

STARR KING VIEW

Starr King UU Fellowship
-A Welcoming Congregation-



May 2026

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*Celebrate our own Labyrinth
on Saturday, May 2*
World Labyrinth Day
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SPRING - YARD CLEAN UP DAY

Saturday, May 9th | 9 am to 11:30 am

Are you READY!?! The more members & visitors that help, the more we will get done! Remember, we are "the ones" who make the Fellowship look great, so we hope to see you there!!

Here are some tasks we would like to work on:

1. Remove/smooth out any sand bumps in both parking lots & garden
2. Move the wood logs back out to mark the edges of the parking lots
3. Pick up sticks from parking lots, yard & gardens
4. Remove leaves off parking lots, yard & gardens

What to Bring:

Gloves
Rakes or leaf blowers
Tarps for moving leaves & sticks

Any questions, please contact me, or just let me know you will be there.

If we have a rainout, we will go with May 16th.

Bob Chandler (B&G Chair) bobchandler@verizon.net



Worship Services

May 2026
Sunday Services

May 3 The Generous Question

Rev. Linda Barnes

We UUs do not provide easy answers to life's questions. Instead, we are known as a faith that questions - questions authority, questions theology, questions truth. Because the quality of a question influences the quality of the answer, we'll explore the power and practice of generous questions in seeking answers to life's most pressing questions. On this Sunday we will also welcome new members in a brief new member ceremony.

May 10 Becoming Like the Mother Tree

Rev. Linda Barnes

Research has shown that the oldest and biggest trees in a forest are the ones with the greatest number of connections, of relationships with their own offspring and with other species within a forest. What lessons might this hold for our own becoming and aging? What ways might we honor, recognize and nurture the *mother trees* within and among us?

May 17 To Be or Not to Be, Curious

Rev. Linda Barnes

Our human habit of being judgmental, of habitually forming critical and premature opinions serves us, in the moment, and it means we fail to see the humanity in another. So, on this Sunday, let's look deeper into the practice of putting judgement aside in favor of practicing curiosity.

May 24 Reflections and Insights from Your Youth

SKUUF Youth Group

The Starr King UU Fellowship Youth Group will share their experiences and insights from their recent trip to Costa Rica.

May 31 Courage and the Moral Imagination

Rev. Linda Barnes

We have the power to make things better. Indeed, we change the world with every choice we make. Join us as we explore the power of our choices and how we might use our moral imagination to creatively and ethically bring about a world where justice prevails.

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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.

ANNUAL MEETING



Save the Date!

Sunday, May 17 at 11:00 AM

**Starr King
UU Fellowship
Annual Meeting**

Minister's Newsletter

May 2026

If knowledge is power, then curiosity is the muscle.
~ Danielle LaPorte

Our theme for May is Awakening Curiosity. Thinking about this, I wondered about what first came to mind, for me it was, *curiosity killed the cat*. Not very positive, I know. Isn't this said to keep us from taking risks, from asking questions? Maybe even to keep those of us who question authority, quiet? Is it meant to be a warning to limit learning and creativity? Then, I thought about the Curious George books, written and illustrated by Margaret and H.A. Rey. They offer humorous warnings about the risks of curiosity. Curious George is a fictional monkey who repeatedly gets himself into trouble because of his curiosity (obvious from the title, I know). He's always saved by his more reasonable friend and protector, the man with the yellow hat. Those stories, too, feel a bit like we're supposed to learn to suppress our curiosity lest we end up in all kinds of trouble.

Perhaps it is because curiosity takes us to places, offers information, and puts us in situations that we've never explored before, that it has within it an element of danger or at least a vulnerability. But honestly, I think the greater danger is choosing to live a life that denies the importance of curiosity. We are more open to possibility when we are open to uncertainty. I know that's hard. In *The Book of Awakening*, Mark Nepo tells us, "Once we admit we are not sure where life is taking us, then we are ripe for transformation." This is where curiosity can serve to open us up to an unexpected learning, new insight, or delight. I know I could use more learning, insight, and delight! Especially in these trying times, there is reason to be curious. We do not know what is next. From this, we can cultivate hope.

Curiosity is the place where hope can be reborn. Curiosity reminds us that we are alive and that the world is alive with possibility. Hope is in the question, *what if?* What if I learned one new thing? What if I asked why? What if we...? Let's let curiosity be the muscle with which we might bring about something new, and beautiful, and just. My invitation to you this month is to be curious, to ask questions and then listen to the answers with an open mind.

I hope you'll take the opportunity to read the annual report when it comes out later this month. Many people have done so much to help our Starr King UU Fellowship live up to its mission and vision. I invite you to be curious, ask questions about what you find there.

In love and faith,
Rev. Linda

The Rev. 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

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Vespers



Vespers will be held on Friday, May 1 at 6 pm. Please join us for this gentle contemplative service and, if you're able, a potluck meal afterwards.

A Note from the President

I hope this finds you well and enjoying the milder weather. However you choose to celebrate May Day, it is a very important day for our family. Our adopted daughter, Kelly, arrived home on May 1, 1984 and we began our journey as a family. It is also a day of celebrations throughout the Northern hemisphere to acknowledge the miracle of spring, love and renewal.

Many of us at Starr King UU Fellowship are preparing for our annual meeting, Sunday May 17, at 11 AM. You will receive the annual report via e-mail and there will be a few printed copies available at the meeting. We welcome all members in person or on zoom. We will be voting to accept the minutes from last year, approve an operating budget for the fiscal year '26-'27 and elect new nominees for positions on the Governing Board and the Endowment Committee.

This year we will have a short presentation of the year in review at the Fellowship. It's been a very engaging year and we want to lift that up to everyone.

Most importantly, I encourage you to attend and share in the tradition of our annual meeting. It is a time to celebrate our commitment to the Fellowship and the promise of it's future.

In Fellowship,
Connie Maatta. she/her

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Welcoming Congregation

Thank you to all who attended the second of three presentations on Responding to the Anti-Trans Movement. There were 10 attendees at the second in person presentation and 4 attended the online presentation. The topic was titled ***What You Need to Know About the Anti-Trans Movement***. Good discussion followed in both sessions.

The third and final part to this series, ***How to Insure Your Congregation is Truly Trans Welcoming***, will be offered the first week of May. The in-person session will be on **Sunday, May 3rd** from 11- 12 after the service. The online session will be on **Wednesday, May 6th** from 6:30 – 7:30. The Zoom link can be found on the main calendar of events and will also be emailed to the Sunday Zoomers and previous attendees. For those who would like to view this series and have been unable to attend or missed part, please contact Mary Crowell for the link to the program.

Thank you to Reed Harrigan who restocked our Welcoming Flag pins and stickers. They can be found in the basket on the front table in the Foyer. Pro-noun stickers may be found here as well. As a reminder, we use pronoun stickers on our nametags to promote our Fellowship as a safe and inclusive place for people of any gender. Sharing our pronouns, even if it feels obvious to us, normalizes the process, has little risks, and makes our community a more welcoming environment for everyone. Help yourself!



WELCOME





New Members

Lisa Frost has lived in Plymouth with her spouse John Mozley since 2019. She is a stay-at-home mom to Evvy, 3, and Zalea, 10 months. Lisa has many side projects including creating community and supports for young families, as well as renovations in her 150-year-old home. She enjoys all things outdoors, especially hiking, mountain biking, and backcountry skiing, although these days she spends more time in the backyard and neighborhood than in the mountains. She appreciates so many aspects of Starr King - the welcoming community, the opportunities to help, and the messages from each service.

Carolyn and Steve Locke live in Exeter and Waterville Valley NH, moving there 3 years ago from Hingham, MA, where they were avid cyclists (22 years in the Pan Mass Challenge for Dana Farber Cancer research) as well as ocean rowers and tennis players.

Steve had grown up in the UU Old Ship Church whereas Carolyn was raised in the Catholic Church. She attended Trinity college in DC (Nancy Pelosi's alma mater), where she worked for her congressman for 2 years as an intern. She is proud to say that he frequently "crossed the aisle", was sober, and kept his hands off her! She also spent her junior year in Aix -en- Provence. Steve attended Milton Academy, went to Harvard under an NROTC scholarship. He rowed there for 4 years. Upon graduation he owed the Navy 6 years. He entered the submarine force and went into nuclear power, qualifying as an engineer under Adm. Rickover. However, the detailer told him he would be out to sea for 13 years. With 2 small kids, he decided to retire and they moved to Zion, IL to work in a nuclear training facility for Westinghouse Electric. Once he completed the prerequisites for dental school he applied to dental school. He went to the University of Pennsylvania in Philly, was awarded a DMD, and worked in the US Public Health Service there for 2 years and then applied to Ortho school. He matriculated at the U of Penn School of Orthodontics and graduated in 1987. Meanwhile Carolyn worked at the historic Frank Furness Unitarian church on Chestnut St, managing rentals. She then began a 30-year career as a University Administrative Dean, primarily at the graduate level in Arts & Sciences & Medical/Healthcare Education, starting at Penn, then Brandeis, Tufts and lastly at the MGH Institute of Health Professions. Carolyn retired in 2019 and Steve in 2021, selling his Hull, MA practice that he co-owned with his daughter, also a dentist.

They moved to Exeter NH to be closer to their children. Their daughter lives in Sterling, MA and has 2 boys. Their son, in water energy management, lives in Concord, MA, and has 2 boys and a girl. About 2 years ago Carolyn had a stroke, post back surgery. She has spent extensive time in outpatient and inpatient rehabilitation. It has been a long recovery period for them both. The welcoming spirit and strong social justice values of the SKUUF community along with Rev. Barnes' thoughtful and up-beat services and Sara Dan's rockin' music direction have been key to their decision to join today. They feel at home.

And More New Members...

Jake and Julian Sutcliffe both grew up here in the area, met in high school, but both moved away to separate cities in Massachusetts for college after graduation. To make a long story short, they eventually reunited, fell in love, and got married. They decided to move back to NH in 2018. In 2022, they moved back closer to home and settled in Campton with their two cats Nifty and Husk and their dog Alice. After the 2024 election, they both felt the need to find a community that shared their values, and started coming to SKUUF shortly after. Jake is an accountant who enjoys making fiber and all sorts of creative arts in their free time. Julian works in the State House and enjoys reading hopeful science fiction books that are usually checked out past their due date. Together, they enjoy kayaking, occasional success at gardening, and taking their dog on adventures.

Shawn and Julia Hedman are originally from the Midwest—Shawn from Illinois and Julia from Michigan—and relocated to Plymouth last spring after many years in Lakeland, Florida. They have two adult children, Max (26) and **Sabrina** (23), who have also recently made Plymouth home. In the past they were members of the UU Fellowship in Lakeland.

Shawn is a longtime college math instructor who works online with Western Governors University. Julia taught elementary school in the classroom for 11 years before spending 9 years as a Hospital Homebound teacher. She now teaches part-time for Knower Academics, located in in Plymouth.

In their free time, Shawn and Julia enjoy staying active and spending time together as a family. They both love hiking in the mountains. Shawn plays pickleball regularly, and Julia enjoys yoga. They are a gaming family and enjoy board games, cards, Mahjong, and trivia.

They are excited to connect with others in the area and look forward to becoming part of the Starr King community!

Andrea Gaudette-Fontneau & Casey Fontneau married in 2013 when they were living in South Carolina, where they attended the Greenville UU for some time. They moved home to New Hampshire in the spring of 2017. Casey is in IT and Andrea is a stay-at-home-parent and homemaker. The apple of their eyes, Camille Honorée, is nearly 7 years old. They reside in North Sanbornton with their 14-year-old orange tabby, Mr. G.

Andrea enjoys cooking, various handicrafts, her weekly Pilates class, walks around Hermit Lake with her retired neighbor friends, and long phone calls with her sister Samantha. She has recently enjoyed attending Breakfast Club, though she can't always make it.

Casey is a proud "Girl Dad" and the two can often be found coding small robotics projects or playing in the arcade at Smitty's. Casey's extracurriculars include "vibecoding" and developing his own iPhone applications. He likes to tinker with various tech as well as 3D printing.

Camille is in the first grade and is a Daisy Girl Scout with the local Plymouth troop. She enjoys swimming, gymnastics, and the Winnepesaukee Playhouse's theater camps. She loves stuffies as well as live animals of all kinds.

The family enjoys theater and music, reading together, traveling, trying new foods locally and abroad, and spending time with loved ones and friends. The three look forward to getting to know more UU's!

Ella Reist moved to New Hampshire in the fall to 2025 after falling in love with New England on her through hike of the Application Trail. She is farming at Longview Farm in Plymouth and as the seasons allow, she loves exploring the multitude of hiking and running trails, knitting and baking bread. Ella has been searching for a community to put roots down and is excited to foster that at Starr King.



UUA GENERAL ASSEMBLY

JUNE 14 - 21, 2026

MEET THE MOMENT: TOGETHER EVERYWHERE

General Assembly

It's time to start planning for our national General Assembly which will be held June 14-June 21 this year. The theme is ***Meet the Moment Everywhere***. Recently, these have been held alternately in person and on-line and this year is a virtual event. However, they are experimenting with a hybrid program with some in-person as well as online events this year. Starr King sponsors folks for this and would like to have a couple of people participate. Here's your chance for a deep experience of how UU's democratic leadership operates. If you are interested, please check out <https://www.uua.org/ga> or talk to a member of the Board.

I am including this little bit from their GA website for more info about this hybrid GA. Find out everything at the website.

“General Assembly (GA) is the annual meeting of the Unitarian Universalist Association (UUA), where participants gather to worship, witness, learn, connect, and make policy decisions for the Association through a democratic process. While anyone can attend, congregations must certify annually to have voting delegates.

For General Assembly in 2026, we are creating a virtual “everywhere GA” with both online and distributed in-person options that will allow Unitarian Universalists to participate in whichever way works best for them. This new format will reduce travel costs and environmental impacts, offer optional in-person connections, streamline production costs, and provide a more flexible schedule for participants.

We know there is a deep need in this moment to build and sustain community as Unitarian Universalists. Given the strain that our congregations and individual UUs face in the current political climate, when travel brings increased risks and person-to-person connection remains important to our continued thriving, we are leaning into this creative approach.

To maintain safety, accessibility, and equity, the UUA is offering several ways to engage with the content and connections offered at this virtual GA, including fully virtual participation streaming live across many time zones.

By experimenting with smaller, more localized gatherings we can uphold the value of equity for GA participants around the country and production quality that supports the experience of online attendees. Truly, we can be together everywhere as we build the courage and capacity to Meet the Moment.”

Here's your chance to experience an amazing opportunity to be a part of our larger fellowship.

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UUA GENERAL ASSEMBLY

JUNE 14 - 21, 2026

MEET THE MOMENT: TOGETHER EVERYWHERE

Soundbites

Curious, isn't it?

I have to admit, I don't feel like a curious person. I don't think I am very adventurous, or feel the need to test the waters to "what if". These days especially, I do my best to just live in the moment and deal with whatever comes my way. Do I wonder which birds are making certain songs every morning? Sure, and my Merlin app lets me identify that. Am I better off knowing which bird sings which song, or would I just be ok with enjoying the music from those small creatures without having to know who sings what?

And, then there are examples in life where the curious takes on new challenges. When humans travel into space and circle the moon. A person who wants to run in a marathon in every state. A composer who wants to mix up different sounds and tonalities that would "normally" not go together. These are experiments in trust for sure.

Yet, there are people who never venture far from their home. Not curious about the spaces around them; perfectly content to just exist. Or, the musician who has written some good music in the past but doesn't create anymore (I guess that would be me). I guess like a lot of things, it is a personal preference. Certainly not a judgement call on my end.

I am grateful for those who explore the boundaries of curiosity and what it can give to all of us who care to take part. Because, "Life is the greatest gift of all...so treasure it and measure it with deeds of shining worth".

See y'all in church,
Sarah Dan

SCHEDULE:

Sunday, May 3 - Sarah Dan
Sunday, May 10 - Will Gunn
Sunday, May 17 - Sarah Dan and Choir
Sunday, May 24 - Sarah Dan
Sunday, May 31 - Sarah Dan and Choir



THURSDAYS - Choir meets every Thursday 5-6pm in the sanctuary

Office Admin Schedule September through June

Tuesday and Wednesday: 12:30PM - 5:30PM

Thursday 9:00AM - 1:00 PM

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

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 Com-pas de Nicaragua. It is available either whole bean or ground, \$20.00 per pound.

Please Contact Bob and Jane Clay, claysusanj@gmail.com or 603-996-1207, to make arrangements for pick-up or delivery.



Outreach Offering May/June 2026

The Reproductive Freedom Fund of New Hampshire (RFFNH) was founded in 2019 to meet the need in New Hampshire for an accessible source of financial aid for abortions and other reproductive health care. Thousands of people seek abortions in New Hampshire every year, but many struggle to afford the cost. RFFNH is a community-driven fund that can help break down the various barriers patients face in accessing care.

RFFNH recognizes that reproductive justice is not a singular issue, but one that is multi-faceted and comprehensive. We envision and strive for a world in which members of all communities feel empowered to make autonomous, informed, and safe decisions regarding their reproductive systems. With the right to abortion under attack like never before, they seek to help all in need of this care.

To date, The Reproductive Freedom Fund of NH has:

- Funded over \$400,000 in abortion care
- Helped over 550 in-state patients from across New Hampshire, and over 250 out-of-state patients access abortion care from other 35 other states

This organization is also working to recruit and train drivers to assist with providing services around the state, including in Plymouth and make other assistance in the Plymouth area.



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Monthly Special Collections Totals for FY26

From the Office of the Treasurer – Jennifer Gentry

September	\$1,364	Head Start
October	\$2,092	PACC
November	\$2,547	Common Man for Ukraine
December	\$8,229	Minister's Discretionary
January	\$1,934	Planned Parenthood
February	\$1,221	NH Community Bail Fund
March	\$1,123	PAREI
April	\$2,951	Got Lunch

Included \$200 each month
from the Endowment Committee.

Guest Wi-Fi

Need connectivity? The login and password for our guest Wi-Fi account is posted in the sanctuary on the back sound cabinet, in the upstairs and downstairs foyer, and in the small downstairs meeting room. Thanks to Phil Haskell for setting it up and to Jennifer Sprague for creating and printing signage.

From your DRE - Religious Exploration

This month in Religious Exploration, the children have been spending time with the theme of *Exploring Possibilities*. With the guidance of Madeline and the many wonderful RE volunteers, the kids have explored the UU value of *transformation*, acknowledging that things can always change and that we have power to influence those changes for the better. They played games and engaged in several art activities to creatively express their thoughts on these themes. The group also celebrated Earth Day one week by learning a variety of Earth-themed yoga poses, including Mountain, Eagle, Tree, Butterfly, Deer, Turtle, and Resting Bear Pose. Madeline will be with us for one more week before she heads home for summer vacation. We will be excited to welcome her back to the Fellowship when she returns to the area in the Fall!



The Youth Group is about to depart on their long-awaited trip to Costa Rica. On Monday, April 27th, the group will make the journey south - flying from Boston to Liberia, Costa Rica, where I will be waiting to greet them. We will travel together up into the mountains to the town of Monteverde, Costa Rica. The group will be staying at a lodge called the *Estación del Campo*, in the small neighboring town of San Luis, where they will have access to an expansive network of trails through the cloud forest and a spot to swim in the beautiful San Luis river. Our first full day together will be spent exploring this forest ecosystem and learning about the immense biodiversity of this part of the world. In the afternoon, the group will tour a local coffee farm. The next day, we will attend a Quaker Meeting for Worship at the local Quaker school and hike in a different area of forest. That afternoon will be spent visiting and volunteering at the local public library and exploring the town center. On Thursday, the group will get the chance to hike again, this time up to a view point where we can see much of the San Luis valley, and in the afternoon they will visit and tour a nearby sugar cane farm and observe how the cane is processed into the final product that gets sold. On the final day, the group will visit the local community cultural center, *Ri-ochante*. There, the group will spend some time learning about the project and its history and significance to the community, and then they will help with some trail maintenance and a painting project. Throughout the whole week the group will have many chances to practice their Spanish and try many new foods that can only be found in the tropics. On May, 24th, the Youth Group will offer a worship service to share about their experiences with the Fellowship. Thank you to everyone who has supported the Youth Group and helped make this trip possible!

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***Sunday, May 24 the Youth Group will
Share their experiences in Costa Rica
with the Fellowship***



Climate Action Committee

Most members of our fellowship are customers of New Hampshire Electric Co-op. As such, we have the opportunity to vote for the board of directors and have a voice in how the NHEC operates. Members should be receiving their ballots in May, along with the slate of candidates and biographies of each one. The candidates are listed on their website now, not their bios yet, but they are always included with the ballot. Four candidates have been nominated by the nominating committee of NHEC, and two petitioned to be on the ballot. Until we can read their bios, we can't know their support of renewable sources of energy, and which candidates we would prefer based on that support. I expect this is important to most of us.

As Nancy pointed out in last month's newsletter, NHEC does not seem to be moving very quickly toward renewables. Sadly, New Hampshire is lagging behind much of the country, coming in 27th in renewable generation in 2024. Much of the current conversation in New Hampshire seems to be focusing on building small nuclear reactors rather than improving solar and wind. I have read some of our state politicians arguing against increased infrastructure for solar and wind, saying the sun doesn't always shine or the wind doesn't always blow. They ignore the fact that significant improvements in battery storage can help offset those conditions. The current situation should show them that oil and gas may not always flow reliably either, or can become very costly quickly.

For the members of NHEC, the most important thing we can do is support candidates who push for more renewables. Over time, as more like-minded candidates run for the board, the potential to replace those who don't value renewable energy could change the approach the NHEC takes toward greener energy. You are encouraged to attend the annual meeting of the NHEC, which will be at Owl's Nest Resort on June 16. More details and the registration form are available on their website if you want to attend.

On behalf of Nancy and myself, this is our last article until fall. I am happy to have joined up with Nancy on the climate team (all both of us!), and I have already learned much from her. She is very passionate about this topic.

Don Crowell

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Did you know?

With our on-line directory, Simple Church, you can connect with your Starr King family anytime, anywhere, by phone, email or text ?

Go to our website, click on Member Resources, then scroll down to Simple Church

OR...go to:

skuuf.simplechurchcrm.com

OR...download the Simple Church app

Logging in for the first time?

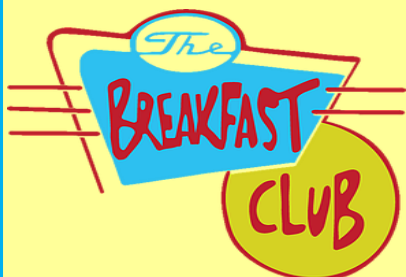
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Click on "Forgot password" if you have never set up a password or if you've forgotten yours

Need help? Ask Janet Englund or Kathy Kelsey

Activities



Breakfast Club

May 8, 2026

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 for under \$10. Parking is in Lot #204 across the street from the dining hall.

After breakfast, Angie will give us a tour of the new Plymouth Soapworks facility. Contact Deedie at deediekriebel@gmail.com for more information and a parking pass.



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Second Sunday Hike

May 10, 2026

Join us for a Mother's Day hike of the Castle in the Clouds Brook Walk Trail. Anne Packard will be guiding this hike! It's an easy trail including 7 waterfalls, and can

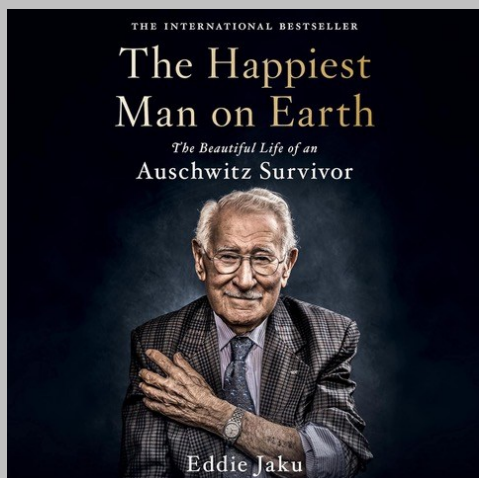
be hiked in one hour. Shannon Pond at the top of the trail has some impressive fish in it! The Bob House is close by for refreshments after the hike. We plan to leave at 11:30 AM after the service from the lower parking lot at Starr King. If you plan to join us, contact Deedie at deediekriebel@gmail.com for more information and updates.



Rev. Linda to speak at Time Capsule Event May 16

The 1976-time capsule, buried in front of the Plymouth Town Hall, will be dug up on Saturday, May 16th, at 4 p.m. A new capsule will then be buried, intended for discovery in 2076, fifty years from now. Rev. Linda has been invited to speak about a vision for humankind at the event, Her words will then be preserved in the new time capsule. Please consider contributing your own letter, photo, or mementos from your family or our Fellowship.. Contributions must be submitted at the town hall by May 8. Download a submission form at this link. [Submission Form](#)





Starr King On-Line Book Group

Tuesday, May 12, 3:30 to 5:00

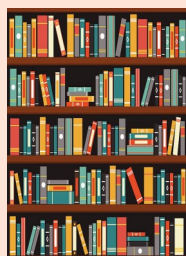
The discussion will be led by Bill Trought

A complete list of book selections for the 2025-2026 year can be found at www.starrkingfellowship.org/interest-groups.

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

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.

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DRUUMM Worship Service

(Diverse and Revolutionary Unitarian Universalist Multicultural Ministries)

UU Ministers and Musicians of Color have been presenting an Annual Worship Service as a fundraiser to help UUs of Color attend their conferences. Our Fellowship (through our Endowment Fund) has been one of the sponsors of this service for many years. In return, the zoom link is shared with us so we can watch the service "live". This year the service will take place on Thursday, May 14th starting at 8:00 PM EST. We are also given a recording of the service to be shown at a later date. (For example, this could be used as one of our summer services.)



Grounded in the spiritual leadership of people of color, this service will offer music, preaching, and reflection to nourish resilience, deepen connection, and inspire action. Free and open to all. RSVP at druumm.org/events

For questions about this service, please contact member Cindy Spring.

Celebrate World Labyrinth Day
Saturday, May 2, 2026
1:00 p.m.



Join us!
Walk as ONE at 1
for PEACE.

Thousands of people around the world come together each year to celebrate the labyrinth experience and the power of collective intention.

We invite you to bring words and thoughts of peace.
Meet above the parking lot behind the church.

Starr King UU Fellowship
101 Fairgrounds Road
Plymouth, NH
(603)536-8908
www.starrkingfellowship.org



We invite you to participate in “Walk as One at 1” at our own Starr King labyrinth. Every year on the first Saturday in May thousands of people around the globe participate in World Labyrinth Day as a walking meditation for world peace and planetary healing. Join us as we participate in creating a rolling, global wave of peaceful energy as we gather from one time zone to the next. Meet with us as we mindfully unite to walk our labyrinth with meditative music and songs of peace.

Gather at the rear, lower entry to the Fellowship at 1:00PM.

For more information contact: Darlene Nadeau or Kathy Kelsey

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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 Getting to Know UU class 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 Member Engagement 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 and contributes to the Fellowship but 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.