

Welcome!

Our church strives to accommodate all who come to worship with us. If you need help, please ask.

We are glad you are here!

- ~The handicap entrance/exit is through the Gathering Place doors.
- ~A wheelchair is available.
- ~Large print hymnals are available.
- ~Hearing devices are available.
- ~The elevator to all three floors is in the Hallway outside the Gathering Place.
- ~The worship service can be heard upstairs in The MacKenzie Room, next door in The Gathering Place and downstairs in the Vestry

CUF Calendar

Today: Sunday, December 15
 9:00 am Bell Choir Reh. -Sanctuary
 10:00 am Worship – Sanctuary
 12:00 pm Girl Scouts-Vestry
 4:00 pm Euphony Concert-Sanctuary

Monday December 16
 5:30 pm Still Water Sangha–MacKenzie
 6:30 pm TNTheater-Vestry

Tuesday December 17
 1 to 3 pm Orono Comm. Gift dropoff-GP
 6:00 pm Heart Rhythm Medit – Library
 6:30 pm TNTheater-Vestry

Wednesday December 18
 6:00 pm Choir Rehearsal – Sanctuary
 6:30 pm TNTheater-Gathering Place

Thursday December 19
 No Bible Study
 5:30 pm Pilates-Gathering Place
 6:30 pm Bell Choir Reh.-MacKenzie
 7:00 pm TNTheater - Vestry

Friday December 20
 10:00 am Art Group-MacKenzie Room

Saturday December 21
 7:00 pm Mount View Singers-Sanc.

Sunday December 22
 9:00 am Bell Choir Reh.-Sanctuary
 11:45 am Caroling at Dirigo Pines
 11:45 am Poinsettia deliveries

Church Staff

Dr. Laura Artesani.....Organist
 Dr. Sonja Birthisel & Avi Rude.....
 YAWP Teachers
 Rachel Dobbs.....Hand Bell Choir Director
 Steffi Egenhofer.....Church Administrator
 and Lay Ministries Coordinator
 Pam Frace.....Nursery Caregiver
 Nancy Hall.....Caretaker
 Rev. Mariah Hayden.....Minister
 Rev. Malcolm Himschoot.....Minister
 Sarah Marx McGill.....Dir. of Children and
 Youth Ministries
 Kara Starr.....Accountant
 Barbara Turner.....Resource Specialist
 Francis Vogt..... Choir Director

Welcome to the Church of Universal Fellowship, a house for all people. We welcome persons of every age, background, circumstance, ethnicity, family configuration, gender identity, and sexual orientation. We believe that diversity enriches our faith community and that each of us has a right and responsibility to support one another as we search for the divine by living, learning, and growing.

~ TODAY ~

Choir Rehearsal 9:00 am The Sanctuary
Morning Worship 10:00 am The Sanctuary
 Nursery, Sunday School, YAWP Youth Group
Coffee and Conversation 11:00 am Gathering Place

Coming Right Up!

Choir Rehearsal Wednesday, December 18 at 6:00 pm Sanctuary
Bible Study Bible Study will start again in January.
 Stay tuned for a new Bible Study format.

Please Save the Dates!

Poinsettias for the Altar



If you wish to provide a poinsettia for the church this holiday season, in memory, honor, or celebration of someone, please call the church office at 866-3655 by **Monday, December 16**. The flowers are \$15 each. We are delivering donated poinsettias to homebound members of our congregation on Sunday, December 22 after worship.



Orono Commons Christmas Gifts

Tuesday, December 17 from 1 to 3 pm in the Gathering Place. Drop off your wrapped and labeled gifts and enjoy a cup of coffee or tea, and some cookies!



Mount View Singers: Carols in the Round, Saturday, December 21 at 7 pm

This Mount View High School a cappella group performs beautiful Christmas music by candlelight. Come to the serene CUF sanctuary and enjoy this magical performance. You will be glad you came!



CUF Christmas Caroling at Dirigo Pines

Next Sunday - December 22 – right after church!
 We will meet in the Gathering Place at Coffee Hour and organize carpooling for anyone who needs it. Don't miss your chance to spread some cheer!



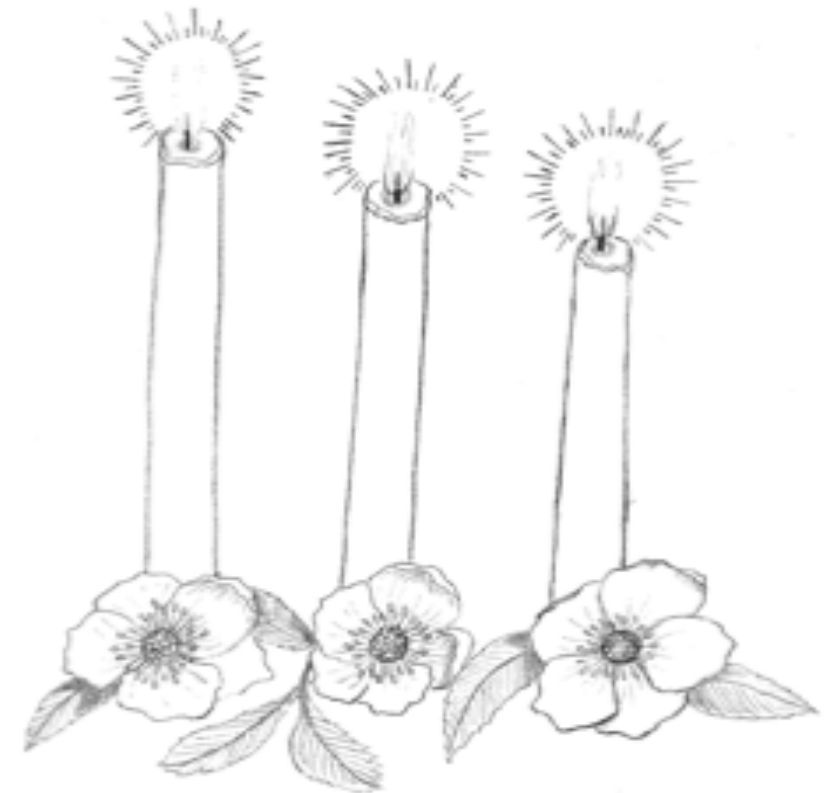
Calling All Bakers - 'Tis the Season !

Christmas is just around the corner! With Christmas come special concerts and social gatherings at CUF. If you bake Christmas cookies would you make an extra batch for church? Thank you for all you do!

Hannaford Gift Cards Now Available!

\$100 gift cards are available again at the church office. CUF will get \$5.00 for each card we sell. You can buy your groceries with the card or you can choose a variety of other ways to use it. With the holiday season coming up, you can use a \$100 gift card to purchase a variety of gift cards at Hannaford's gift card rack such as gift cards to Applebee's, iTunes or Lowes. Hannaford offers many choices of gift cards, so once you buy your \$100 Hannaford Gift Card from CUF, you can use it to buy all kinds of gift cards in various denominations at Hannaford's. This is a win-win program offered by Hannaford **in support of non-profit organizations.**

Need a Christmas present for the foodie in your life? Alma made some delicious jams to benefit the Heifer Fund. Jams are \$4.00 and located next to the Gathering Place kitchen.



Three Candles by Beverly Antonitis

The Church of Universal Fellowship

...a house for all people

Third Sunday in Advent

December 15, 2019

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| Ministers | Reverend Hayden and Reverend Himschoot and Members of the Congregation |
| Organist/Pianist | Dr. Laura Artesani |
| Bell Choir Director | Rachel Dobbs |
| Greeters | Kevin and Kendra Ritchie |
| Usher | Tricia Griffith |
| Liturgist | Barbara Turner |
| Hospitality | Ed Brazee |
| Offering Plate | Leah Vetelino and Sonja Birthisel |
| Sunday School | Rachel Dobbs, Abby Jernigan, Emily Hasbrouck |
| YAWP Teachers | Avi Rude and Dr. Sonja Birthisel |
| Nursery Care | Pam Frace |

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