



Coming Home

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OUR MISSION

CVUU strives to be a caring religious community that encourages and supports the sharing of ideas and experiences of all who travel rich and varied spiritual paths.

Sunday Online Services

Tune in through Zoom each Sunday at 10:00 AM: <https://zoom.us/j/94154808522>

Sep
6

Water Communion

presented by Sondra Scott and Emerson James

Sep
13

How to Heal a World That Can't Be Fixed (25th Anniversary Lecture Series)

presented by Dr. Eliza Rosenberg

Sep
20

Educating in a Pandemic

presenter TBA

Sep
27

MLK

presented by George Wootton

What's New at CVUU?



She Enriched Our Lives

Dearest CVUU Friends,

We have very sad news to share. Sandy Charlson, our beloved friend, died Sunday night, August 23, after a little more than 3 years of living with cancer. She enriched our lives tremendously and we already miss her very much. Her strength, humor and optimism in the face of cancer inspired many of us. The loss is felt deeply by so many who know and loved her. Her family was with her and she died beautifully and comfortably. Special thanks to those of you who helped Sandy to travel to and from her treatments in Salt Lake City and Farmington, provided love, support, food, songs, and visits.

*photo by Leslie Black
18 August 2020*

Charlson, Sandra Gayle, 11 July 1959 – 23 August 2020

Following a lengthy battle with pancreatic cancer, Sandra Gayle Charlson passed away at home on August 23 at the age of 61 with her family at her side.

She will be dearly missed by her husband Christopher Lant, her daughters Hannah and Helen Lant, her brother David Charlson, her extended family, members of the Department of Art and Design at Utah State University, members of the Unitarian Universalist Congregations in Carbondale, Illinois and Logan, Utah, and many, many others whose lives she touched. As all can attest, Sandy had a natural ability to enrapture others with her joyous presence. She was predeceased by her parents Earl and Gladys Charlson.



*photo by Susanne Janecke
December 2019*

An online service was live-streamed on the Carbondale Unitarian Facebook page on August 29 (and can still be viewed [here](#)). When the pandemic has subsided, an in-person Celebration of Life will be held at Carbondale Unitarian Fellowship in Illinois.

In lieu of flowers, memorial donations can be made in Sandra Charlson's name to Planned Parenthood of Utah (www.weareplannedparenthood.org) or Pancreatic Cancer research and support (www.pancan.org). If preferred, you can make the donation [through CVUU](#).

Events & Announcements

Sep
3&17

Summer Reading Group (Adult RE)

Contact info: Emerson James at emijame@gmail.com

Thursdays (semi-weekly): 7:15pm online through Zoom

Sep
10

CVUU Board Meeting: All are welcome to attend and give input.

Contact info: Anne Hedrich at president@cvuu.org

Thursday, September 10: 5:30–7:00pm online through Zoom

Sep
19

Blood Drive

Contact info: Elizabeth Berke at 614-441-3394

Saturday, September 19: 10:00am–3:00pm at CVUU

Highlights from the Last Board Meeting

- We refinanced the mortgage and got really good terms on it. Thanks Lorien!
- The repairs to the retaining wall impinging on our neighbor's property are much more expensive than budgeted. We discussed financing options.
- We still need volunteers for strategic planning.

Blood Drive

Cache Valley Unitarian Universalist and the American Red Cross are hosting an upcoming blood drive at CVUU on **Saturday, September 19** from 10:00 AM to 3:00 PM.



American Red Cross

Please join our lifesaving mission and [schedule an appointment today!](#) Contact Elizabeth Berke at 614-441-3394 if you have any questions.

Service Opportunity

If you are interested in contributing to a project proposal for a temporary emergency homeless shelter in our community, contact coordinator@cvuu.org and I will get you in touch with Nicole from the BRLHCC (Bear River Local Homeless Coordinating Committee).

In Our Thoughts



- ◇ Sandy Charlson's family and loved ones
- ◇ Lisa Goede, whose husband, Ron Goede, recently passed away
- ◇ Friends, members, and their families struggling with physical or mental illness and other life struggles
- ◇ All those unable to visit loved ones in times of sadness and grief

"We light this chalice for the warmth of love, the light of wisdom, and the energy of action."

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