

The Threshold

Towson Unitarian
Universalist Church
A Welcoming Congregation

What does it mean to be a people of Renewal?

SEPTEMBER 13, 2020 - 10:30 AM

**REV. CLARE L. PETERSBERGER, JOYCE DUNCAN:
*RENEWING OUR PROMISES, BLESSING OUR DEVICES***

The concept of renewal has a special meaning this year. In previous years, September meant the beginning of school; seeing classmates after the summer; and learning new subjects. September meant the beginning of the new church year; seeing members and friends after the summer; and setting new goals. The overwhelming feeling was excitement. COVID has changed this. With COVID has come the need for families to be explicit about who is responsible for paid work and who is responsible for unpaid work, who is responsible for taking care of the home and who is responsible for reviewing homework. With COVID has come the sadness of many church members that we are not meeting in our building, worshipping in our new chairs; visiting during coffee hour in the foyer; running up and down the stairs to religious exploration classes.

How can we even speak of renewal when we are feeling exhausted?

Today, we explore renewal in terms of our promises to ourselves, to our families, and to each other as a faith community. We will also have “a blessing of devices” for the start of the new school year.

VESPERS—SEPTEMBER 21, 7:00-7:25 P.M.

TAIZE STYLE SERVICE

Join us for a time of contemplation and singing to center ourselves at the beginning of the week. Tracy Hall will lead us in singing simple songs with repetition. You are invited to bring a candle to your device. The service will last for about 25 minutes.

---Rev. Clare



YOUTH RELIGIOUS EXPLORATION

We hope that the first week of school is going well for those with children attending schools that started this week. You are invited to join us Through Zoom this Sunday at 9 am for YRE Classes and Family Meeting. Last Sunday, we learned about renewal through church connection and the UU tradition of Water Communion. This week we look at renewal through the lens of antiracism. At noon, Young Religious Unitarian Universalists (YRUU) for those in grades 9 through 12 will meet. See the parent email or the church calendar for Zoom information to join either groups. Our Whole Lives (OWL) class continues to meet outside at TUUC at 4:30 pm. Please invite any parents who are interested in our youth programming to contact Joyce at tuudre@towsonuuc.org for more information.

NEW STAFF POSITION FILLED AT TUUC



Welcome to Philip Browne, TUUC's new part time (8 hours/week) Communications and Outreach Coordinator. Philip is currently the part time Administrative Assistant at Paint Branch UU Church and a professional musician in the Baltimore/Washington area. Maybe you have seen him in concert! He comes to us with experience working with multiple social media platforms, marketing and promotion skills and database management. Philip will be the new go-to person for all of your Threshold newsletter, website and database needs starting after September 8, 2020. As the rest of the staff, he will be working virtually from home. Please adhere to all current deadlines until further notice. You may contact Philip at news@towsonuuc.org.

ARTICLE SUBMISSIONS FOR THE THRESHOLD

TUUC committees are encouraged to submit an article or announcement to the weekly published Threshold newsletter. Please remember deadline is **Wednesday at 12:00 PM** and should be sent to news@towsonuuc.org.

ONGOING VIRTUAL MEETINGS

Contact facilitator in Breeze for meeting information or see the [church calendar](#).

SOCIAL ACTION COMMITTEE

2nd Sunday each month at noon

Facilitator: Lorraine Sorbello

COFFEE WITH THE MINISTER

Tuesdays 12:00 – 1:00 PM

Facilitator: Rev. Clare Petersberger

AGING TOGETHER

2nd Tuesday each month at 1:00 PM

Facilitator: Michael Magrogan

MEN'S REFLECTION GROUP

1st & 3rd Tuesdays 7:30—9:00 PM

Facilitator: Fred Sypher

WOMEN'S GROUP MEETING

1st & 3rd Tuesdays 7:30—9:00 PM

Facilitator: Jane D'Ambrogi

SOUL MATTERS

2nd & 4th Tuesdays 7:30—8:30 PM

Facilitator: Rev. Clare Petersberger

PROGRAM COUNCIL MEETING

2nd Wednesday each month at 7:30 PM

Facilitator: Andrew Hager

TUUC BOARD OF TRUSTEES

MEETING

3rd Wednesday each month at 7:30 PM

Facilitator: Sue Royer

MEN'S GROUP

2nd & 4th Thursdays 7:30—8:30 PM

Facilitator: Michael Magrogan

CLARE'S COLLOQUY

Our spiritual question for September is, "What does it mean to be a people of renewal?" This theme was chosen in early April. The hope, then, was that in the United States, the COVID virus would be contained in the late spring and early summer and that we would be gathering in person again to renew our faith community and work together for justice. But that is not how reality has unfolded.

So, what does it mean to be a people of renewal in September of 2020 in the United States?

There are things in our lives that we need to renew---such as prescriptions and a passport, a driver license and a lease, and health and auto insurance. Some things in our digital lives renew automatically (sometimes without warning!) such as subscriptions to magazines and membership in a gym.

But when it comes to relationships, renewal takes intentionality. We speak of renewing friendships and the renewal of marriage vows.

One Unitarian Universalist congregation in the greater Washington area is inviting its members and friends to intentionally "commit to connection" by committing to attend virtual worship and virtual religious exploration and at least one other small group program or socially distanced activity. Why is this important? Because relationships take intentionality. There is an even greater need for such intentionality in a time of social distancing.

This week, a TUUC member e-mailed me the following request, "I am hoping to hear about the value of faith, patience, calm, love and support for each other and the positive side of our human nature in the days ahead...so that our actions can be seen as useful and valuable and effective." While I am happy to speak about these values, the reality is that we give one another faith, calm, love, and support by showing up for each other.

Yes, I know that virtual space is not the same and that we spend too many hours on devices as it is. I also know what it means for two people who haven't "seen" one another for a while to reconnect in virtual space: the broad smiles, the exclamations of delight, the questions of genuine interest and care.

We are in the midst of a difficult and dangerous time in the United States. We need to find new ways to connect to be reminded of the values we cherish. We need one another for support. We need to be reminded that what we do for justice does matter.

So please look through the TUUC newsletter and calendar and commit to connection. If you have an idea for a new small group program you are willing to host in virtual space, or in the TUUC parking lot with social distancing this fall, please speak to me or Andrew Hager. Let us reaffirm the importance of our relationships by creating new ways to bring hope to one another when hope is hard to find even when we can't sing together in person. For this is what it means to be a people of renewal in September of 2020.

VIRTUAL PROGRAMS AT TUUC

FINDING THE RIGHT BALANCE

The Administrative Team has decided to make it easier for visitors to find their way to our virtual Sunday services, while still maintaining strong security measures to keep out those who might disrupt us.

Our Sunday services still require a password to enter and everyone starts in a waiting room. Everyone enters muted. Participants are not permitted to unmute or rename themselves. Participants may only chat with the host and co-hosts. The password is not embedded in the link to the meeting. The meeting ID changes every week.

In addition to emailing the meeting information to congregants and to repeat visitors, we are starting to include the Zoom meeting ID and password in the Threshold and on the church calendar. Both of these locations require humans to click several times from our church home page, making it less likely that bots will find the link. We will also create a public Facebook event, directing people to contact Zoommtg@towsonuuc.org to obtain the login information.

Please invite friends, family, and neighbors to join us for virtual worship!

For Sunday, September 13, please join us at 10:15 am to be admitted prior to the service starting at 10:30. We will have break-out rooms for coffee and conversation following the service.

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://uuma.zoom.us/j/99344931640>

Meeting ID: 993 4493 1640

Passcode: 198578

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+1 346 248 7799 US (Houston)

Meeting ID: 993 4493 1640

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GOVERNANCE UPDATE AND CALL TO SPECIAL CONGREGATIONAL MEETING

The Board and the Bylaws Committee have been working hard since our Congregational Meeting on June 14, to complete the review of the remaining articles of our Bylaws, and to incorporate recommendations from attorneys with expertise in Maryland church law.

The Board of Trustees is calling a Congregational Meeting for Sunday, October 25, 2020 on Zoom with check-in starting at 11:45 am. The purpose of this meeting is to vote on the proposed Bylaws and to vote on amended Articles of Incorporation.

We invite you to join a listening session with members of the Board and of the Bylaws Committee, to learn more:

Listening Session Dates – on Zoom and on the church calendar:

Wednesday, September 2 at 7:30 pm - complete

Sunday, September 20 at 12:00 noon

Monday, September 21 at 7:30 pm

Sunday, September 27 at 12:00 noon

Please join to learn and to give us your comments. We look forward to seeing you!

CABIN FEVER

Join our online movie group for weekly discussions.

Email churchoffice@towsonuuc.org to be added to our mailing list and receive Zoom meeting information.

THIS WEEK—I'M THINKING OF ENDING THINGS

In this new film from Charlie Kaufman, the writer behind ADAPTATION and ETERNAL SUNSHINE OF THE SPOTLESS MIND, a young woman travels with her boyfriend to meet his family. When a snowstorm traps them all together, she begins to question reality. (Available on Netflix. Rated R.)

Trailer: <https://youtu.be/7kjBQgks9cU>

Discussion: Saturday, September 12, 4 PM.

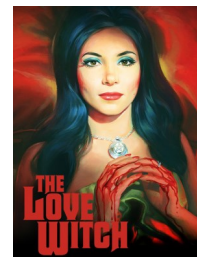


NEXT WEEK—THE LOVE WITCH

In this horror-tinted romantic comedy, a young woman uses magic spells to make men fall in love with her, with disastrous results. (Available on Amazon Prime. Not rated.)

Trailer: <https://youtu.be/PBYt5CvRWXs>

Discussion: Saturday, September 19, 4 PM.



SOCIAL ACTION COMMITTEE

The Social Action Committee will meet on Sunday September 13, at noon, following the Service and Coffee. An agenda will be sent to SAC Members. All are welcome! See church calendar for Zoom information.

GREEN INVESTING

You are trying to be environmentally aware by conserving resources, minimizing waste, and recycling when you can. However, is there more that can be done to make an impact to reduce global warming? Is there a way to encourage companies to be more environmentally sensitive? Yes, you can put your money where your heart is! There are stock market funds that you can invest in which focus on companies who are environmentally conscientious. If you would like to learn more about these investment opportunities, where we are able to actively support companies who care where their money goes, please join our Drawdown Zoom group for a session on “green investing,” on Tuesday, Sept. 22 at 5:30 PM. We will have 2 guest speakers, a retirement and investment advisor, and a representative from Parnassus Investments, who will help us learn more about these investment alternatives. If you are not already on our mailing list, please contact Bobbie Miyasaki (email in Breeze) so that you can receive the Zoom link prior to the meeting.

Donna Eden, Bobbie Miyasaki & Carel Hedlund

SINGLES FELLOWSHIP GROUP HAPPY HOUR

Saturday, September 26, at 4 pm.

The group will have a happy hour chat in virtual space. We offer an atmosphere for fellowship and friendship among TUUC single adults. We range in age from the 60's to 80's, but gladly welcome anyone to join us.

AMAZONSMILE

I would like to remind you of a painless way to contribute to TUUC's bottom line. AmazonSmile! Each time you make a purchase on Amazon, the company will make a small donation to the charity of your choice. Since the beginning of the pandemic, I have been making more purchases than usual that are online, and many of them are through Amazon. So I wanted to remind you of this possibility.



How it works: It's simple! Log onto [amazonsmile.com](https://www.amazon.com/smile). Choose your charity (TUUC, I hope). Then make your purchase as usual. Amazon will make a donation of .5% of each purchase you make. That may seem like a tiny amount, and it is, but if we all do it, for all of our Amazon purchases, it will add up! It only happens when you log onto AmazonSmile. If you forget, and just log onto Amazon, there is no donation. Just create a new habit of going to AmazonSmile!

Currently, we are only benefiting a couple of hundred dollars a year from this program, but I think that is because only a few of us are doing it.

When you designate your charity, you only have to do so once. Then, every time you make a purchase through [amazonsmile.com](https://www.amazon.com/smile), they will automatically apply the donation. Amazon sends us a check a few times a year.

So let's make our purchasing count! Its painless! And Amazon can afford it!

Susan Riggs, Board Secretary



GREEN SANCTUARY - FAIR TRADE COFFEE/TEA SALES

Are you missing your organic fair trade coffee and tea? To continue our support for fair trade farmers during this time of COVID, the Green Sanctuary Committee will once again be offering Equal Exchange products for sale.

In September we are offering both coffee and tea. (Chocolate sales will resume in October).

You have two options:

(1) if you regularly buy from us, you may wish to place a "subscription" order for a case, and we will automatically order for you each month (for example, order a case of Breakfast Blend (6 bags) each month).

(2) place an ad hoc order for individual items as you wish each month.

Please submit your order by sending an email to Carel Hedlund (info in Breeze) no later than Saturday September 12th. Orders will be ready for pick-up at TUUC "front porch" on Saturday morning September 19th from 10-12 (considering combining pick-up with the work party!).

You can make payment by check, PayPal or texting to TUUC. Specific information will be provided with the order.

Organic Products available in September:

Regular Coffee: (\$10/bag; \$60 for a case of 6 unless otherwise indicated.

Available in drip grind or whole bean unless otherwise indicated.)

Sister's Blend - 1 lb (\$50 for case of 5)

Mama Tierra - 1 lb (\$50 for case of 5)

Breakfast Blend - 12 oz

Columbian - 12 oz.

French Roast - 10 oz.

Love Buzz - 10 oz.

Mind, Body, Soul 12 oz.

African Roots - 12 oz. (Drip grind only).

Decaf Coffee:

(\$11/bag; \$66 for case of 6)

Tea: (\$4/box; \$24 for a case of 6)

Earl Grey

Jasmine Green Tea

Ginger

Green Tea with Ginger

Chamomile

Chai

English Breakfast

Watch TUUC website for updated information! www.towsonuuc.org

TUUC AUCTION 2020

October 11 – November 21

How will the Auction be different this year? While the donations and bidding will all be done in “virtual space”, the greatest difference is revealed in the title--Bidding will extend over a six-week period that starts in October and closes on Auction Evening, November 21st. We want sufficient time for everyone to get familiar with the new way to view donations and place bids. The primary method for doing this is with software called Bid Beacon. Invitations for Bid Beacon will be emailed soon. The Auction catalog on Bid Beacon replaces the Auction Booklet and Bid Sheets, with an online listing that is continually updated as new donations are added, sold and bid-up.



If this all sounds a bit daunting, there will be plenty of help available. Multiple Zoom training sessions will be scheduled. An Auction Help email address will allow you to ask questions and request direct help from an Auction Coach. An expanded Auction section on the TUUC website will provide links to donate, get suggestions, download Bid Beacon, request support and see photos and descriptions of everything being offered. As in previous auctions, proxies are available to help with bidding.

You can make donations with a simple form that will soon be available online. What you can donate has not changed much from previous years. Donations of events planned while the pandemic is still with us should be COVID-safe, which probably means an outdoor setting with social-distancing and other precautions. You may also donate an event for after the danger has passed. In that case you should not specify a date but contact the winners once it's safe, and set a date that works for everyone. A future Threshold article will focus on donation suggestions and guidelines.

The church is closed so getting donated physical items from the donors to the winners is a logistical challenge. Safe drop-off and pick-up at TUUC will be arranged. Additionally, a church volunteer pick-up and delivery service will be offered for a \$10 fee that will benefit TUUC. We are also asking that donations have a minimum value of \$25.

Auction Evening will be a virtual event held via Zoom like our Sunday services. There will be raffle prizes and voice bid items reserved for Auction Evening and enthusiastic auctioneers rallying us. The evening will be a bit shorter with an earlier start to make it more appropriate for family participation and the virtual setting. There can't be the traditional pot-luck dinner, but festivities are still being planned and food may be included in some creative way. Entertainment will certainly be part of the evening program.

The 19 members of the Auction Committee have started planning early to make this year's Diamond Jubilation Auction every bit as exciting, fun and beneficial as our previous auctions. We look forward to your participation.

GA 2020 REPORT BY STEPHEN FINNER

General Assembly 2020 was quite a different experience from past GA's. I had been looking forward to going to Providence where it was scheduled to be as the last GA I attended "in person" was Providence in 2014. I had purchased my Amtrak ticket and made an Airbnb reservation and was very disappointed when COVID19 turned our world upside down. I had been a "virtual" delegate to the two past GA's, but my activity was limited to the business sessions, which have never been my favorite GA functions.

The first major difference was the absence of a "live choir". I have sung in over a dozen GA choirs and doing so has usually been the high point of my attendance. I was privileged to be one of 150 in the virtual GA choir which sang at the Sunday worship service. The way that works is choristers record their part and email the sound file to the conductor who working with technicians "stitch" all the recordings into one. As you can imagine it is a lot of work.

Because of my experience being a technical usher for our worship services, I volunteered to be a ZOOM chat host at GA. As such, I was involved in four workshops. The downside is I had no choice in which workshops I was participating. The upside is I met some very interesting people and learned quite a few things. My job was to coordinate with the workshop presenters and the technical host, another volunteer position to insure that each of knew who was going to do what, such as handling audio and visual effects, muting and unmuting participants and the like.

The most interesting and moving workshop was a presentation by a Canadian First Nation member, Sharon Jinkerson Brass (First Nation is the Canadian term for their indigenous people) telling the story of how their children were taken around age 6 or 7 and sent to a government run boarding school, supposedly to learn standard academic subjects. However, in addition, they were not allowed to speak their native language and taught to disregard their own culture. The intended effect was to destroy their culture and force assimilation. This practice continued into the 1960's. What struck me about Ms. Brass's presentation is that she was not angry, but understandably very sad. She made clear that the major lesson to be learned from this tragedy was recognition and celebration of the commonality of all humans and honoring everyone's dignity and worth. It was a most poignant and lasting lesson of the importance of our first principle. The Canadian government has established a reconciliation commission in which the Canadian Unitarian Council is quite active. (I can't help mentioning that something very similar is occurring now in China where the ethnic majority Han are sending Muslim Uighurs and Mongolians to "re-education camps".)

Another workshop was "Heart Songs and Circle Songs" conducted by Heather Pierson and Bernice Martin, both currently living in New Hampshire. Heather was the long time Director of Music at the First Universalist Church of Norway, Maine. This workshop was a demonstration of a worship service which "...weaves together

influences from the growing singing circle tradition and the contemplative worship tradition.” It is a different type of worship experience that is what some might call “soul centered”. Rather than try to provide more explanation, you may want to visit their websites (www.heatherpierson.com and www.bernicemartin.me).

A third workshop I most enjoyed was Reggie Harris and Greg Greenway’s “Deeper than The Skin”, a musical presentation on race. “Born three days apart and friends for three decades, one African American from Philadelphia and one white raised in the nostalgia of the South” took the audience through the unflinching and honest story of the ups and downs of their friendship in song. I am privileged to have Reggie as a friend, and I call him a “UU Fellow Traveler”. His workshops on music and the civil rights movement and related topics are always worthwhile and you can learn more at <https://reggieharrismusic.com>.

The highlight of General Assembly 2020 for me was Sunday Morning Worship. The ministers were Rev. Joan Javier Duval and Rev. Mykal Slack. The theme was “Beyond The Waters Edge” and focused on our denomination as it struggles with issues of racial justice and white supremacy while “...also tending to our spiritual needs and caring for others.” Both ministers were challenging as well as comforting. The musical director (see my note about the virtual choir above) was Benjie Messer, who serves the large UU congregation in Phoenix, AZ. The service, which I most highly recommend is still available for viewing at <https://www.uua.org/ga/off-site/2020/sunday-worship>.

Finally, I want to mention the business sessions, which other TUUC attendees have discussed in their reports previously published in The Threshold. There were of course, some glitches, which is quite understandable given the balancing of a complex and changing technology with the demands of creating a virtual environment where a few thousand delegates can participate in a democratic process. That said, I found the sessions to be long on procedural matters and short on substantive ones. There was a considerable struggle with the report of the Commission on Institutional Change which the delegates failed to adopt. This was due to, in my opinion, its complexity and recent release which meant that many if not most delegates (including this one) had not had time to read and absorb it. The title of the report is “Widening The Circle of Concern” and is at <https://www.uua.org/uuagovernance/committees/cic/widening>

As always, GA2020, despite being virtual, offered far more events than is possible for any one person to attend. An attendee has to pick and choose and often cannot attend the event or workshop of their first choice. That notwithstanding, GA is always worth the time, effort and expense regardless if it is held in cyberspace or not. One drawback of being virtual is I had to forego the experience of meeting and greeting old friends, joining them for lunch or dinner and reconnecting. At least, my travel time and distance to and from GA events was minimal.

TUUC BOOK CLUB

October 7, 2020, 7:30PM: The Nickel Boys by Colson Whitehead (2019—213 pages)

Winner of the 2020 Pulitzer Prize, Colson Whitehead brilliantly dramatizes the story of two boys sentenced to a hellish reform school in Jim Crow-era Florida. Though it's brief—213 pages long—Whitehead has made a conceptually thick, intense, political book ... From its opening lines through the novel's elegant, heartbreaking closing, Whitehead's lucid, sparkling, storytelling incites readers to bear witness for these children real and imagined.

Zoom Info:

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://uuma.zoom.us/j/97308154420>

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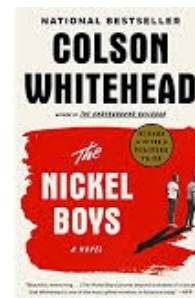
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**NEXT MEETING ON
NOVEMBER 4, 7:30PM—**

**The Leftovers
by Tom
Perrotta
(2011)**



Virtual Happy Hour

5:00 - 6:00 p.m.

Friday, September 11 and Friday, September 25



Sixteen people attended our August Virtual Happy Hour. Drinks people brought included special wine, craft beer, and delicious water. Those who gathered expressed interest in connecting for another virtual Happy Hour to socialize. So if you are looking for a great way to get the weekend off to a fun start join us for a virtual Happy Hour at **5 p.m. on Friday, September 11 and/or 5 p.m. on Friday September 25**. It's definitely BYOB! Here's to fun virtual gatherings!

PASSING THE PLATE

We are committed to being a spiritual community in virtual space during this crisis and we need your financial support. This includes paying our ongoing financial commitments to our vendors and staff who are continuing to work remotely.

Renewing your pledge is more important than ever and now may be done online here: <https://www.towsonuuc.org/2021-pledge-form>

HOW TO CONTRIBUTE THROUGH BREEZE

Paying your pledge or making contributions can be easily sent through Breeze through this link:

<https://tuucdatabase.breezechms.com/give/online>

PAYPAL CONTRIBUTIONS

You may use PayPal to pay your pledge to treasurer@towsonuuc.org. To avoid additional fees, send your contribution to the setting "family and friends" and please note the purpose of your donation in the message area.

MAIL CONTRIBUTIONS

You may still mail checks to the church. Mail is checked weekly.

HOW TO TEXT YOUR CONTRIBUTION OR PLEDGE

Send a text to: 410-834-0700 and indicate where you want your contribution to go by entering one of the commands to get your contribution to the right fund. See NEW examples below:



amount + 2020-21	2020-2021 Stewardship Campaign
<i>ex: text "50 2020-21" to give to 2020-2021 Stewardship Campaign</i>	
amount + ODB	ODB Casseroles
<i>ex: text "50 ODB" to give to ODB Casseroles</i>	
amount + GreenProducts	Green Products
<i>ex: text "50 GreenProducts" to give to Green Products</i>	
amount + SAC	Social Action Collection
<i>ex: text "50 SAC" to give to Social Action Collection</i>	
amount + Plate	Plate Collection
<i>ex: text "50 Plate" to give to Plate Collection</i>	
amount + Auction	Auction
<i>ex: text "50 Auction" to give to Auction</i>	

WHAT'S HAPPENING AT TUUC

Calendar is subject to change. Check the website calendar [here](#) for most current schedule.

11 Sept	Friday	Happy Hour	5:00 PM
13 Sept	Sunday	YRE Family Meeting / Classes	9:00 AM
13 Sept	Sunday	Sunday Service	10:30 AM
13 Sept	Sunday	YRUU (Grades 9-12)	12:00 PM
13 Sept	Sunday	Social Action Committee Meeting	12:00 PM
13 Sept	Sunday	OWL Middle School	4:30 PM
15 Sept	Tuesday	Coffee with the Minister	12:00 PM
15 Sept	Tuesday	Men's Reflection Group	7:30 PM
15 Sept	Tuesday	Women's Group Meeting	7:30 PM
16 Sept	Wednesday	TUUC Board Meeting	7:30 PM
17 Sept	Thursday	Rehearsal	6:00 PM
17 Sept	Thursday	Virtual Choir Rehearsal	7:30 PM
18 Sept	Friday	Writing as a Spiritual Practice	1:00 PM
19 Sept	Saturday	Third Saturday Work Party	9:00 AM
20 Sept	Sunday	Family Meetings / Classes	9:00 AM
20 Sept	Sunday	Sunday Service and Coffee Hour	10:30 AM

Don't Work Sick
Don't School Sick
Don't Church Sick

ZOOM SUNDAY SERVICE ATTENDANCE REPORT

(Does not reflect actual number of people watching)

Date	Time	Adults/ Children
9/6/2020	10:30 AM	77



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Samantha Saalfield (2019-2021)
Angela Castillo-Epps (2020-2022)
Patty Barry (2020-2022)

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Head of Staff: Rev. Clare Petersberger
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Missed an issue of the *Threshold*?

You can always find past issues at

<https://www.towsonuuc.org/our-news>

TECHNICAL USHERS NEEDED

We are recruiting additional technical ushers. We want to rotate in one or two new ushers to give others a break. You should be comfortable with Zoom and technology and be willing to attend a rehearsal on Thursday at 6 pm as well as join the Zoom meeting 20 minutes early on Sunday morning. To volunteer, please contact our Church Administrator, Kai Aiyetoro, at churchoffice@towsonuuc.org.

