

## Services

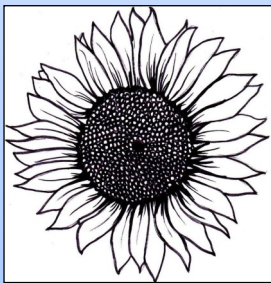
Services will resume  
in September.



## Schedule

September 17  
10:30 am

*First service of the  
church year.  
Followed by a  
potluck.*



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## August 2023 Newsletter

### Nora Unitarian Universalist Church

#### Wind on the Hill

No one can tell me,  
Nobody knows,  
Where the wind comes from,  
Where the wind goes.

It's flying from somewhere  
As fast as it can,  
I couldn't keep up with it,  
Not if I ran.

But if I stopped holding  
The string of my kite,  
It would blow with the wind  
For a day and a night.

And then when I found it,  
Wherever it blew,  
I should know that the wind  
Had been going there too.

So then I could tell them  
Where the wind goes...  
But where the wind comes from  
Nobody knows.

—A.A. Milne

#### Church Service Schedule

The Program Committee (Sally Anne Benson and Jeanie Hinsman) has begun preparation for our church services. We will meet on the first and third Sundays, as we did last year. Because the first Sunday in September is Labor Day weekend, our first scheduled service is Sunday, September 17.

We will have a special service to welcome the Bohomaz family to the Nora Church parsonage and the Hanska/New Ulm communities. We hope you will put this date on your

calendar and help us celebrate new friendships. A Potluck will follow the service in the fellowship hall.

#### Seeking Input!

Greetings Nora Members,

The Program Committee is looking for input from you for the upcoming church year. If you have suggestions for a guest speaker, please indicate his/her name and any known contact information. Also, please note any specific topic or subject matter you would like to see addressed at a service and include any information that might be helpful to the committee. Your help to make our Sunday services meaningful to the congregation will be greatly appreciated.

Please send information to [norachurch@sleepyeyetel.net](mailto:norachurch@sleepyeyetel.net) attention Program Committee and Brooke will forward to the committee, or you can contact Jeanie Hinsman or Sally Anne Benson with your suggestions. Thank you for your assistance.

#### August Board Meeting

The next Nora Board meeting is set for Wednesday, August 17th at 8:15 pm, via Zoom. Contact Sally for information.

Monthly board meetings are the 3rd Wednesday of the month, via Zoom.

## **August Birthdays & Anniversaries**

- 2—Ryann Kaim  
3—Peter Torkelson  
7—Greg Johnson; Daniel & Rebecca Am-  
born  
13—Carey Paulson  
18—Ken & Luella Chambard  
20—Robert Rabaschko  
21—Jordan Kuelbs  
22—Larry & Vicki Bakken; Peter & Viki Tor-  
kelson  
23—Lee Schmitt  
24—Brad & Linda Blomquist; Sydney Byro  
26—Jerry & Susan Allen; Dan & Patsy Am-  
born  
28—Melvin Mikkelson  
29—Randy & Teresa Paulson  
30—David & Michelle Bethke  
31—Karen Farrell; Ross Gratwohl

## **Board Update**

The board thanks Joy for her time (three terms) on the board, and for her time as board president! We welcome Sally as new board president! Sally will also act as liaison to the Program Committee. We welcome Nita Gilbert back to the board, serving as Vice President.

### *A Note From the Treasurer*

#### **June Income and Expenses**

Will be noted in the September newsletter.

2023 Church Year financials have not been finalized and will be in Septembers newsletter

*Income and expenses presented at the last board meeting(s). Income does not include memorials and gifts.*

A huge thankyou to Brett Lehman, who will no longer be on the Program Committee, and to the Benson's for the wonderful work they did in a difficult time. Nora is blessed to have you as friends and members.

### **From the Sustaining Air**

—Larry Eigner

from the sustaining air

fresh air

There is the clarity of a shore

And shadow, mostly, brilliance

summer

the billows of August

When, wandering, I look from my page

I say nothing

when asked

I am, finally, an incompetent, after all

*Larry Eigner, "From the Sustaining Air"*

### **Notes from the Nora Office...**

#### **Mere Lys Newsletter content due the 20th of each month**

Please send content of any kind, for the newsletter, grapevines, and more, to the Nora email.

*Summer hours are roughly once per week, working from home, with summer deposits 1-2 times per month. Set days/hours are not in place at this time, working around my farm work. I can be contacted through the Nora email. If you need to get ahold of me directly, or quickly, please connect with Sally. All content for the newsletters, etc. are appreciated!*

*Brooke Knisley, Office Assistant  
Summer hours—working from home, plus summer deposits.*