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### **Closing Words for Seasonal Transitions**

May you know fully and deeply the blessings of each of your heart's seasons  
The inward turning of Winter  
Springtime's lush renewal  
The effortless, steady growth of summer  
And autumn's rich harvest  
May your passage from season to season be blessed—  
Eased by hands to hold, and by the light of love to guide you on.

By Andrew Pakula

*(Retrieved 3/28/21, UUA, <https://www.uua.org/worship/words/closing/seasonal-transitions>)*



## Service Schedule – Sunday at 11:00AM

(unless otherwise noted)

*Zoom Services Only \* Church Not Open*

April 4, Easter	Susan Daiss
April 11	Reverend Libby Moore
April 18	Reverend Lori Staubit
April 25,	Annual Meeting (No Service)
May 2	Reverend Susan Frawley

### Coming Events (all via Zoom)

**Sunday, April 4** – 11:00 am, Susan Daiss, *Easter*

**Sunday, April 11** – 11:00 am, Reverend Libby Moore

**Tuesday, April 13**– 7:00 pm, Board Meeting

**Sunday, April 18** – Reverend Lori Staubit, “Earth Day”

**Sunday, April 25** –11:00 am, Annual Congregational Meeting

### The 127<sup>th</sup> Annual Congregational Meeting, 11 am – 1 pm, April 25<sup>th</sup> via Zoom

**Please RSVP to Liz Schaal ([lizanns@gmail.com](mailto:lizanns@gmail.com)) by Thursday, April 8<sup>th</sup> if you plan to attend.**

*(No need to email if you cannot attend.)*

- Prior to the meeting, Zoom information and access to the reports will be sent out to the attendees.
- If you cannot attend online, please let Liz know. We may be able to have a small group at the church with Zoom set up there.
- Every year this meeting is held to address the congregation and report on the progress of the year, vote on the annual budget, elect Board members and officers for the coming year, and give the congregation a chance to have a voice and add their input.
- Fifteen *voting members* are needed to have a quorum for voting purposes. Friends of Pullman, cannot vote, but are welcome to attend and give input.

### Meditation

Meditation with Bill Vosteen occurs every Thursday at 7:00 pm via Zoom. If you would like to receive emails with Zoom information, please contact Chris Loss at [closs1626@gmail.com](mailto:closs1626@gmail.com).



## **SPECIAL NOTICE**

Please note this will be under consideration for vote at the next annual meeting.

The Board of Trustees has made a motion to change *Article V – Meetings of the Congregation (Section 1, d)*. The change put forth for a congregational vote will be to change the quorum number of members for the annual meeting from 15 to 9 members “with at least four (4) of those members being members of the Board of Trustees”. This change is to better reflect the current active membership.

Current wording: Fifteen (15) voting members with at least four (4) of those members being members of the Board of Trustees shall constitute a quorum at the Annual Meeting. (Rev. 4/1/1979)

Suggested change in red and italics: *Nine (9)* voting members with at least four (4) of those members being members of the Board of Trustees shall constitute a quorum at the Annual Meeting.

## **Pledge Forms and Giving**

As the 2020-2021 church year comes to a close, it is time to think about your pledge for 2021-2022. If you are able, please consider making a pledge for the new (hopefully better) year.

The *2021-2022 Pledge Form* will be sent along with this newsletter. PMUC members and friends are encouraged to return the form to Sylvia Goodstine via email ([mgoodstine@yahoo.com](mailto:mgoodstine@yahoo.com)) or U.S. mail (see address below). You can also send an email to Sylvia with your pledge amount for the year (form not required).

Donations can be submitted through PayPal on the PMUC website. Go to <https://pullmanmemorial.org/> and scroll down to the “Your Kind Donation” section.



If you would prefer to mail a check, please make it payable to *Pullman Memorial Universalist Church* and mail to PMUC, PO Box 87, Albion, NY 14411.

*Thank you for your support!*

## **Pullman Plaudits**

- The book discussion on ‘Hoax’ by Brian Stelter was held on March 7<sup>th</sup> and it went well. It turns out that this is an ongoing saga since an updated version of the book will be coming out this June! Thanks to Chris Loss for hosting the talk.
- -Many thanks to Erica Wanescki for being the speaker for the March 19<sup>th</sup> Friday Evening Service – History of Local Amusement Parks’. The pictures of Boulder Park, Roseland Park, Olcott Beach Park, Darien Lake, etc. through the years were so interesting.



## Pastoral Care Available

Just a reminder, Susan Daiss is available for “telecomforting” and is available at the following phone numbers: 585.383.1636 (H) and 585.317.0129 (C). Thank you Susan!

With the pandemic, we may be even more isolated than usual. Please don't forget, you can contact your PMUC friends and members. Check with a board member if you cannot find contact information.



### Some Earth Day (or any day) Reading

Learn about the importance of planting native plants:

*Bringing Nature Home: How Native Plants Sustain Wildlife in Our Gardens*

or

*Nature's Best Hope: A New Approach to Conservation That Starts in Your Yard*

Both by Douglas W. Tallamy



## Eye on the Board

The board met on March 16, 2021.

- Per Chris (treasurer), pledges are up and UUA dues are down after a recalculation. Alan (asst. treasurer) stated that we ended February with a record high for our endowment. We will receive dividends in March.
- Don (Sexton) has finished cleaning the room above the kitchen. Unfortunately, the ceiling in the groom's room has leaked again. Country Contracting will be contacted to return.
- The board discussed the possibility of returning to in-person services. May was decided as a goal for returning pending feedback at the Annual Meeting and updates from Health Departments/CDC, etc. Streaming services for those unable to attend in person would be available.
- Services are all set for April with the Annual Meeting ending the month. We need another book idea for the next book discussion. For the May Friday Evening Service, we are considering a movie night if in-person services are a go.
- Plans and tasks for the Annual Meeting were discussed. An RSVP email will go out to see if we are able to get the needed number of attendees for a quorum. The reports will then be provided in an online format prior to the meeting to the attendees.
- Pledges for the new church year were discussed. The pledge form for 2021-2022 will be available with the newsletter and with Annual Meeting documents.

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