

### **Non-Medical Face Masks Available**

With the new CDC recommendation to use a non-medical cloth face covering as an additional public health measure, the UUFM has received a limited quantity of handmade cloth face masks (not medical-grade) for distribution to our members/friends. The pleated face masks are sized for adults with two layers of cotton fabric and a layer of interfacing. There are two styles available - elastic ear loops or ties. The ear loop style is best for quick trips or brief interactions (easier on/off, little looser fit). The tie style is better for extended wear and prolonged interactions (more adjustable, better face seal). The tie style are also latex-free.

If you need a mask for personal use, send an e-mail to Becky at [bzfrogz@gmail.com](mailto:bzfrogz@gmail.com) and specify the number and style (ear loops or ties) you need and whether you can pick them up or need delivery. There are limited quantities of each style and will be available while supplies last. There is no charge for these masks. We will get back to you with pickup time/location or delivery arrangements (contact-less, if possible).

### **President's Message:**

Well, so far we (as households, as a religious community, as a town, as a State) seem to be weathering the pandemic pretty well. But, as Han Solo said to Luke, "Don't get cocky, kid!" We all want to get back together again, to share coffee, to extend the hand of friendship. And we will, just as soon as it is safe to do so. In the meantime, we will meet on Zoom, we will phone and e-mail, and we will greet each other through our face masks from a safe distance as we meet each other out walking.

The UUA has been developing information about the debate over access to voting and voter suppression, both in these days of self-quarantining and more generally. Check it out at <https://www.uua.org/justice/vote2020>. This is becoming an important issue of social justice for our discernment.

We need to close out our pledge drive for next year's operating fund, so the Finance Committee and the Board can prepare a budget for the congregation's consideration at our Annual Meeting (scheduled for May 31—we hope face-to-face, but by Zoom if need be). If you have not sent in your pledge yet, please do so in the next few days. If you don't have your paper pledge form, you can find one [online](#). And, as always, a pledge of \$0 will be gratefully received (we want the entire congregation to be committed to our operations, at whatever is the appropriate amount for each).

As always, we are here for each other. Please, keep Rev. Rita informed as your circumstances change. And let us know when you need help of any sort (transportation, deliveries, meals, yardwork, computer help—you name it).