



To help illustrate the latest chapter in the CVUU story, we offer the following photo essay. Taken in our new sacred space, the pictures here feature many of the faces that make up this vibrant and welcoming congregation – one that values spiritual growth, community, connection, justice and love.



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We invite  
you to take  
a look ...



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## OUR SACRED SPACE



We moved from a small old building, where flooding from the nearby Hague made access difficult. We have since happily embraced a spacious new home, where we are nourishing an ever-growing church family.





We dreamed of a new building.



We worked hard to make it happen.



We set about making it home.



# Building Dedication







*WORSHIP AND INSPIRATION*







Our youth performing a touching original, "Modern Day Nativity" play.

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The CVUU Choir, guest musicians and concert performers make a joyful noise in our sanctuary.





## *AGES AND STAGES*

Since moving into our new building, the Children's Religious Education Program has burgeoned. It is a robust component of our church, with 100 children currently registered.





Our first ever Chalice Camp this summer was such a rousing success that we plan to repeat it in 2020.

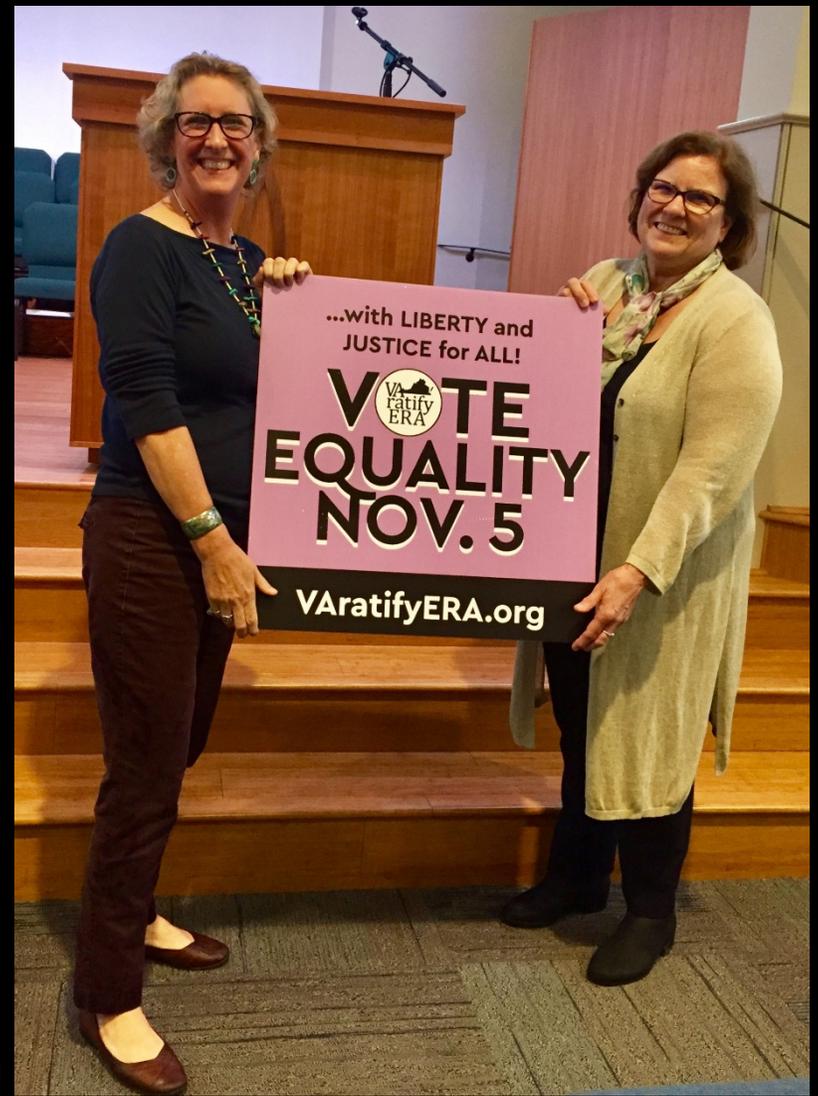




Our teen group meets weekly to discuss today's issues. They participated in their first UUSC service learning project in West Virginia last summer.



The Young Adult Group is a vibrant component of our church. They lead a service each year, meet regularly to share their stories about the spiritual paths they are following, and host a variety of fun gatherings.

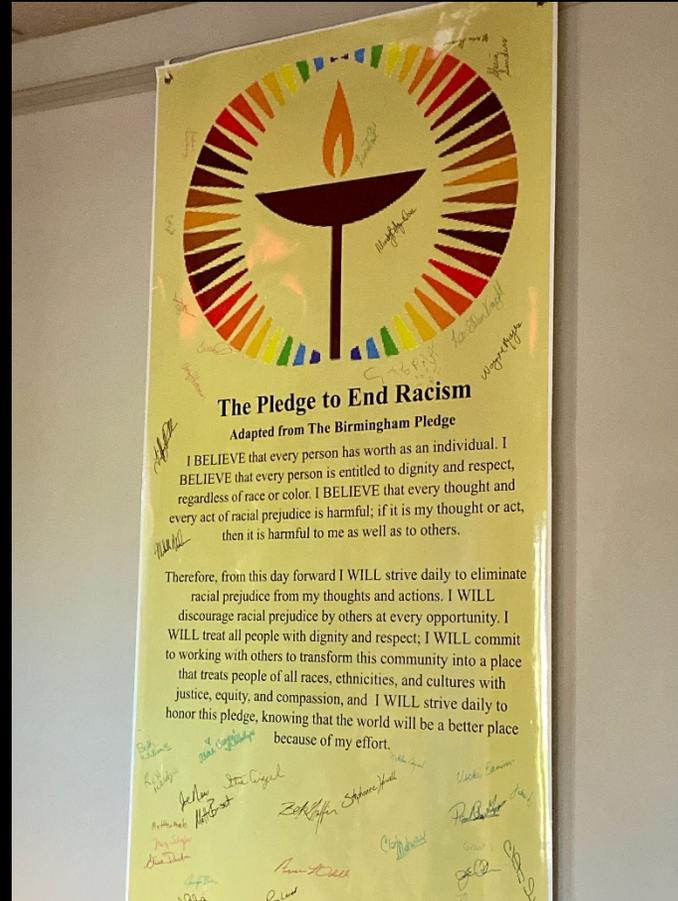
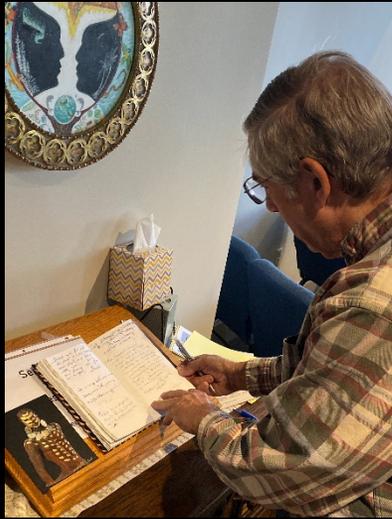


*SOCIAL JUSTICE AND INCLUSION*



Our church family is engaged in a wide variety of social justice initiatives, ranging from making sandwiches for the homeless to hosting members of the area's homeless population one week each winter. We support and advocate for many causes, including LGBTQ rights, civil rights, women's rights, ratification of the ERA, gun reform and environmentalism.







## *Leadership*

A committed Board of Directors governs the church, and our current minister, the Rev. Justine Sullivan, leads, inspires and counsels the congregation in its spiritual growth. A creative and dedicated staff reports to the minister. Lay leaders serve on many standing committees and undertake a variety of initiatives.



Rev. Justine



Susie, Office Manager



Tracy, Communications Coordinator



Rayven, Youth Coordinator



Paul, Director of Religious Education



Matt, Music Director

# *Celebrations and Connections—Our Beloved Community*



Canvass Celebration: Our church family once again reached its annual fund goal and we let it be a dance to celebrate.



The Hanging of the Greens is a tradition where young and old come together to transform the sanctuary into a festive space for the holidays.

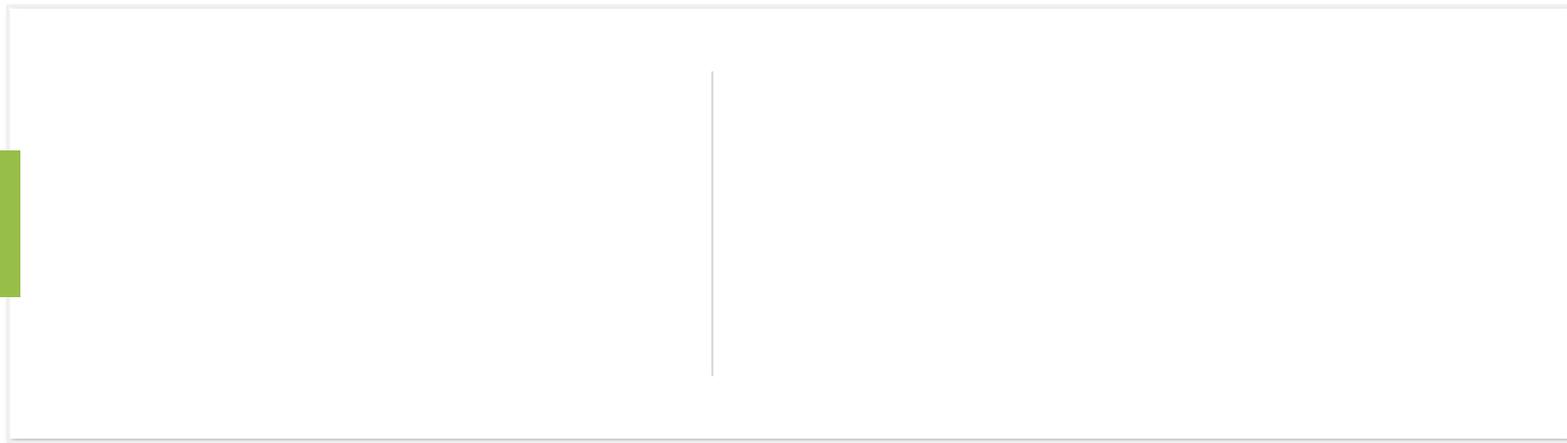


Thanksgiving dinner, cooking classes and chili cook-off: Just as church services nourish the soul, CVUU finds creative ways to nourish our bodies.

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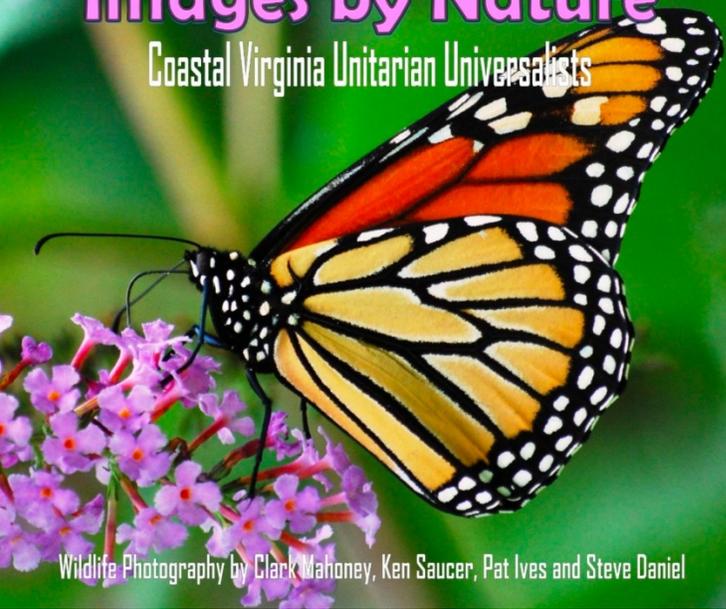


Coffeehouses showcase the musical talent within our church family – featuring musicians and performers of all ages – and raise funds to support the work of the church.



# Images by Nature

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Wildlife Photography by Clark Mahoney, Ken Saucer, Pat Ives and Steve Daniel





FUNdraisers! The Young Adult Group led the wildly fun and smashingly successful Monster Mash auction, which raised more than \$11,000 for the church.

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*ALL ARE WELCOME HERE!*

