

**A Message from your Board of Directors**  
**May 23, 2020**



The main topic of discussion at our board meeting, last Thursday was when our church might resume normal activities now that states are re-opening and restrictions are being relaxed. We discussed the recommendations from our governor, public health officials and the Unitarian Universalist Association. In keeping with our UU values, our consensus is that we will continue to suspend in-person gatherings at least through the next three months. At the end of summer, we will reevaluate but we must be prepared for our closure to be longer. As much as we would all like to be together again, we are still in the midst of a pandemic and almost all of us fall into the high-risk category. The safety and well-being of our congregation is the highest priority.

We know adjusting to our new reality is difficult, but we are resilient and resourceful people. Now that we know we will be “doing church” a different way, it’s time to get creative. We can meet in small “tailgate” groups in the church parking lot. We can attend Sunday services and continue our outreach efforts, committee meetings, and special ceremonies virtually using Zoom. In the coming weeks, we will be hosting new interest groups on Zoom and Facebook and urge you to participate. If your technology skills are a bit lacking, we’re teaching classes to bring you up to speed. And the Green Team will still be offering Fair Trade products and green products for sale with free delivery by our own Kim Townsan.

We are separated but we are not alone. Let’s not just endure this situation—let’s thrive. We welcome your ideas, your input, and most of all, your participation. See you online?

*Janet Holt, President*