



Building Community with Compassion, Service, Diversity, and Spirit

We express compassion through caring, love and support for others.

We serve by promoting our principles and purposes through leadership, giving and action.

We are inspired by diversity to accept, respect and celebrate differences and interdependence.

We grow in spirit through our religious experiences, inquiry, education, reflection and transformation.

Minister's Gleamings

The creak of the old rocker does something amazing to even the faintest of recollections. After months of expectation, even pining for the gentle scent of the house, saturated from a century of wood smoke that has instilled its sweet aroma into the convoluted places of the mind from which memories are made. Taking in that moment, embraced by the arms of the rocker, and committing this time to memory, once again settled in the homestead that has held so much happiness and grief shared with so many.

In Bryant Pond, Maine, I treasure these odors, that open the joyful crevices of cognitive awareness, which are all too often far between—yet those sights, sounds and smells we keep coming back to, if not in reality, are found in the sensory images that fuel our growing need for comfort and well being that comes with age. As the memories deepen, and twilight of pleasant catatonia descends, the predecessor to a deep sense of spiritual awakening, another familiar odor permeates my reverie. One eye reluctantly opened to survey the origin, reveals a familiar black and white streak waddling across the yard, depositing his unique brand of foul perfume into my fantasies.

However, all is not lost, the kayak awaits. There is not another soul on the lake. The fluffy white cumulus clouds are rapidly transforming, darkening and mushrooming upward, like a gaggle of Pillsbury doughboys, but there is still time to get in a short paddle. With a frosty diet coke and lifejacket in place, I head out toward the island.

The lake is mirrored glass and the sensation of flying above the clouds, as they reflect on the surface of the water, is almost unnerving. The feeling of height and depth is remarkable. With not a ripple to betray reality, I felt as if I would simply drop into an abyss of blue between the clouds, like one would imagine falling out of a plane. The smell of a rain laden sky signals time to return to shore, leaving behind a new image to treasure.

One can never predict what surprises we may encounter, when experiences planned are disrupted. Had not the skunk ventured into my dreams I would have missed another remarkable act of nature that came and went so quickly.

Summer brings that kind of magic and beauty and as I leave my summer home to prepare for the coming year, I suspect that there will be many more miracles ahead that we will be privileged to share together.



See you all in church, Sincerely, Holly

Seeking Nursery Care Coordinator

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SUNDAY MORNINGS AT FIRST UU

SERVICES START AT 10:30 AM

- Sept 6 "A UU Pagan Sunday Service" (service at 10:00) Presented by CNY CUUPs September celebrates a full moon on the 5th, labor, harvest and equinox as well as the religious observances of two major faiths.
- Sept 13 Ingathering Sunday, Water Communion Service. –Rev. Holly Baylies
- Sept. 20 "Who Are The UU's?" –Rev. Holly Baylies
- Sept. 27 "Our Universalist Legacy" – presented by Barry Lentz . The coming year provides a unique opportunity for us to consider, as a congregation, the nature of our identity as a people of faith. On October 31st we will celebrate the 50th anniversary of the birth of Unitarian Universalism which occurred right here in Syracuse New York. In the spring we will celebrate 150th anniversary of the incorporation of this congregation which was founded on April 2, 1860. At the time of its founding the First Universalist Society of Syracuse, the congregation was called together to worship a benevolent God who bestowed salvation on all. Much has changed since then and it has been a long time since we have been called together to glorify the benevolent God of the founders of our faith. In this worship service we will explore the current meaning of Universalism and the promise it calls us to serve.



Holly's sermons are available. Please email her at firstuurev@twcny.rr.com to request a copy.



INGATHERING SUNDAY SEPTEMBER 13th WATER COMMUNION SERVICE

The water we bring and offer for the Water Communion service is representative of the value we place on water as a life force, used not only to nourish and sustain our bodies, but also in our rituals as we welcome a new life into our church community.

*In the past it may have been seen as an opportunity to discuss our various travels during the summer, however this year, as we welcome visitors to the church on our opening Sunday, water will be available to all who wish to participate. **Water from home faucets is just as significant as that from the Galapagos Islands, as the intent is to bring a personal meaning to this life force that sustains us.***

Please feel free to bring water from a place of meaning to you, in a few words mention where it is from and how it has enhanced your communion with the spirit of this life.

President's Report

Welcome and welcome back!

You will immediately notice two exciting improvements to our building, made possible by the financial and time commitments of our members. First, the Fellowship Hall has been painted. After the Building and Grounds Committee determined that the walls demanded special treatment, a number of members responded to an appeal to fund having the work done by a professional contractor. Second, members of the Building and Grounds Committee and the RE Committee have cleaned, painted, and renovated the offices. Members donated the paint. Rev. Holly now occupies the large room that was the RE Director's office, while the RE Director will use the office behind the Secretary's. A member of the B & G Committee rented a trailer and hauled broken furniture and trash to the dump. And you thought nothing happened around First UU in the summer!

The 2009-10 church year presents many opportunities and challenges. You all know that our financial situation is difficult and membership has dropped in the last few years. On the other hand, we offer many exciting programs and activities: the return of our minister, Rev. Holly Baylies, our RE Director, Sonja Lamicella, our Teen Advisor, Glenn Gesek, and our musical leaders, Jon English and John Spradling; many young children ready for a new year in religious education, and numerous activities, planned and potential, for our adults. We have so much to offer at First UU. It would be a shame to keep all this a secret.

Our challenge is to spread the word so that we recruit new members. We can offer even more if there are more of us.

In the meantime, come often to First UU, and not just on Sunday mornings!

Susan King, President of the Board of Trustees

VOLUNTEERISM SEPTEMBER 2009

Volunteers!



What would you like to see us do together? Social action? More Chalice Circles? More people engaged in Adult RE? Spaghetti suppers? Bigger and better garage sales? Concerts? What else? What are you passionate about? What do you care enough about to help make it happen?

Neither the board nor the minister run First UU. First UU is us. We the members, run First UU. We need every one of you to be involved in whatever is your passion. At the very least, each of us needs to serve as an usher-greeter and as a coffee hour host at least twice this year. Beyond that, the RE program is staffed mostly with volunteer teachers. Chalice Circles need facilitators. (This is not a difficult job and comes with instructions!) Without singers Jon and John have no choir. Flowers do not grow themselves in the Sanctuary, arrange themselves either, for that matter! Members who are ill need our support. The garage sale does not run itself and people cannot participate in events they do not know about. We cannot take a stand on important issues unless someone organizes the effort. We were admirably represented at this year's PRIDE parade because Maria Brown organized the effort and recruited people to help and attend. We need to be visible in our community. Our best strategy for attracting new members is to make ourselves known to people who already have UU beliefs and ideas but do not know about us. Even Holly with all her love and energy, cannot minister to us unless we are in accord. We need to be fully present and contributing.

So think about what you want to do or to help with. I'll be calling on you, looking you up in the social hall after church, (please do not run from me, I will get a complex!) and otherwise bugging you!

Your V.P. Diana Bellini



Join us on September 25 from 7-10 p.m. for First UU's first ever **KARAOKE NIGHT!**

We'll have snacks and soft drinks, and enjoy the various voices of the congregation. Remember - karaoke is for everyone. You don't have to "be able to sing" to be able to sing! Give it your best shot and have a good time! No talent scouts in the audience - the only talent we are in search of is people who know how to let their hair down and have a little fun. \$5 donation fee to cover the cost of the equipment rentals. Questions? contact Mindy: mindyhoho@windstream.net.



YOUR HELP NEEDED:

Ushers (upstairs), greeters (downstairs) and social hour help (set up/clean up, people interested in learning the ways of the kitchen) are needed every week!

How to do it:
Sign up on the Big Board.

Need training or information?
Call or write Peg Flanders,
pegflanders@twcny.rr.com, 488-8077
(9 a.m. to 9 p.m.)

6 (Sun)	10:00 am 12:15pm	Worship (S) Chalice Circle (P)	Key: B=Betts Room ER= East Room (room at the end of the RE Wing hall) FH=Fellowship Hall K=Kitchen L=Library (RE Office) MR=Music Room N=Narthex P=Parlor S=Sanctuary TR=Teen Room AR = Archive Room (room behind sanctuary)
8 (Tues)	7:00 pm	Finance Committee Meeting (AR)	
9 (Wed)	1:15 pm	Chalice Circle (P)	
12 (Sat)	10:00 am	Board of Trustees retreat	
13 (Sun)	10:30 am 4:00 pm	Worship (S) NYS Baroque Concert (S)	
14 (Mon)	7:00 pm	Chalice Circle (P)	
15 (Tues)	7:00 pm	Board of Trustees Meeting (P)	
20 (Sun)	9:15 am 10:30 am 11:45 am 12:00 pm 12:15 pm	Caring Team (P) Worship (S) Membership Orientation (AR) POT LUCK (FH) Chalice Circle (P)	
21 (Mon)	7:00 pm 7:00 pm	Green Sanctuary Committee Meeting (P) Marc Adams Speaking Event (S)	
22 (Tues)	7:00 pm	Syracuse PFLAG Meeting (FH)	
23 (Wed)	1:15 pm	Chalice Circle (P)	REMINDER: CHOIR REHERSAL IS HELD ON THURSDAYS (SEPTEMBER 3, 10, 17, AND 24) AT 7:15 PM IN THE SANTUARY
25 (Fri)	9 a - 4 pm 7:00 pm	ST. Lawrence District Meeting (P) KARAOKE NIGHT (FH)	
26 (Sat)	8a - 4 pm	St. Lawrence District Religious Education Meeting (FH)	
27 (Sun)	10:30 am 12:00 pm	Worship (S) UUA Christian Study Group (P)	
28 (Mon)	7:00 pm	Chalice Circle (P)	
29 (Tues)	6:00 pm	Adult Enrichment Soup and Discussion	
Deadline for submissions for next issue: Friday, September 18, for the issue that will cover events from October 1, to November 1, 2009, at firstuu@twcny.rr.com, or in the office.			

AN EVENING WITH TOM CHULAK

Where: May Memorial Unitarian Universalist

When: Friday, September 25, 2009, 6:00 P.M.

What: Potluck and Talk

Our district executive, Tom Chulak, has recently returned from a personal pilgrimage through Jerusalem, Cairo and the Nile, Tanzania, South Africa and Morocco. Tom will share insights from his trip with us after we enjoy a delicious meal together. Join us to vicariously experience this once in a lifetime journey and to learn of Tom's future travel plans.

Please RSVP to Alexa Carter garlex@aol.com if you can. But plan to join us spontaneously if you find you have the evening open unexpectedly. All are welcome.

FROM ME TO UU! REACHING IN AND REACHING OUT WITH OUR UU FAITH



Youth Religious Education News

Nursery: We are seeking a Nursery Care Coordinator for this Fall. Job included providing care on Sunday mornings and several other congregational events through the year or arranging for someone else to do so. Applicant will be comfortable playing with babies, talking to their parents and comforting a crying or distressed child. Infant CPR, Early Childhood Development education and NYS background check for childcare workers a plus. Please contact Sonja Lamicela at firstdre@twcny.rr.com or 315-440-1818 if you are interested.

K-6: We're off to a great start with a committed team of wonderful teachers. We will be introducing the new UUA Curricula from the Tapestry of Faith Project; Moral Tales for Grades K-3, and Toolbox of Faith for 4-6 graders.

Our **Jr. High Students** will be offered OWL this year by the outstanding team of Tanya Gesek and Don Van Stry. Tanya has taught OWL in the past and has a Ph. D. in Psychology and is an experienced school psychologist as well as working in private practice. Don is a Lawyer who specializes in Family Law and has been a UU youth advisor for several years. He has taught safe sex workshops to UU teens and is an experienced foster care and adoptive father with children of all levels of emotional needs.

Sr. High OWL is excited to be continuing with Glenn Gesek as Staff Advisor. They have a full agenda of social justice and community building as well as district involvement coming up this year.

The District Ingathering for Religious Education will be here in Syracuse on September 26. It is open to all people interested in religious Education and I encourage as many of our teachers to attend as possible.

Calendar:	Sept. 13 (12:30 pm)	Parent Orientation for Jr. High OWL
	Sept. 19	Teacher Training and Development
	Sept. 20	Children's Ingathering and Worship / 12:30 pm Student Orientation for Jr. High OWL
	Sept. 27	First Day of RE classes



time.

GREETINGS FROM THE FIRST UU CARING TEAM!

Calling all bakers, cooks, card writers and folks who enjoy visiting or giving rides. Nancy Clausen and Diane Case have agreed to co-facilitate the Caring Team for 2009 – 2010. We along with Rev. Holly invite your participation in this ministry to our fellow members. We are hopeful that a number of people may have a little time to share so that no one person is overburdened. Any member or friend is eligible to help. Hopefully it will work out to a once per month commitment of

Our needs are for people to:

- visit members & friends in the hospital, in nursing homes and also people who are home bound, if they let us know a visit is welcome;
- send get well, sympathy, caring thoughts or congratulations notes to people who share during Joys & Concerns;
- provide transportation for doctor's visits or tests;
- purchase and/ or deliver flowers to shut ins twice a year;
- assist in providing memorial receptions for members;
- occasionally deliver meals to families in crisis.

We anticipate needing to meet twice, once in September to get organized and divide the tasks and once in May to sum up our activities, celebrate our successes and see what we can do better, and to pass on the facilitator batons.

If you know of some one who wants a visit please let Ruth (in the office) or Rev. Holly know.

If you are willing to volunteer or want more input please let Nancy know at nanclausen@twcny.rr.com or call Diane @ 479-7594.



This August, Elyn Lentz pulled a group of us together to make cards for the Caring Committee. Look what great work we did!



Coming in October: Climate Change Colloquy

Expect fireworks this fall as the US government gets ready for the Copenhagen climate change conference in December. Some hope for an international agreement to reduce carbon emissions while others strongly oppose it. The Kyoto Protocol, which the US refused to sign, expires in 2012. The debate may become as heated as the one over health care. Get ready for a deluge of misunderstanding and misinformation about climate change!

The climate change debate has several aspects: the validity and interpretation of the scientific evidence of a significant increase in warming due to greenhouse gases from human activity; how severe and rapid change will be; which policies will reduce the rate of change; how individuals and groups can have a positive impact. Green Sanctuary has focused on the last aspect, encouraging practical ways to save energy and reduce the use of fossil fuels. This is consonant with the religious principles of Unitarian Universalism, especially our seventh principle, respect for the interdependent web of all existence. In fact, this issue involves ALL of our principles.

The US now has an administration committed to reduce the rapid growth in the rate carbon emission due to human activity. It has the will to participate in international efforts to regulate it. We as Unitarian Universalists and US citizens have an opportunity and obligation to ensure that decisions will be made to protect future generations. To this end, Green Sanctuary is offering a forum for meaningful discussion of the issues involved (in short, colloquy) to everyone at First UU and others interested.

Three sessions will take place on Tuesday evenings: October 20, November 17 and December 15. Each session will begin with a brief introduction on some aspect of climate change (scientific, political, social, economic, and religious) followed by a guided discussion. YOU can help make these discussions interesting, meaningful and fun!

Background readings—even some funny ones—will be suggested. For more information contact Fred Lyman at 446-8059 or fmlyman@earthlink.net). This is an effort to involve the whole congregation—all ages and ideas welcome!

Stay tuned....



- Fred Lyman

Adult Enrichment News

► SOUP AND DISCUSSIONS will return on three Tuesday evenings this fall. The group will meet in the parlor at 6 PM for supper, discussion will follow.

- September 29th- Emerson and the Idea of America "...his works helped to produce a vision of America that is still with us today."
- October 13th-Emerson and Transcendentalism "...was a gathering of individuals who were generally suspicious of organized religion---" (Could this be where our problems began?- we might discuss this)
- November 3rd- Emerson's Influence - "Emerson's theological speculations lie behind a whole range of modern ideas about the dangers of religious extremism and dogmatism."

These talks are from a Teaching Company series, "Emerson, Thoreau and the Transcendental movement." Professor Ashlon Nichols of Dickinson College narrates. Roots will be a common theme for many programs. Rick and Gracia Sears will facilitate these sessions and provide the meal. There will be a good will offering to cover costs. Registration is required-call the church office at 446-5940.

► SEEKERS WILL RESUME ON SUNDAY SEPTEMBER 27TH AFTER CHURCH. The "Humility"(the humble ones); a group of young Universalist ministers gave themselves this title as they gathered to study and spread the message of Universalism. The off-centered cross within a circle became their symbol. This represented the roots of Universalism in Christianity but stressed that there was room in the circle for other religions (note our window).

I am using this bit of history as a starting point for the organization of this group. Our goals will be to explore our multifaceted Christian roots through study, discussion and worship with a consideration of the ways Christian beliefs can still be relevant for UUs today. On September 27th we will meet to get acquainted and a schedule for future sessions will be available. If you would like some material before our first meeting contact Gracia Sears at 445-1242.

► Check out information for the fall conference honoring our 50 years since the merger or speak to Barry Lentz.

The Adult Enrichment group is: Diana Bellini, Margaret Richards, Barry Lentz, with Jane Pickett and Gracia Sears as co-chairs.



The Church Mouse



By the time you read this our Fellowship Hall will have a new coat of paint (actually four coats to cover the sisal). Thanks again to all of you who contributed funds to make this happen. Following are some building use rules which apply to all who use our facility. They are meant to secure our building and to keep our rooms looking as clean and welcoming as possible for us and for visitors. We ask that if possible you use the bulletin boards and easels for display in the Fellowship Hall. It peels off the paint and the wallboard underneath. If you have questions or need help with your displays, please contact any member of the B&G Committee. Thanks.

reminder

TO ALL WHO USE FIRST UU:

- ▶ **WALLS:** Do not use tape of any kind, push pins or nails to hang posters, papers or paintings. Do use bulletin boards, easels and picture hangers
- ▶ **WINDOWS:** Be certain to close and lock them
- ▶ **DOORS:** Be certain to lock and secure them
- ▶ **LIGHTS:** Please turn them off
- ▶ **TABLES/CHAIRS:** Please put them away
- ▶ **RE-ARRANGED A ROOM?** Please restore it as found
- ▶ **TRASH:** Take it to the cans and recycle bins outside
- ▶ **KITCHEN/KITCHENETTE:** Take home leftover food; clean up; turn off coffee pots; do the dishes
- ▶ **SIGNS FOR YOUR EVENT?** Put them up? Please take them down.

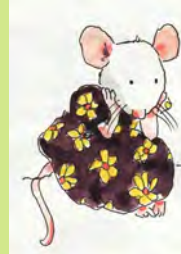
Thanks for your help and care

Condolences and sympathy to Jon



English upon the death of his Mother, Vonnie English.

**ARE YOU NEW TO THE CHURCH?
ARE YOU PONDERING
MEMBERSHIP?
SAVE THIS DATE**



The Membership Committee and Rev. Holly invite you to attend a "New UU Orientation Class" which will be held on September 20 at 11:45 am in the Parlor Room. This class will focus on a brief history of Unitarian Universalism, and the origins and operations of our church, committees, leadership and the ways in which one enters into membership. All are welcome!

Membership Sunday will be October 4, 2009



OCTOBER GARAGE SALE

Now is the time to set aside those clean saleable items that will help us raise funds to meet our expenses.

There will be no clothes this time around and books will be on sale in the Spring. If you are willing to give something away we can try to sell it. Remember, we have sheets to record your items for tax donations. As you know, one person's trash can be another person's treasure.

NYS Baroque Concert

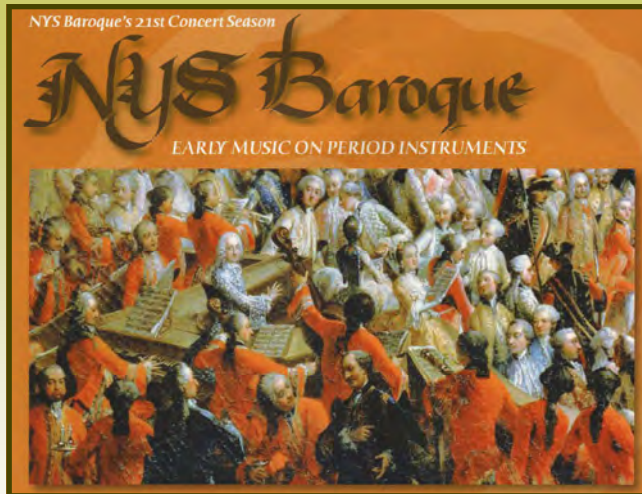
Saturday, September 12th at 4:00 pm at First UU

Early Music on Period Instruments

Bach, Handel, and the oboe

Debra Nagy, baroque oboe

The oboe and violin are a natural pair. Both boast bright tones and an uncanny ability to mimic the human voice, though via radically different techniques. Bach's Concerto for Oboe and Violin in C Minor (BWV 1060) exemplifies this brilliant combination, which was heard at the finest courts of eighteenth-century Europe. We celebrate Baroque music for oboe and strings with Bach's masterwork along with concertos and chamber music by Janitsch, Veracini, Telemann, and Handel.



The NYS Baroque musicians showed themselves to be world-class performers of high caliber, fully capable of interpreting this difficult music. – Syracuse Post-Standard (Tickets (\$5-\$25) are available at www.nysema.com and at the door.)



A stylized, cursive signature of Marc Adams in black ink on a light background.

Author/Activist Marc Adams

Monday, September 21, 2009 – 7pm

First Unitarian Universalist Society of Syracuse

Marc Adams, Lambda Literary Award finalist and Silver Pen Award recipient for his autobiography, *The Preacher's Son* will be speaking at the First Unitarian Universalist Society of Syracuse on Monday, September 21, 2009.

The Preacher's Son chronicles Marc's life growing up gay as the son of a fundamentalist Baptist minister in rural Pennsylvania where he endured a childhood of physical, emotional, and spiritual abuse. He went on to attend, by choice, Jerry Falwell's Liberty University where he also was employed for 3 ½ years in the student recruiting/university relations department. His book articulately reveals life at Liberty and the struggle to conform to the standards for which he would have been a martyr. He shares about his years as an ex-gay. It culminates with his coming to terms with being gay and his coming out to his fundamentalist Baptist Christian family.

Marc will share some of his life's story, talk about his latest book, *(lost)Found*, as well as HeartStrong, Inc., the non-profit organization he co-founded. HeartStrong, Inc., is a non-profit educational organization for gay, lesbian, bisexual, and transgender students of religious schools, colleges, and universities. HeartStrong has provided hope and help to GLBT students who have endured faith-based anti-GLBT bullying in religious schools around the world since 1996.

All of Marc's books and resources will be available for purchase, including his latest book (the much anticipated follow up to *The Preacher's Son*), *(lost)Found*. For more information about Marc Adams go to www.marcadams.com.



It happened at Syracuse



A 50th Anniversary Conference:

Celebrating the Birth and Growth of Unitarian Universalism

October 30-31, 2009, Syracuse, NY

<http://www.sld.uua.org/50thAnniversary/50thanniversary.html>

A significant anniversary for Unitarian Universalists will be celebrated on October 31, 2009. This day marks exactly fifty years since negotiations were completed and a plan was adopted for consolidating the American Unitarian Association (AUA) and the Universalist Church of America (UCA) to create the Unitarian Universalist Association (UUA). To commemorate this event the St. Lawrence District of the UUA is sponsoring a conference on Friday and Saturday, October 30 & 31, 2009.

The dramatic events of the "1959 Conference at Syracuse" occurred in downtown Syracuse, New York. In celebrating this pivotal moment in the history of Unitarian Universalism we will return to the Grand Ballroom of the Hotel Syracuse, the central site of the conference where general sessions were held. The 2009 conference will be a celebration of our history and a quest to advance our future by exploring the meaning of "What Happened at Syracuse?", examining the development of Unitarian Universalism in the past fifty years, and addressing the challenges that face us.

The conference will:

- ❖ Relive the music, liturgy, faith practices and actions of that historic period.
- ❖ Revisit significant events leading up to the Conference at Syracuse.
- ❖ Explore the growth of the movement in the past 50 years.
- ❖ Consider the nature of our faith and the threads that weave our theological diversity into a common identity.
- ❖ Help us embrace the challenges we face in working to advance our future as a unique religious people with something to offer the world.

Four prominent UU scholars will be on hand to provide their insights and perspectives about the meaning of "What Happened at Syracuse?" **David Bumbaugh, David Parke, Richard Gilbert** and **Elizabeth Strong** have each played important leadership roles in the growth of the Unitarian Universalist movement. They will bring a considerable body of experience and great insight to share in advancing our quest.

*Don't miss the Party
Join fellow UUs at the Hotel Syracuse
Oct. 30 & 31, 2009*

**To download the registration brochure and read more about
"What Happened at Syracuse" go to:**

<http://www.sld.uua.org/50thAnniversary/50thanniversary.html>



Are you looking for a good book or an entertaining movie or making any other purchases from Amazon?



Start your search from the FUUSS Homepage and Amazon.com will provide a donation of 10% of your purchase back to First UU!



Raise Money for FUUSS By Buying Groceries!

When you purchase P&C gift cards through FUUSS, you receive a card at the full value you purchased and the church receives

5% of the total purchase price. The next order for gift cards will be taken on September 27th - See Joe Cavallaro after service to place your order (please remember to bring your cash or check made out to FUUSS). Your cards will be available on Sunday, October 4th.

BJ's MEMBERSHIP



Members of First UU can receive a membership at BJ's Wholesale Club for just \$20 (regular price: \$45). There are many benefits - just the reduced gasoline prices will quickly pay for the membership.

If you wish to join, please stop by the office to pick up a form for the reduced rate.

JUST A REMINDER TO MAKE SURE TO CLEAR ANY SCHEDULING THROUGH THE OFFICE IN ORDER TO AVOID ANY CALENDAR CONFLICTS



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