



Welcome Rev. Dr. Barbara Wells ten Hove!

Rev. Barbara will be our Consulting Minister on a half-time basis through June 2019 while our Ministerial Search Committee finds our next settled Minister.

Rev. Barbara has served as a UU Minister since 1985, primarily in the Pacific Northwest of the United States. For the last two decades of her Ministry, she served as a Co-Minister with her husband, Rev. Jaco ten Hove, serving congregations in Maryland, Colorado and Washington.

Rev. Barbara will be on the North Shore approximately two Sundays each month, and will spend 10-12 days a month living and working with us in West Vancouver (her "in town" dates will be posted on the Church calendar). She will also work from her home in Bellingham.

Rev. Barbara can be reached through the church office or by email at rev.barbara@northshoreunitarians.ca.

2018 Volunteer Appreciation Awards

At the AGM on May 27th, Volunteer Awards for 2018 were presented to Dianne Hicks, Lesley Giroday, and Paul Symons (pictured below) for their exceptional volunteer help this year as well as in previous years. The Mary Segal Award, our highest honour, was given to Jasha Ramsay-Latter (pictured left) for her many years of continued volunteer help. Sincere thanks to these outstanding volunteers, and to ALL our volunteers, who give so generously of their time and energy!



Jasha Ramsay-Latter



Dianne Hicks

Lesley Giroday

Paul Symons

From Our Consulting Minister

The long-time minister of University Unitarian Church in Seattle, WA, the Rev. Dr. Peter S. Raible, used to say that every minister is an interim. Though he stayed at UUC for 37 years, he knew eventually his ministry there would end. When it did, another minister took the reins from him and the church has continued strong.

As someone who has been a minister since 1985, I know a thing or two about congregational and ministerial transitions. I have served five churches, which means I've started a ministry in each one and left each one, too. I truly get that the church is much bigger than any minister, any lay leader, any building or any program. I know from years of experience

that congregations really can move through hard changes without falling apart. Yet, when a congregation goes through a ministerial transition, particularly one such as North Shore has just experienced, it can feel disorienting. I would be very surprised if everyone wasn't feeling a wealth of emotions from sad to glad.

As the summer unfolds in all its glory (aren't we lucky to live in this most beautiful part of the world!) I hope you will remember that the earth has a lot to teach

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us about change. Every year spring turns to summer then on to autumn and finally to winter. Every year our bodies grow older, some people are born and some people die. Every year good things happen and sad things, too. The unfolding of the seasons are a constant reminder that time moves in one direction even as it cycles in familiar ways.

As your minister for this year, I hope we will move through this particular season of transition with grace and kindness. While I am not officially your interim minister, in my role as your consulting minister I expect to not only witness the inevitable changes that will come but to also serve as a guide to help you through them. We can't know what this year will bring. It will be different, but really, isn't every year?

I am only working half-time and will not be in West Vancouver all the time but when I am here I hope you will seek me out, make an appointment with me, tell me how you're doing and what this church means to you. I am certain that we will have a wonderful, challenging, uplifting, and unexpected year together.

All the best,
The Rev. Dr. Barbara Wells ten Hove
Consulting Minister



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Summer Schedule

I will be on the North Shore from June 10-24th and hope to get to know as many of you as possible. During this visit, I will lead a Saturday workshop for the Sunday Services Team, take part in the weekend board retreat, meet the staff, and present three Sunday services.

I will be in the church office often but on two occasions (**Friday, June 15, 1:30pm-4:30pm** and **Monday, June 18, 9:30am-12:30pm**) I will be available for questions and conversation. To set up a special appointment outside that time, email me at

rev.barbara@northshoreunitarians.ca.

I will return to West Vancouver on Friday, August 17th through Wednesday, August 29th. I am open to setting up appointments during that time as well.

From Our Board President

With the strains of Love Will Guide Us resounding in the sanctuary, we sang our last goodbye to our former co-ministers Revs. Marcus and Emily Hartlief on Sunday, June 3rd. Our children and youth followed the light of the chalice lantern (skillfully crafted by glass artist Stuart Browning) out the doors and into a farewell celebration. Many thanks to the team of volunteers led by Susanne Krebs for preparing and serving a picnic for the gathering.

We returned to the sanctuary for cake and the presentation of gifts. Marcus received a Memory Book crafted by Church Administrator Janni Kretlow, filled with our mes-

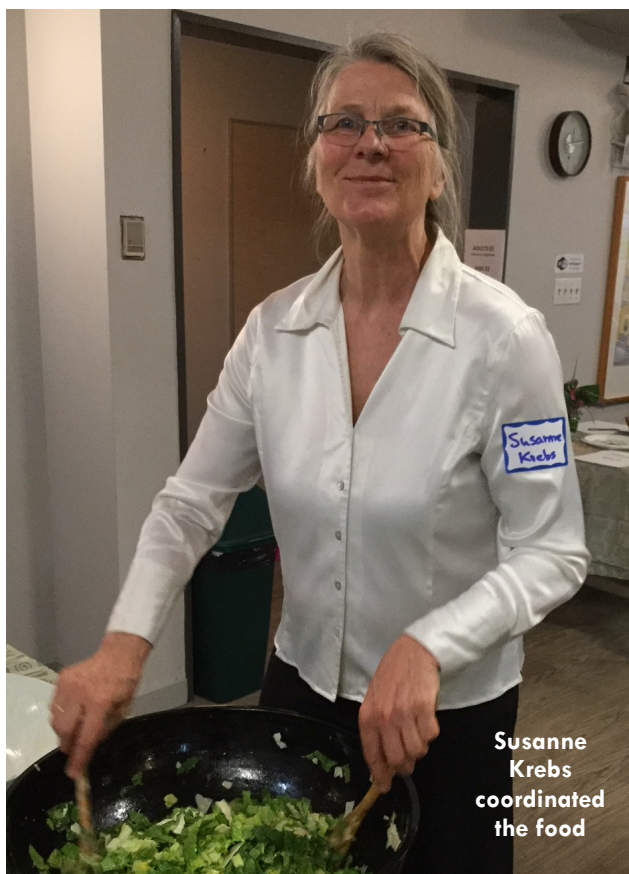
sages of gratitude and good wishes for him and Emily. Lynn gave Marcus three “very Canadian” books for reading to Henry. Judith Radford displayed a gift-in-progress: a hooked rug to be created of recycled fabric strips. This project will be touched by many hands before being sent to the Hartliefs. Rev. Marcus will soon begin his ministry in another UU suburban congregation one suspension bridge to the north of a multi-ethnic waterfront city.

At the time of this writing, we are poised on a metaphorical bridge between our past and future. We welcome Rev. Barbara Wells ten Hove to our pulpit June 10th. I am delighted to have the opportunity to work closely with Rev. Barbara

during this year of transition. We met years ago at Eliot Institute and have continued to share inspiring UU camps at Seabeck, WA.

Barbara will lead two services per month in her half-time role as our consulting minister. Watch for updates about the weeks when she is “on location” with us. Start-up activities for June include retreats with the Sunday Services associates and the Board of Trustees, planning sessions with the staff, and meetings with the Search Committee and Ministry Team leads.

Hope to see you in Sunday services June 10th, 17th, and 24th as we shift into our Interim Year of “Building a New Way.” (Singing the Journey, # 1017). ~ Marcia Stephenson



Susanne Krebs
coordinated
the food



Rev. Marcus
cuts the cake

SUMMER

at

North Shore Unitarian Church



Sunday Services: In June, we will have services at 10:30am each Sunday, welcoming Rev. Barbara Wells ten Hove to the pulpit on June 10th with a guest choir from the Bellingham Unitarian Fellowship, June 17th for our Flower Communion celebration, and June 24th when we wind down the church year with “The Heart Is Bigger Than Trouble”. We’re taking July off — but will resume Sunday services in August with guest speakers on August 5th and 12th, and Rev. Barbara Wells ten Hove returning to the pulpit on August 19th and 26th.

Minister: Our half-time Consulting Minister, Rev. Barbara Wells ten Hove will be on the North Shore June 10th through 24th, and again August 17th through 29th. Phone her via the church office or email her at rev.barbara@northshoreunitarians.ca.

Lay Chaplain: Our Lay Chaplain, Lindsay Hindle, will be available throughout the summer to perform Rite of Passage services such as weddings, memorials, child dedications, and other life transition events. Please contact the Church Office if you need her assistance.

Board of Trustees: Marcia Stephenson (President), Elain Duvall (VP Congregational) and/or Wayne Hanna (Treasurer) will be available for church-related issues throughout the summer.

Church Office: Janni will work through July 26th (in and out of the office). Watch the online calendar and the Friday eBulletin for updates on office hours.

Lynn Sabourin, Director of Family Ministries: Lynn will work limited days during the summer. Her out-of-office days will be shown on the church calendar for July & August.

Cares & Concerns

Cares and Concerns volunteers make phone calls to those feeling out of touch, visit those who can't make it to church, and see people who are ill or in hospital. Sometimes, they even offer transportation to and from church, medical visits, and other appointments. They work to be aware of all those in the congregation who are in vulnerable situations, such as illness or reduced capabilities.

If over the summer you have need of assistance or help in such practical ways, contact Judith or Jean:

Judith Radford

(Chair of the
Care & Concerns team)

Judith_radford@yahoo.ca
778-990-2366

Jean Prescott

jihana@shaw.ca
604-924-6006



Soul Matters Groups

Looking for more connection in our community? Want to deepen your journey at North Shore Unitarian? Soul Matters is a program that has run this church year and has been valuable to most participants who are eager to carry on

next year. September is a great time to add new members to groups and start new groups. The very carefully composed material we use focuses on one theme each month and suggests exercises, questions, and resources to explore. Small groups then come together monthly to share their experience through a process of active and deep listening. It is often profound.

If you want to be part of a Soul Matters group, click [HERE](#), contact Janni in the church office (info@northshoreunitarians.ca or 604-926-1621), or use the sign-up sheet posted on the bulletin board in the staircase. Also let us know if you are interested in being a facilitator. We plan to have a training session for the facilitators late August or early September. Contact Anne Mayall with questions (annemayall51@gmail.com or 778-686-3643).



Cronies

The Cronies women's group meets on two Thursdays each month for lunch, tea, fun and conversation. We normally meet at the church, but during the summer we gather in different places.

June 14th and 28th we'll meet at 12:30 in the Fireside Room at the church. Bring a bag lunch.

July 12th, Betty McMillan (who lives in Summerhill House) will host our meeting at noon at 135 15th Street, North Vancouver. Their house phone number is 604-980-6525. Bring a bag lunch; Summerhill may supply dessert!

July 26th, we'll meet at Jasha Ramsay-Latter's home at 12:30 pm. Her address is #5-261 West 16th in North Vancouver and phone number is 604-988-9931.

August 9th, join us in the Garden of Jan (Hilda Pezzaro's daughter) at 12:30pm. Her address is 947 22nd Street in West Vancouver, sometimes a little difficult to find. It is north of the Westerleigh on the left hand side of 22nd. Jan's phone number is 604-926-1482.

August 23rd, Nora Coates will host at noon at the Westerleigh at the corner of 22nd and Marine Drive in West Vancouver. Bring a bag lunch; she will provide a dessert.

2018 FundFest



Have You Paid for Your FundFest Purchases?

Our FundFest auction on April 28th was a success, raising nearly \$20,000 for the church on auction night (additional funds will come in as people buy tickets at the door for various events). If you haven't yet paid for your FundFest purchases, please do so as soon as possible! Contact [Janni](#) for details.



Do You Receive Our Weekly eBulletins?

Subscribe to our eBulletins to receive weekly updates such as:

- Sermon titles, descriptions and speakers.
- Church news and events.
- Invitations to Canadian Unitarian events.
- General meeting & Town Hall invitations.
- Social Action events.
- Library news.
- Sunday lunch invitations.
- And more!

If you're not already receiving these weekly emails, please contact [Janni in the Church Office](#) to be added to the list.

Youth Group



Ariel Hunt-Brondwin
Youth Program Coordinator
& Connections Coordinator

Summer Youth Group Schedule

Sun. June 3rd 7-9pp Youth Group

Sun. June 10th 6:30-8pm Youth & Parent meeting

Sat. June 16th 2pm Pool Party (offsite)

Youth Group will be on "summer break" from June 17th until early September. Watch the Fall newsletter and upcoming eBulletins for updates!



As I said in my Annual Report, serving North Shore's Youth Program, has been an exciting, humbling and heart-opening endeavour. What an incredible group of young people to get to work with! I've been impressed many times this year by their insights, wisdom, humour and care for one another and the North Shore Youth Group community.

It's hard to believe that my first year with you is nearly over. I could not have asked for a more friendly and warm congregation to serve. I have also been fortunate to serve with such dedicated Youth Advisors and to have the support and experience of our Youth Ministry Team.

Despite all of these positives, this year has had its challenges too — particularly around low attendance and some interpersonal issues among some of our youth. Occasional disagreements are a part of being in community, however; so I remain optimistic, knowing that despite these bumps in the road, our Youth Group is resilient. Together we'll find the way to a renewed and reinvigorated group next year. I'm very excited about some of the special events coming up this Fall, and am looking forward to deepening my connections with our youth as we continue to weave the web of community together in the coming next year.

In faith and affection,
Ariel

*Save
the
Date*

Sat. September 22nd
12:30 - 5pm

PAL Ropes Course Experience
at UBC

Sat. October 20th
10am - 3:30pm

Youth Leadership
& Team Building Mini-Retreat
(offsite)

November 16-18th

Youth Chaplain Training weekend
at NSUC



See you in **SEPTEMBER!**

NSUC Delegates Participate in the CUC AGM



On May 18th, four delegates from our congregation participated in the AGM of the Canadian Unitarian Council without leaving the comfort of our own sanctuary. We watched the proceedings on the pull-down screen in the chancel (thanks for tech support, Janni) and cast our votes via Google Drive in real time. Joy Silver, Sunny Wachowski, Rebecca Lindley, and Marcia Stephenson represented NSUC at the virtual meeting. For a recap of the conference, click [HERE](#) or visit the CUC website at <https://cuc.ca/>.





Grocery Receipts Wanted!

Many years ago, Marie Bensley started a Grocery Receipt program that converts grocery receipts into cash for the church. The program was handed over to Nora Coates in June of 1999. We've made over \$5,000 on this program since then! Here's how it works:

- Save grocery receipts from **IGA Dunderave** and **Loblaws City Market on Park Royal**.
- Put receipts in the envelope on the bulletin board in the stairwell.
- For each \$5,000 in receipts we collect, the store donates a gift certificate to the church, which Nora converts into a cash donation.



Jammin' With the Band

This informal jam session welcomes all ages and skill levels! We meet once a month on a Friday night in the Sanctuary. We are taking a break during June, July and August, but will resume in September. ~Paul Jaffe



Outreach

Each Sunday, 100% of our offering basket collections, unless otherwise marked, are given to the charity for

that month. Here are recent and upcoming recipients: **February** (\$1,267) Wild Bird Trust of BC; **March** (\$1,577) Partner Church in Hungary; **April** (\$1,847) David Suzuki Foundation; **May** (\$1,130) WISH Drop-In Centre; **June** Rainbow Refugee Society; **July** (no services); **August** Are You Syrious—North Shore.



It's Time to Start Preparing for our Artarian Craft Fair!

On December 9th, we'll host our annual Craft Fair. If you'd like to participate, it's not too soon to begin preparing! All sorts of arts and crafts are welcome.



From the Library

Ten books have been added to the adult collection. From John Duffy, *The Growing Church* by Thom Belote, and *Turning Points: Essays on a New Unitarian Universalism* by Fredric J. Muir (ed.). From Rev. Stephen Atkinson, *Interdependence: Renewing Congregation Policy* by the UUA, *Engaging Theological Diversity* by the UUA, *American Universalism, 4th Edition* by George Hunston Williams, *Unitarian Universalism: Selected Essays* by the UUA, and *Small Group Ministry* by Robert L. Hill. Sue Hart gave us *Caregivers' Guide for Canadians* by Rick Lauber. We also received *Reminiscences* by Elizabeth Smily.

Discovery Coast by Marguerite Mahy



From the Artarians

In June, Beverly Grice and Fredda Cook will display their art in our Sanctuary. During July and August, we'll feature work by the talented Artarian members of our Church. Enjoy the various visual art media and photos!



Creative Arts Eliot Camp for UUs, Friends & Family

Creative Arts Eliot runs from August 11-15th at the Seabeck Conference Center on Hood Canal. Enjoy the multi-generational camp experience while pursuing a creative endeavor (Poetry, Quilts, Paper Maskmaking, Improvisation, Photography, Painting, Songwriting, Theater Games, Dragon Sculpting, or Intermediate Ukulele). "Active Sports" will also be available. Focus on one or two workshops, and spend the rest of your time enjoying waterfront fun, sports, games, walks, campfires, singing, UU community, worship, games, and entertainment. Info at www.eliotinstitute.org.



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and Tsleil-Waututh
traditional territory*

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Attention Visitors!

Are you visiting us for the first time over the summer? If so, there are several ways to find out more:

- Read our new welcome brochure (on the foyer table) to find out how we Belong, Thrive and Serve in this community.
- Read the bulletin boards in the stairway landing. The board on the left (as you go down) has information specific to visitors.
- Check out our web site at www.northshoreunitarians.ca.
- Know that our Connections Team is available to help you be as connected as you want to be. Our Minister and staff have irregular schedules during the summer (see page 4). In the meanwhile, you can contact Barrie Forbes by email (barrie.forbes@gmail.com) or phone (604-220-7644).



Our Quarterly Newsletter Schedule

Winter (Dec.-Feb.) Due date for articles is Nov. 15th

Spring (March-May) Due date for articles is Feb. 15th

Summer (June-August) Due date for articles is May 15th

Fall (Sept.-Nov.) Due date for articles is August 19th

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