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**This Sunday's Service**  
**October 8th, 2023 10am**  
**Radical Welcome and**  
**Inclusion**  
**Pastor Jacqueline Duhart**  
**With Mavis Cauffman, Worship**  
**Leader and Eileen Soskin, Special**  
**Music and Accompanist**

**Please join us in person or on**  
**Zoom.**

What is it? Can we do it? How do we do it? Let's get to it! Come be with our guest speaker and each other to explore the joys and sorrows of radical welcome and inclusion.

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"Our offering will benefit SCFS ([Sduhubs Cultural and Family Services](#)), a 501c non-profit providing, among other services, food and energy vouchers to members of The Snohoish Tribe of Indians. "

**Service Link**

If you have trouble joining our Zoom meeting, email [webmaster@uucwi.org](mailto:webmaster@uucwi.org) for help.

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**Next Sunday's Service**  
**October 15th, 2023 10am**  
**Listen...**  
**For the Small, Still Voice**  
**Within**  
**Jeanne R Strong**  
**With Eileen Soskin, Worship**  
**Leader and Jane Hayes, Special**  
**Music**

*Collage by JRS*

Quakers believe that everyone has a divine light within. To hear the soft, wordless communication of God requires that we seek and create stillness. How can each of us make space to hear that small, still voice within? What happens when we are able to make that space? Quakers believe that silent contemplation leads to actions that facilitate the end of social injustice and the creation of a more benevolent world.

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## This Week's Calendar

[Click here](#) to view our full UUCWI  
Calendar.

Click on blue titles for Zoom link.

Check out our [Members and  
Friends Facebook Page](#).

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### ***Friday, October 6***

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### ***Saturday, October 7***

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### ***Sunday, October 8***

10:00 [Worship Service](#) (Zoom & In Person)

Book Talk After Service

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### ***Monday, October 9***

1 - 3pm Chime Rehearsal (Cascade Room)

4 - 6:30pm NCI Indigenous People's Day Celebration

6:30 - 7:30pm NCI Film Screening

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### ***Tuesday, October 10***

10am - noon [Membership Committee](#)

10am - noon [Worship Committee](#)

3:30 - 4:30pm [Caring Circle](#)

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### ***Wednesday, October 11***

10am - Noon [Men's Group](#)

11am - 12:30pm Women's Group (Various Locations)

7 - 8:30 [Famous Poetry Share](#)

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### ***Thursday, October 12***

10 - 11am [Engagement Committee](#)

11am - Noon [Stewardship](#)

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## Announcements and News

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### Board Briefs

#### Leadership Council

REMINDER: Leadership Council Meeting on Saturday, October 14 from 10:00-12N in the sanctuary.

While the precise agenda is still being finalized by the BOT, it will include an important presentation about the new website; updates on finances and minister status; discussion of purpose and role of Leadership Council; and who will lead this team. All are welcome.

#### Board Meeting

The BOT will meet on Tuesday, October 10, from 2:30-4:30 pm in the front meeting room to organize the upcoming Leadership Council meeting and to outline a timeline for consideration of the question of a minister. Members are welcome to witness the meeting in real time.

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## Building Security at UUCWI

Please read and understand the process for unlocking and locking the building.

When you open the building you assume responsibility that it is properly locked up later. If you depart before you lock it up, you must pass this responsibility to another reliable person. If there is no person who can accept this responsibility, then ask the occupants to move their meeting to another location, empty, and lock up the building. If there is any confusion, your group may be charged a \$30 custodial opening/closing fee for each

future use of the building.

All users must agree to carefully follow this 2-step procedure each and every time when opening or locking the building:

**First, the key box.** Do this every time you access the key.

1. Open the lock box, remove the key, unlock or lock the door, immediately return the key to the lock box, close up the lock box, spin the combination, close the shutter.

2. Never leave the lock box combination exposed. Protect it. Always spin the dials.

**Second, the Security Check List.** Do this every time you lock up the building.

1. Physically push each sanctuary-patio door to assure it is firmly latched at both the top and bottom of the door.

2. Walk through the building checking each exit and each window to confirm that they are secure.

Thank you.

Gene Berg, Building and Grounds Committee

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## Pastoral Care & Connections at UUCWI

UUCWI offers comfort and presence when times of trauma and distress

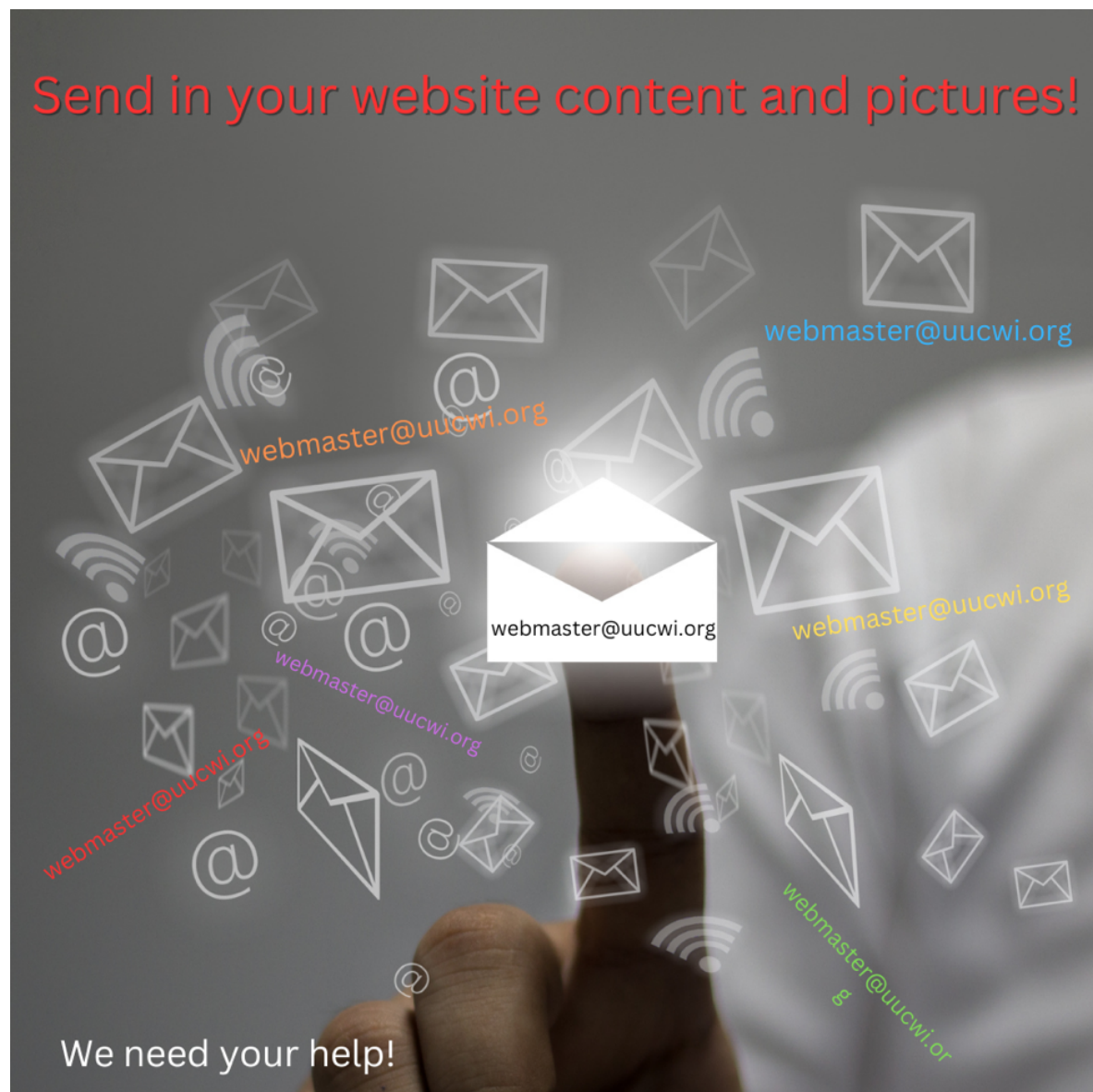


touch our lives. We have a pastoral care team which includes Rev. Kate Lore, our interim minister for pastoral care. If you or someone you know might benefit from this offering please consider contacting our coordinator, Bill Graves, at [pastor@uucwi.org](mailto:pastor@uucwi.org).

UUCWI also has a Caring Connections team that can provide needed short-term support of a logistical nature (food, a ride to medical, etc.). To make requests email Mavis Cauffman, our coordinator of these types of services, at [caringconnections@uucwi.org](mailto:caringconnections@uucwi.org).

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## Send in your website content and pictures!



We need your help!

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## UU Hikes

Friday, October 13<sup>th</sup>

11am - 2pm

Rain or Shine

(Yes, the 13<sup>th</sup>)

### **Saratoga Woods to Waterman Rock**

Join in a 2-3 mile hike through Saratoga Woods, north of Langley, out to Waterman Rock. Want to see an amazing glacial erratic? This trip is for you.

**Meeting Location:** Saratoga Woods parking lot at 4246 E. Saratoga Road, Langley. From downtown Langley, it's approximately 2.8 miles and the parking lot is on the left. Sorry, no bathrooms at the trailhead.

**Other information:**

Your fearless leader will be Clara Beier. Please email her if you plan to attend.

[Link for hiking map](#) and additional information on Saratoga Woods

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# UUCWI 2023-2024 ARTIST SERIES FALL SEASON

## OCTOBER

**Saturday, October 21, 7 PM - An Evening of Jazz**

Pax Wallace, composer and keyboard, with Seattle musicians from the jazz scene

Unitarian Universalist Congregation of Whidbey Island Artist Series  
Presents:

## FORGOTTEN DREAMS, FACES, AND PLACES

**PAX WALLACE**  
composer/lyricist/pianist

**WITH KELLEY JOHNSON**  
lyricist/vocalist



AN EVENING OF ORIGINAL,  
HARMONICALLY ADVANCED JAZZ

Also performing:  
**Jay Thomas**, wind instruments  
**Scott Swanberg**, bass  
and **George Bullis**, drums

**SATURDAY,  
OCT. 21 - 7:00PM**

Suggested Donation  
\$25 at the Door  
All proceeds go to the musicians

20103 WA-525, FREELAND, WA

## NOVEMBER

**Saturday, November 18, 7 PM** —Trio Rasa, Gloria Ferry-Brennan, violin,  
Aniela Marie Perry, cello, Sheila Weidendorf, piano with special guest,  
Troy Chapman, guitar

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## Samhain Gathering

October 30, 5:00-6:00 pm  
UUCWI

Come share in the ancient Celtic tradition honoring the end of summer and the beginning of winter, a time when bonfires were lit and stories were shared. It is liminal time when the veil between the world grows thin, a time of remembering and honoring the ancestors.

Please bring a picture, token, or symbol of someone, or beloved animal for the ritual.

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## 2nd Hour Initiative

After Sunday Services  
11:00 - 12:00

11:30 - 12:30

Members and Friends, please suggest topics for discussion, crafts, music share, etc. by [emailing](#).

**2H October 8**

- **Book Talk, facilitated by the Library Committee**

*Book Talk* gives members/friends an opportunity to connect in-person and to get to know one another better by talking about books! Please consider joining us this coming Sunday!

Each participant is encouraged to talk about one, maybe two, books they have enjoyed reading and want to recommend to others. Haven't read anything you want to recommend this past month? Come anyway to hear about what others are reading!

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## End of the Month Potlucks

On the last Sunday of the month, we'll have a no mess, no fuss potluck! Everyone will bring their own service, including cups, glasses and a beverage. Any cleaning up and putting back of tables and chairs will be done by the attendees. If you forgot your service, borrow ours and wash it.

**Next EOM Potluck is October 29**

We've really enjoyed getting to know each other a bit better by easy questions and deeper ones on slips of paper (your choice).

Last names A-H Please bring a main dish

I-P Please bring a salad or veggie

Q-Z bread or a dessert

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Descriptions of activities can be found [here](#).

Calendar of events can be found [here](#).

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*Image by DJ Winebrinner*

## Women's Group

All Meetings 11:00am - 12:30pm

### Wednesdays In Person at Various Locations

May be at a variety of impromptu locations by group members for activities together like having coffee, shopping, walking trails, visit studio or nurseries, going out to eat, etc. Sign up on our email list to receive those invites. Contact DJ Winebrinner by phone or email.

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## UUCWI Initiative News

[New Initiative Proposal Form Link](#)

| Mission Group Liaisons   |                 |
|--|-----------------|
| <b>Spiritual Development</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Visual Arts Committee</li> <li>• Music Committee</li> <li>• Worship Committee</li> </ul> | Toyana Copeland |
| <b>Member Service</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Membership</li> <li>• Library</li> </ul>  | Clara Beier     |

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Engagement Development</li> </ul>  |                                  |
| <b>Technology</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Tech Team</li> <li>Internet</li> </ul>                     | Janet Garrow                     |
| <b>Building and Grounds</b>   | John Long<br>and Don Winebrinner |
| <b>Finance</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Finance</li> <li>Stewardship</li> </ul>                       | Lois Chowen                      |
| <b>Community Outreach</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>New Initiatives</li> <li>Social Justice</li> </ul> | Rommel Nunn                      |

## Native Connections Initiative



**OCTOBER NEWSLETTER:** Click [here](#)

### **DEDICATED OFFERING DURING OCTOBER 8 UUCWI SERVICE:**

In honor of Indigenous Peoples' Day, worship leaders for this Oct 8 service will dedicate the offering to our local Snohomish Tribe (known as the sduhubs). Offerings will go to their non-profit, sduhubs Cultural and Family Services.

### **OCTOBER NCI MEETING: Indigenous People's Day, October 9, 4:00 pm -- 6:00 pm, in-person at UUCWI**

Instead of meeting on the 2nd Wednesday, we will be gathering in person (!) on **Monday, October 9**, to celebrate Indigenous Peoples' Day. The event will be led by local Indigenous people from the Snohomish Tribe, and the NCI is grateful to be a co-sponsor. The wider Whidbey community is warmly invited. We are thrilled that we can gather in the UUCWI sanctuary. There will be traditional storytelling, song, dance, and light



snacks.

The Tribe especially hopes that those who volunteered for the Blue Heron Canoe Landing will attend, as they have special gifts to give out in gratitude for our friendship and support. [See poster here.](#)

**MEANINGFUL MOVIES, *Covenant of the Salmon People*, Oct 9, 6:30 pm ONLINE**

Join Meaningful Movies Port Townsend for their online screening of [Covenant of the Salmon People](#). A community discussion with special guests will follow the film.

[Zoom Link for Event](#)

**TWO RIVERS DOCUMENTARY and the November 8 NCI Meeting:**

If you missed the showing of this film on September 13, you can stream it free by going to the website: [Methow Valley Interpretive Center website](#). We plan to hold a discussion on this film during our November meeting, on the 2nd Wednesday, November 8, and hear from the filmmakers about how events have unfolded in the Methow Valley between Native and non-Native people since 2003.

**SK'ALI-CH'ELH-TENAUT comes home:**

The ashes of Sk'aliCh'elh-tenaut / Tokitae / Lolita have come home to the Salish Sea and her relatives in the Lummi Nation. On Sunday, September 24th, Squil-le-he-le (Raynell Morris) spoke on TokiTV about accompanying Toki's ashes home and returning them to the Salish Sea in the private Lummi ceremony on September 23rd. You can watch the recording, "TokiTV 09/24/2023 Gathering for Sk/aliCh'elh-tenaut" on [YouTube here](#).

**ACTION: SK'ALI-CH'ELH-TENAUT'S LEGACY: Breach the Lower Snake Dams**

Those who have been working tirelessly for decades to bring Sk'aliCh'elh-tenaut home ask us to turn now to save the wild salmon runs that are the source of food for the Southern Resident Orcas. This is Sk'aliCh'elh-tenaut's legacy. Two excellent sources of information [here](#) and [here](#).

**INDIGENOUS NEWS SOURCES:** If you'd like to stay current on the

news from Indigenous people and their communities, here are some excellent sources:

[Native News Online](#)

[Indian Country Today](#)

[High Country News, Indigenous Affairs](#)

[Seattle Crosscut, Indigenous Affairs](#)

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## Supporters of United Student Leaders Initiative



[Youth Activist Helen Mancini Speaks to Elders For Climate Action](#) about her work and experience at the End Fossil Fuels March in NYC where 75,000 people demonstrated.

**Helping Youth in Trying Times** - In recognition of the psychosocial impacts of these times the Biden administration has launched the [Children and Youth Resilience Prize Challenge](#) which will award prizes to innovative

community-led solutions to promote resilience in children and adolescents affected by the COVID-19 pandemic and other man-made or natural disasters. The Challenge is recognized as part of the [President's Unity Agenda and Mental Health Strategy](#).

### **USL Semi-Weekly Community Meeting**

To join the meeting, [please use this Zoom link on Friday, 10/6 at 5:00pm](#) or enter this meeting ID: 874 3527 8453. You can also call (253) 215-8782 and enter meeting ID: 874 3527 8453.

Gary Piazzon on behalf of USL

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### **Members and Friends Facebook Group**

UUCWI has a Members and Friends Facebook Group to encourage sharing information, resources, and discussions. Check it out [here](#).

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## **Social Justice**

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"May we be the people we are called to be." UUA President Susan Fredrick-Grey



**Gun Violence & Voting Rights** A [Recent Study](#) by the Brennan Center For Justice demonstrates that the US Supreme Court by restraining attempts to limit gun violence is promoting it with chilling effects on voting and elections. The study explains that "in 2010, only two states let people carry concealed firearms in public without a permit or background check. Now, 27 states allow 'permitless carry.' While other states have strengthened gun regulations during this period, the Supreme Court has threatened their ability to do so." [This report](#) evaluates the new risks that gun violence poses for U.S. elections and proposes policy solutions to limit those risks.

### **Reform vs Revolution**

["Its not the climate its the system"](#) - Chris Hedges Interviews [Extinction Rebellion's](#) co-founder Roger Hallam in this deeply thoughtful assessment of where we are, why, who's at fault and what can be done. A must for the thoughtful.

### [Youth Climate Justice Activist Appeals to Elders](#)

### **Coming to WICA this Month: Two Topics of Great interest to UUs**

[Thoreau At Home](#) - poet & novelist, now playwright, David Wagoner captures the spirit and philosophy of Unitarian transcendentalist Henry David Thoreau while actor Todd Jefferson Moore embodies it, bringing Thoreau to life. Thoreau recognized the dangers of an exclusively commercial America and tried to show in all his words and actions, in the whole flavor of his life, a richer alternative.

[Evergreen](#) - this short documentary captures the amazing work of Whidbey Environmental Action network's founders Marianne Edain & Steve Erickson whose work has shaped Island County and impacted policy and places in Washington State and abroad. Meet the founder and filmmakers after the film. "If you don't know WEAN, you don't know Whidbey Island."

C U at the theater

*"If you're not concerned about the climate crisis you are not concerned"*





**Editing:** The eNews editor will review each submission. Any post needing substantive editing will be returned and will need to be re-submitted.

**All submissions for eNews are due by  
WEDNESDAY AT NOON.**

**Please send all submissions to UU Staff at [admin@uucwi.org](mailto:admin@uucwi.org).**

*Thank you!*



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