hampshire. Our Fellowship's Climate Action Committee has been able to keep abreast of the numerous climate-related actions taking place by nonprofits in our State because of the information made available to all by the NH Network.

Among the speakers at this year's Summit was Laurene Allen, Goldman Environmental Prize winner, whose persistence and investigation brought PFAS to public attention, eventually leading to Saint-Gobain's exit from Merrimack NH. PFAS refers to the so-called "forever chemicals" in our environment that can cause cancer and other ailments. Saint-Gobain manufactured plastics in the town of Merrimack which allowed PFAS waste into the ground and drinking water of several communities, with significant cancer-related illnesses and death. PFAS is a health concern across New Hampshire, a significant threat for people living near the large commercial landfills in our State.

Some of you might remember one of the other speakers at the Summit, Aubrey Nelson (her picture at left below). As she told a few of us at the end of the Summit, "I grew up in this Fellowship." A member of the Nelson family from Moultonborough. Aubrey represented two young-adult groups, the NH and VT Energy Education Projects. During her presentation Aubrey encouraged the audience to include children and young adults in climate projects.

Nancy Chaddock for the Climate Action Committee



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Date with Death Club: Exploring Mortality in Community

Starting Sunday, September 21

Perhaps you are one of the many humans seeking to explore mortality with less fear and more curiosity; with less euphemism and more reality; with less conformity and more creativity. If so, welcome! So glad you found the Date with Death Club!

Date with Death Club is a secular/non-dogmatic exploration of mortality in community, including philosophical, spiritual and informational content, with a balance of humor and earnest regard for the topic of mortality. This program provides a safe[r] and brave[r] space to explore the often-taboo topic of our mortality. This program aspires to cultivate the possibility of living a more awake life by facing the reality of our death. When taken as a whole, sessions provide concrete information and the chance to deepen self-awareness and strengthen emotional resilience.

Each session stands on its own, supporting drop-in participation; all sessions complement each other, supporting the cultivation of connection and community among participants. More frequent attendance will provide benefits of deepening interpersonal connection and personal understanding. You are welcome to attend sessions that you've participated in the past, much that these sessions offer are worth a second look.

Practical Offerings

What to do with a Dead Body

Hospice, Palliative Care, & End of Life Documents, Oh My!

Planning Your Own Funeral, Memorial, or Celebration of Life Service.

Medical Aid in Dying/Death with Dignity

Writing Your Own Obituary

Death Cleaning (Not offered before.)

Emotional/Spiritual Offerings

Getting Comfortable with Death Talk

Afterlife/Afterlives

Aging, better than the Alternative

Death, Dying, & Poetry

Good Life & Good Death

Grief: Loving & Losing, Learning & Living

Owning Your Dying

Resistance & Acceptance

We will be offering the first session, *Getting Comfortable with Death Talk* on Sunday, September 21 from 11:00 - 12:30 in the sanctuary. This session is the first of several once-per-month sessions. Join us! Please feel free to share this beyond our Fellowship as it is open to all, from high school age to those who have been on this Earth for many years.

Please let us know that you'll be joining us by contacting Jennifer at admin@starrkingfellowship.org. Questions? Reach out to Rev. Linda at Minister@starrkingfellowship.org.

Adapted from DwDC curriculum by Rev. Karen G. Johnston

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Summer Lyceum

Thanks to all the folks that made our summer speaker series such a success. Between in-person and on line viewers, we averaged about 50 each Sunday. Our hosts included Paul Phillips, Joe Kelaghan, Sue Ellen Skinner, Jessica Dutille, and Kathy Kelsey. Thanks to greeters Connie Maatta, Larry Wylie, Gigi Estes, Darlene Nadeau, Mary Hazelton, Terri Johnson, Phil Haskell, Maura Dougherty, Jim Hostettler, Fred Kelsey, and Nancy Chaddock. Suzan Gannett did a stellar job with marketing for both the Record Enterprise, Facebook, and theView. Jonathon Piccard from Pemi-Baker TV faithfully showed up every Sunday to livestream the presentations for our remote members and friends.

Special thanks to Connie Maatta who arrived early and brought refreshments for the New Hampshire Music Festival Musicians. They felt so welcome as you can tell from this note.

Thank you for making Sunday's concert a success. Everyone had a marvelous time. Please convey our thanks to all involved in making it happen (program writing and printing, emcee, drinks, piano tuning, setup, cleanup, and maintenance of your spotless "concert" hall. The clear windows looking out to green trees is so cheerful compared to dark stained glass. I liked your portable microphone to help the audience hear when the musicians speak. If you know the brand/source for ordering one like yours (no cord), let me know. - Brenda

That Sunday we had a record breaking 70 people. Many stayed for coffee hour.

You can still view the presentations on YouTube by searching for Pemi-Baker TV.

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Green Burial Coming to the Plymouth Area

Thanks to Lee Webster for presenting so much great information about Green Burials in our Summer Speaker Series. Want to hear more about green burial right here in Grafton County? Come to Pease Public Library in Plymouth at 6:30 pm on September 10th to learn more about what green burial is, why it matters, and how we are working to build a conservation-level burial ground here. Internationally recognized advocate for natural burial Lee Webster will present, and members of White Mountain Conservation Burial will also be on hand to answer questions.

Humanitarian Aid Needed

Among all the inspiring stories we heard this summer, two touched our hearts and brought us to tears. The courage of these folks to enter war zones at their own peril to help orphaned and traumatized children is truly awe inspiring.

INARA is the organization Julia Byers, our final summer presenter, works with to do her healing workshops with the children who have been so devastated by war. INARA is 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization that provides essential medical and mental health support to children affected by human-induced and natural disasters. Founded in 2015, INARA operates in Lebanon, Palestine, Egypt, Afghanistan, Ukraine, Syria, and Türkiye, with plans to expand into Sudan and Yemen. Click below to learn more about them and to donate.

<https://inara.org/about/>

To watch the original presentation:

https://youtu.be/_dQiaf5pYs0?si=xqfx6uHqmjHAKMIQ

The second organization is one we know well, Common Man for Ukraine. A young Ukrainian woman, who visited our Fellowship the Sunday of the presentation given by Susan Mathison and Lisa Mure, was in tears during the entire presentation. Many of us wept, too. Click below to learn more and to donate.

<https://commonmanforukraine.org/>

To watch the original presentation:

https://youtu.be/BHqYpVpfok8?si=O7yHDtIDRC_aEsQV

SKUUF - Smooth Sunday Teams for 2025 - 2026

		Yellow = Team Leaders
RED PINES	Mountain ASHES	BEECHES
Paul MacIntosh	Mimi Chandler	Jess Boynton
Mary Truell	Bob Chandler	John Marunowski
Susan Scrimshaw	Stephanie Halter	Jessie Marunowski
Allan Stern	Susan Jacobs	Paul MacDonald
Richard Odman	Babe De Raymond	Amy MacDonald
Danni Simon	Darlene Nadeau	Gigi Estes
Harry Hope	Sam Miller	Clay Morris
	Virginia Miller	
BIRCHES-8	RED CEDARS	WHITE PINES
Suzan Gannett	Jim Hostetler	Connie Maatta
Robert Gannett	Bob Clay	John Maatta
Joe Kelaghan	Jane Clay	Wes Chadwick
Thad DeFauw	Shelley Chamberlain	Susan Chadwick
Glenn Smith	Deedie Kriebel	Rebecca Noel
Linda Smith	Joe McKellar	Paul Phillips
Jess Duttile	Reed Harrigan	Olivia Saunders
Bryan Duttile	Jennifer Harrigan	Maura Doherty
SPRUCES	MAPLES	
Louise Randall	Diana Pamplin	
Mike Randall	Jim Pamplin	
Nancy Chaddock	Doug Grant	
Anna Wilken	Suellen Skinner	Note: Please switch with another team if your team can't be available for its assigned date.
Linda Haskins	Quentin Blaine	
Dorothy Crowell	Marcia Blaine	
San Kabir	Anita Rowley	
RED OAKS	HEMLOCKS	Additional Helpers
Sarah Wylie	Don Crowell	Bob Clay
Lawrence Wylie	Mary Crowell	Jane Clay
Chris Leston	Janet Englund	Bob Chandler
Mary Hazelton	Jennifer Gentry	Mimi Chandler
Paul Hazelton	Sandy Mucci	Tiffany Hammond
Kristen Walsh	Phil Haskell	Malik Hammond
Brian Walsh	Terri Johnson	Deedie Kriebel

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Smooth Sunday's 2025 and 2026

Team Dates

Smooth Sunday Team Responsibilities:

Team leader co-ordinates food across team *

- Purchase Milk and Half/Half
- Coffee & Tea preparation
- Food Set-up in Macey Hall starting about 9am
- Set two tables in the center with food and table cloth
- One person hands out "program"
- 2 greeters - One upstairs and one downstairs @ 9am
- Greeters are responsible for the "offering"

Clean-up

- Critical to turn off Coffee Maker and Dishwasher*
- Wipe down counters
- Put clean mugs and glasses, etc. away
- Supply flowers for front of church
- Turn the heat down on three thermostats to 62 Degrees
- Take home, wash and return dish towels and tablecloths

* Please include at least one gluten free snack

Schedule

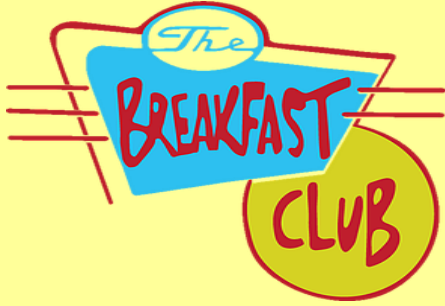
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9/7/2025	Birches	1/25/2026
9/14/2025	Mountain Ashes	2/1/2026
9/21/2025	Beeches	2/8/2026
9/28/2025	White Pines	2/15/2026
10/5/2025	Spruces	2/22/2026
10/12/2025	Red Pines	3/1/2026
10/19/2025	Red Oaks	3/8/2026
10/26/2025	Red Cedars	3/15/2026
11/2/2025	Maples	3/22/2026
11/9/2025	Hemlocks	3/29/2026
11/16/2025	Birches	4/5/2026
11/23/2025	Mountain Ashes	4/12/2026
11/30/2025	Beeches	4/19/2026
12/7/2025	Spruces	4/26/2026
12/14/2025	White Pines	5/3/2026
12/21/2025	Red Pines	5/10/2026
12/28/2025	Red Oaks	5/17/2026
1/4/2026	Red Cedars	5/24/2026
1/11/2026	Maples	5/31/2026
1/18/2026	Hemlocks	6/7/2026

September Activities 2025

Breakfast Club -

Breakfast Club - Friday, September 12, 2025

Let us gather once again for a meal and conversation. There will be lots to share after a long summer break!



We will meet for breakfast at 8:30 AM at the PSU Prospect Dining Hall on 8 High Street in Plymouth. You can use your Breakfast Club cards or pay for the breakfast. Parking is in Lot #204 across the street from the dining hall.

After breakfast, at 10 AM, we will travel to the Museum of the White Mountains for a tour of the new exhibit, the INTO LIGHT Project. "The exhibition is titled *Drug Addiction: Real People, Real Stories* and features portraits and stories of New Hampshire residents who have died from addiction." Join us for this powerful exhibit. Contact Deedie at deediekriebel@gmail.com for more information and to get a parking pass.

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Second Sunday Hike -

Second Sunday Hike - September 14, 2025

We are going to Vermont! Join us as we hike My Walden, a favorite of Jen and Reed Harrigan. They will lead us on this short 2.3 mile loop near Sharon, VT. It should take us about an hour to complete. Highlights include wildflowers and stunning views.

This is a great hike for people of all ages and abilities! Bring a lunch to eat before or during the hike. Surely, we will find a great place for ice cream or snacks on the way home.



Plan to leave from the Starr King lower parking lot at 11:30 AM after the service. If you plan to join us, contact Deedie at deediekriebel@gmail.com for more information and updates.

Unitarian Universalist Service Committee (UUSC):

The UUSC launches the Resistance Network.

We are living in a time of escalating injustice, but also powerful resistance. Those in power seek to divide us, weaken our movements, and strip away fundamental rights—but we know that justice is only possible when we build solidarity together. Our faith in human dignity, our belief in collective liberation, and our commitment to justice call us to act.

Yesterday, the UUSC launched the Resistance Network—a mobilization hub designed to take immediate action when civil liberties, democracy, and human rights are at risk. The threats we face are vast, but history shows us that resistance works when we act together. The Resistance Network is an opportunity to live our values as Unitarian Universalists and take collective action.



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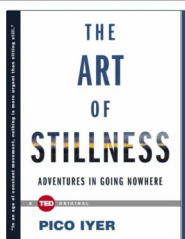
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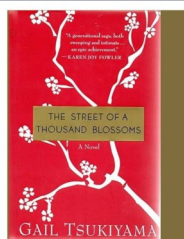
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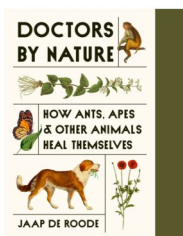
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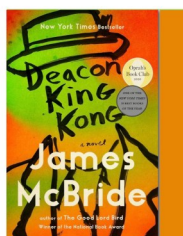
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Led by Mary Hazelton



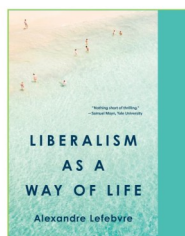
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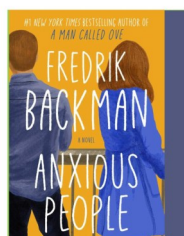
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Led by Gigi Estes



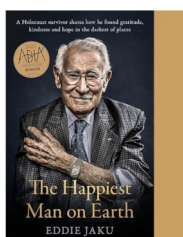
February 10, 2026
Led by Bill Trought



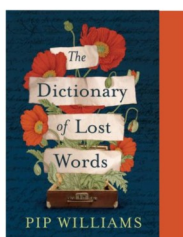
March 10, 2026
Led by Nancy Chaddock



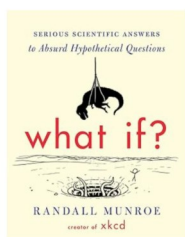
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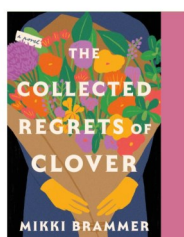
May 12, 2026
Led by Bill Trought



June 9, 2026
Led by Sue Ellen Tuttle



July 14, 2026
Led by Everyone Present



August 11, 2026
Led by Julia Hedman

Led by
Nancy Chaddock
Tuesday
September 9
3:30 PM



STARR KING UNITARIAN
UNIVERSALIST FELLOWSHIP

BOOK GROUP

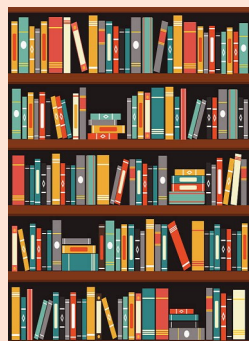
If you would like to be on the Book Group's email zoom list,
send a request to admin@starringfellowship.org

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SKUUF LENDING LIBRARY

Next time you're in the downstairs lobby, take a look at our lending library. It has recently been refreshed and has many new titles. Some of the new selections focus on LGBTQ+ topics as part of the Welcoming Congregation renewal. Other subjects deal with grief and loss. Both children's and adult books are included.

To check out a book, write your name on the library card in the front of the book and place the card in the card file box. Please return the book in a reasonable amount of time, one month suggested.



Member News

Bev and Gary Walker were members of Starr King for many years where Gary served several terms as Treasurer. When Bev needed more help a few years ago they moved into a Retirement Community in Milford to be closer to their daughter.

This picture was taken by Cindy Spring at Bev and Gary's 50th Anniversary party in August.



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What's on the Starr King Website

During every Sunday Service announcement we hear the statement "for more information go to our website."

Here are a few things you can find there:

- * For a list of board members, committees and chairs, and recent board minutes, go to <https://www.starrkingfellowship.org/committees>.
- * To learn about interest groups such as breakfast club, Sunday hikes and book group, go to <https://www.starrkingfellowship.org/interest-groups>.
- * To learn about Adult Spirituality offerings such as Soul Matters, go to <https://www.starrkingfellowship.org/adult-spiritual-exploration>.
- * For a two minute summary of what we believe, go to <https://www.starrkingfellowship.org/about>.
- * **There's so much more. Please surf around!**

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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.

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.

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