



Unitarian Universalist Congregation of Danbury

Monthly **COMMENT** Newsletter

Welcoming all in a spirit of compassion, inquiry, and service

NOVEMBER 2022

From our Minister



*Acknowledging the good that you already have in your life
is the foundation for all abundance.*

~ Eckhart Tolle

Just a couple of years ago, my husband Phil and I wrote and published a series of gratitude journals. We did this because both of us experienced deep grief in losing a spouse and found that being intentional about a daily gratitude practice is an important part of a healthy balanced life. It hasn't been a cure-all but it has, and continues to be, healing. Every morning, we take time to write in our gratitude journals. I must confess, there are some mornings when I wake up feeling less than grateful and it takes time for me to pick up the pen and write in that journal. And every day I am reminded that there is always something to be grateful for. But you know that, don't you? This is not a new idea, or a specifically UU idea.

We are entering the season where we're told "it's time to be grateful." That doesn't mean that we naturally feel grateful for all that is our life. We need to take time to stop, breathe, be aware of the good that we have in our lives, and then find a way to express our gratitude. Each and every one of us has something to be grateful for. As a spiritual community we always have something to be grateful for, and not just in this season of thanksgiving. We are grateful for reaching the 200-year anniversary of our founding. We are grateful for lay leaders who give of themselves tirelessly. We are grateful for opportunities to deepen our spiritual lives by learning from one another and giving to the wider community through social action engagements and our finances.

I encourage you, as you begin to observe holidays and holy days, gather with friends and family to break bread, and enjoy the special events in our beloved community, to acknowledge the good in your life. Acknowledge the good that is already there. Some days it may not be easy to acknowledge, but it's there. As Eckert Tolle asserts, that acknowledgement is the foundation for all abundance. Give thanks and share your gratitude!

Grateful for each of you,
Rev. Kathleen

Our Mission Statement:

The Unitarian Universalist Congregation of Danbury is an open religious community that welcomes a diversity of people, ideas and beliefs. We celebrate together that which is good in life, and offer comfort and care in times of need. With others, we work to create a just society and a sustainable Earth. We stand as a beacon for independent thought, and encourage lifelong spiritual and intellectual exploration. - Adopted by this congregation May 16, 2008

The Unitarian Universalist Congregation of Danbury is a UUA designated “Welcoming Congregation.” Our congregation is welcoming to people who are gay, lesbian, bisexual, and transgender. The Welcoming Congregation program is consistent with our first UU principle in which we covenant to affirm and promote the inherent worth and dignity of every person. We welcome all – regardless of age, race, disability, ethnicity, immigration status, sexual orientation, religious background, or political affiliation – factors that can separate people in our larger culture.

Deadline for the December Comment –
Friday, November 18th.

November Services – One Service at 10:00 a.m.

Sunday, November 6th

What Are You Doing Here?

Rev. Daniel O’Connell

Through old and new religious voices, this persistent question endures. It is asked of individuals, groups, even–congregations.



Rev. Dr. Daniel O'Connell, comes from several generations of Disciples of Christ ministers. As a Unitarian Universalist minister Daniel served churches in Danbury, CT; St. Louis, MO; and Houston, TX. He served on various regional and national denominational boards with distinction. He co-founded the UU Voice for Justice, a rapid response social justice network. In early 2018, Daniel left the UU ministry and now enjoys occasional preaching & helping Texans find health insurance, both for those under and over age 65.

Sunday, November 13th

The Gift of Humility

Rev. Dr. Kathleen Rudoff

As we approach gift-giving season, whether tentatively with dread, or head-on with excitement, let’s take a moment and consider a virtue found in Hebrew and Christian scriptures, as well as in Islam, Buddhism and writings by Chinese philosopher Lao Tzu: humility. It’s a priceless gift worthy of our attention.

Sunday Connections for Newcomers - Newcomers are invited to join Rev. Kathleen after the service on Sunday, November 13, in the Fellowship Hall for an informal get-acquainted session. Let us know what brought you here. What questions do you have about Unitarian Universalism and about our Danbury congregation? The November 13th Sunday Connections will be an in person only session. If attending an in person session is difficult, please reach out to Membership Co-Chair **Heather Smith** about setting up a Zoom Connections session in the near future.

Sunday, November 20th

Giving Thanks – a multigenerational service of Thanksgiving

Revs. Kathleen Rudoff and Sierra-Marie will lead this special service for all ages and there will be special music to enjoy. This will be a wonderful service to invite your friends and family to participate in person or online.

Our **Share-the-Plate offering** will go to Danbury Area Refugee Assistance (DARA). DARA is a nonprofit organization that resettles refugee families, providing advocacy and support as they work toward self-sufficiency to become productive members of our community.

Sunday, November 27th

An Awkward Truth

Rev. Michael O'Sullivan

There is at the heart of Unitarianism an awkward truth, a truth that doesn't sit well in a world craving definitions and rigid certainty.



Like many Irish Unitarians, Mike chose the Unitarian faith rather than being born into it. Born and raised a Roman Catholic, he began his journey into religious life by studying for the catholic priesthood. Having decided this was not the path for him, he left and pursued a highly successful career as a radio disc jockey. Along the way, having left his catholic roots, Mike became a Unitarian being drawn by the open and inclusive approach to religion. With much hesitancy, uncertainty and a lot of apprehension he began studies as a student minister. He was ordained in 2017 and took up the position as minister to the church in Cork. In his five years he has undertaken a renovation of the Cork church which dates back to 1717 and has like many others faced the challenges of ministering during Covid. Mike is married to Kay who is an educator, as is their daughter. Mike cites his major influence as being the episcopal bishop John Shelby Spong.

**SAVE THESE
DATES!**

Sunday, December 4th - Greening the Fellowship Hall after the service

We will have a great time decorating our sacred space. This is for all ages and we may order pizza to enjoy while we decorate! If you have some lightly used decorations you're willing to donate, please contact the office or Sierra-Marie.

Friday, December 9th - Continuing the 200th Anniversary Celebration

This is the actual date of our anniversary and we will celebrate with a decadent dessert reception at 7:30pm. Our 200th Anniversary quilt will be unveiled and special music will be performed.

Saturday, December 24th - A very special Christmas Eve service for all ages will be held at 5:00 pm and all are invited to enjoy the stories and music of Christmas.

Keep an eye out for more details on all of these events. You don't want to miss them!

From the Board of Trustees

by Nancy Cullen, Secretary

The Comment



The Short List



My experimental Short List of UUCD things to share for busy people.

Read the whole *Comment* for more!

- Check <https://uudanbury.org/blog/events-calendar/> on the website for Community Dinners, Social Action Projects and other ongoing events!
- 17 young people (with more expected) are registered in Religious Education; we may not see them Sunday mornings, because they meet at other times. The Middle School Group has launched, a High School OWL Group begins this winter. Sierra-Marie Gerfao (our DRE) reports: a sense of community is rebuilding.
- We celebrated our 200th Anniversary with Guest Rev. Lauren Smith, from the UUA, music from our choir, a brunch and trivia games.
- Gary Mummert continues to oversee our new part time employee, David Luftig, as they maintain our facility.
- Supplemental pledges to offset our deficit increased in September and October. Your contributions are welcome.
- Welcome again to the 10 new members!
- Non-perishable foods for the Dorothy Day Shelter will be accepted Sunday mornings.
- Lynn Taborsak's group, (two-thirds of them from UUCD), sent get-out-the-vote postcards to less privileged communities.
- Our fabulous Auction will be February 11th, with both live and online components. Volunteers for this fun, short-term committee are needed.
- The first Music at the Ridge Monthly Acoustic Music Concert <https://musicattheridge.org/> was great. November 6th is the next one. Advance tickets and opportunities to volunteer are available.
- The Social Media Call To Action group meets November 5th to enhance our social media presence.
- Our website's daily visitor count reached 86 in mid-October, from a summertime average in the 30s. <https://uudanbury.org/> is frequently updated, reaching those searching for a congregation and anyone needing information about UUCD.
- Suze Shaner's interview of Rev. Dr. Kathleen Rudoff, via video is added to our website - don't miss it! <https://uudanbury.org/about-us/our-stories/>

From Our Director of Religious Education For Children and Youth



Dear Congregation,

As I shared last month, this year Religious Education is designed to be “more than Sunday, more than one way.” Rev. Kathleen and I have worked hard to make sure that to the extent we have volunteers to make it happen, this congregation offers multiple forms of ministry for kids with different personalities, needs, and schedules.

This month we will complete what may simply be a first iteration of experiments with monthly congregation-wide community dinners (followed by optional theme-based programs) and social action projects, and we will be collecting feedback about these programs in formal and informal ways. If you didn’t participate, was it because the schedule did not work or was there another reason? If you did participate, in what ways was your experience meaningful, and what suggestions might you offer for future iterations of the experiment?

One thing we have learned already in the “more than Sunday, more than one way” approach is that Sunday evenings seem to be the time when families are most reliably available. This is why we are planning to have our middle school youth meet for OWL on Sunday evenings, when they are less likely to have conflicts with sport commitments. One challenge this presents is helping the congregation remain connected, when families with children may not be physically present on Sunday mornings while the rest of the congregation is gathered. However, we have noticed parents and even children attending services online on Sunday mornings. What have you noticed? What would help you feel connected?

We have also noticed that special events, like the pumpkin-carving event we had in October, tend to have high attendance, whereas weekly commitments don’t invite the same commitment from families. This may make a program like OWL more challenging to offer, as it requires a constancy of attendance. This also challenges those families who are more available to feel connected when they are present but others with children are not. What information does this offer us about the best ways to do Religious Education in a new era? As always, I welcome your thoughts!

Warmly in Faith,
Sierra-Marie

Upcoming in Religious Education

The nursery is open for children ages 0-5 every Sunday during service. Our nursery care providers are eager to welcome your children! We also offer regular programming open to children in preschool through high school.

- **Sunday, November 6th** - Regular Sunday morning programs
- **Sunday, November 13th** - Preparing the mitten tree during Sunday morning programs
- **Sunday, November 20th** - Multigenerational Sunday Service and a Middle School Youth Group Game Night
- **Sunday, November 27th** - No in-person programs for the holiday weekend

If you have not yet registered your family for children and youth programs, [please do so here](#). Once you have registered your family, you will be added to the Religious Education email list for regular updates about programming.

Updates About the Our Whole Lives Sexuality Education Programs

We are pleased to once again be able to offer the holistic, comprehensive, values-centered sexuality education program known as Our Whole Lives (OWL) at the following age levels:

- **Youth in Junior High, Grades 7-8th:** This program will launch immediately after the winter holidays, if not earlier (to be determined by family and volunteer availability), and will generally be held on Sunday evenings. There are 25 sessions, so we will also be doing some overnight retreats to complete the series.
- **Youth in Senior High, Grades TBD:** This program will launch soon after the winter holidays, if not earlier (to be determined by family and volunteer availability), and will generally be held on Sunday mornings. There are twelve sessions.

If you have a youth in your household in these age groups, please keep your eye out for updates, information, and an announcement about the mandatory parent/guardian orientation.

We will also launch a 10-session program at the upper elementary/lower middle school level this spring if we have enough family interest and a second volunteer (not someone who identifies as a woman, for gender balance) to make it happen. If you have an interest in facilitating OWL at that level, or getting trained to lead the adult OWL programs, please get in touch with our Director of Religious Education, Sierra-Marie, at dre@udanbury.org to talk about whether this might be the right fit for you.

Notes on Two Hundred Years (and More)

by Douglas H. Parkhurst

Danbury Universalists, both before and after organizing in 1822, met in a variety of locations. These included private homes, a schoolhouse in Great Plain, and perhaps even in barns and the open air when weather permitted. Later the group began meeting in the court house in the borough of Danbury, on present-day lower Main Street. As told in Bailey's *History of Danbury* (1896) the local Methodists and the Universalists would have together built a union meetinghouse sometime prior to 1828. This did not work out, however, and the Universalists retired from the project. By the early 1830s the Universalist Society was well enough established to construct its own building at what is now 88 Main Street, facing the court house. Bishop Curtis Homes stands on this site today.

The Connecticut Universalist Convention (state governing body) was formed in 1832 and on October 9, 1833, met in Danbury on which occasion this new Universalist meetinghouse was dedicated. The dedicatory sermon was delivered by Matthew Hale Smith, then pastor of the Hartford Universalist Society. Smith was at the beginning of a checkered career that saw him renounce Universalism at least twice. He went on to become a Congregationalist minister, militia chaplain, lawyer, journalist, author, and popular lecturer. Delegates to the General Convention of Universalists (national governing body) assembled in Hartford in September 1835. At this gathering a representative of the Connecticut Convention offered reports, more than thirty in all, on the condition of the state's Universalist societies, churches, unorganized groups, and preaching. Danbury's Society was described thus:

"Here is a flourishing society, consisting of twenty-nine members, and a church connected with the society. The brethren here have recently erected a large and beautiful house of worship. They have now no settled clergyman, but usually have employed one half the time. The brethren are steadfast, persevering, and increasing in numbers, and meetings are generally well attended."

John Warner Barber's 1836 *Connecticut Historical Collections* detailed history, geography, and interesting facts about towns in the state. The chapter on Danbury was illustrated with four engravings depicting local scenes and buildings. Two of these illustrations clearly show the Universalist church. The building is two and one-half stories and rectangular in shape with a narrower end facing Main Street. There are windows looking south on each main floor and to the rear facing west. We can assume windows also graced the northern and eastern sides with public entry from Main Street. A tower and steeple rose over the center front. The building appears substantial.

Here was home to the First Universalist Society for eighteen years. Worship, as before, was conducted depending on the availability of preachers, though laypersons were encouraged to meet and lead Scripture reading, prayer, discussions, and the like. Perhaps seven clergy, not counting guest preachers, served the Society during this time, an average of one every two years. In 1835 and 1847 there was no settled pastor. Two ministers were ordained in Danbury: Albert Case in 1834 and George H. Deere in 1849 [see note below]. A choir was formed in the 1830s and denominational records show a Sunday school established by 1838. We can assume that a variety of social events, programs, and fund-raising activities took place during these years. The Southern Association of Connecticut comprising Universalist groups in Fairfield, New Haven, and Middlesex counties was organized in Danbury in 1836. The Connecticut Universalist Convention also met in Danbury from time to time.

The fortunes of the Society appear to have declined during the late 1830s to the mid-1840s. In early August 1847 Rev. Salmon C. Bulkeley, who was settled in Danbury from 1836 to 1838 and would return in the 1850s, paid a visit to his former pastorate. He wrote the following for the *Universalist Union* periodical of August 14, 1847: "That society has passed through many vicissitudes....We do most sincerely regret the necessity that existed for mutilating their beautiful church in the manner it has been done, but since it was thought best, we will not complain, but rather rejoice that the society is now free from debt, with a neat and convenient place for worship free of incumbrance....All that now seems to be needed to secure them a greater degree of prosperity than they have ever before enjoyed is a faithful and judicious pastor, and union and a healthy cooperation of all the friends of our cause, with him in his labors...."

The nature of the "vicissitudes" which plagued the Society can only be guessed at. Perhaps the nationwide economic Panic of 1837 and years-long depression which followed played a part. How the church building was "mutilated" is likewise lost to history though we can infer that some degree of interior remodeling and/or exterior change, which distressed Rev. Bulkeley, was carried out.

Times and fortunes can improve, however, and in 1851 the Danbury Universalists were ready to construct a new church on Liberty Street, just east of its intersection with Main, on a lot later numbered 30. And there was an interested buyer for their meetinghouse on Main Street.

[Note - Albert Case served in Danbury for less than a year. George Deere ministered from 1849 to 1851. In Universalist practice ministerial fellowship (to be licensed to preach) and ordination (to conduct all clerical activities) were authorized not by local churches but by a denominational body, such as a county or regional association, a state convention, or the General Convention. Associated ceremonies often took place in local churches, however.]

To be continued in December 2022...

Ministry/Team News



Our Caring Circle is Available

Our 'Care Coordinator' receives requests and answers questions for the Caring Circle.

Joan Campbell is the contact person for November.

Joan Stapleton is the assistant.

If you have a need, please contact **Joan Campbell**.

Please note that your call will be returned as quickly as possible but it may be at the end of the day.

From the *Auction Committee*

UU Danbury BUY-centennial Auction

Our 2022 auction for UU Danbury will be held **February 11, 2023**.

This will give us plenty of opportunity to make generous offers of our time, talent, and treasure.

We are inviting anyone who's interested in:

- designing a logo
- doing data entry for our online auction,
- writing articles for weekly and monthly newsletters to keep members up to date with auction happenings,
- soliciting and sending testimonial clips to increase excitement,
- making phone calls to solicit donations,
- interning to use the Bidding Owl auction website,
- editing, taking pictures, and writing copy for donations,
- tech support to keep Bidding Owl and the auction night running smoothly,
- keeping spreadsheets... to name just a few things...

The opportunities for involvement are endless we would love to have your help as we enter our tricentennial.

Mark your calendar for **February 11, 2023**. In the meantime send an email to **Lisa Horton** or **Barb Myers** and let us know you want to be part of our Auction Production Team. We're fun to work with!

From the *Social Action Council*

Soup Kitchen Corner

by Judy Lacker

On Saturday, November 5th, some members of Soup Kitchen Team #1 (Team Leaders **Judy Lacker & Rose Schlemmer, John Miglietta, Inge Hill, Sally Mandler, Jane Leff & Randy Becker, Brian Teagarden and Gary Winn**) will be returning to the Dorothy Day Soup Kitchen on Spring Street to help serve take-out meals that were cooked in volunteers' homes as well as bagged sandwiches for lunches and breakfasts and hot lunches for Pacific House also prepared in volunteers' homes as well as through donations. Unfortunately, we are not yet able to serve the guests a meal inside because of the Covid pandemic.

You can also help feed our neighbors with a gift card in any amount from any local supermarket. In addition, you can still continue to make food donations to the Daily Bread Food Pantry (25 West Street - entrance off Terrace Place). Donations are accepted on Mondays between 11 am and 2 pm and on Fridays between 8:30 am and 11:30 am. Lynn Taborsak has also been scheduling the sandwich donations so we have just the right amount each day at Dorothy Day Soup Kitchen. If you are interested in making sandwiches, please email her at ddhhsandwiches@gmail.com. We can all be an important part of the fight to end hunger in our community!

From **Team Green**

by Barbara Myers



We were all proud in 2018 when UU Danbury was awarded a Level 3 “Green House of Worship” certificate by the Inter-religious Eco-Justice Network of CT. Perhaps you have seen it hanging over the water fountain in our Fellowship Hall!

Now that we are “back” together onsite, Team Green reminds you that we need to live our “green” values on campus. Some practices we need to return to:

- ★ As evidenced by our 200th Celebration, we have an enormous amount of silverware, plates, cups, glasses and dessert dishes available. And TWO working dishwashers! So... we urge no use of plastic knives, forks, spoons, cups, glasses - unless as a backup (example: dishwashers are broken)
- ★ Restrict use of paper towels and plastic tablecloths where possible - we have 12 dishcloths and 6 tablecloths in the kitchen! Folks are available to launder it all, too!
- ★ After events, try not to throw food away - cookies and baked goods can go in the freezer for upcoming coffee hours. There are aluminum containers on the kitchen shelves for leftovers folks can take home.
- ★ Use the compost bucket (with its compostable bags) in the kitchen for non-meat food scraps and coffee grounds (Coffee makers, kudos to you for continuing to do this!)
- ★ Continue to put recycling objects in their dedicated containers, and trash in its own container.



Milkweed seeds available at UUCD

Monarch butterflies depend on milkweed, and we can create food for them. Milkweed seeds are dispersing now, so one can capture some seeds easily. They can be found at the end of the retaining wall near the compost tumbler.

Upcoming Events



UUCD Men Conversing over Coffee meets on the second Wednesday of each month. Our next meeting is on Wednesday, November 9th at 9:30 a.m. at UUCD in the Fellowship Hall Lower Level. For more information contact **Gary Mummert** or **Joe Gillotti**.

Chair Yoga - All aspects of this class are designed to lead a person to a feeling of wellness and learning to become calmer. Come join our happy group, it's great value in so many ways, on Mondays 3:00 – 4:00 p.m. at UUCD. Participants must contact their doctor or medical provider for approval before attending this Chair Yoga Class. To register, or if you have questions or concerns, contact **Joe Gillotti** any evening during the week after 7:00 pm.

Our monthly Community Dinners Experiment concludes with a souper supper on November 9th!



We will assess the experiment and decide whether or not to continue the community dinners as is, adjust it with a few tweaks, or perhaps let it go. We need to know if this is something you think is important for us to continue and whether or not you will participate.

November's dinner will offer a variety of soups, some salad, and a simple dessert. Beverages will also be available and efforts will be made to have all food ingredients labeled and allergies accommodated. Generous UUCD cooks will once again be preparing the food! Bring yourself and your appetite to the Fellowship Hall. Gathering will begin at 5:45 and dinner will be available at 6pm. We will move into programming at 6:40, with a choice of discussion, activity, or choir rehearsal. The discussion and activity will end around 7:30 and choir rehearsal will end at 8:30.

Bring family and friends and be sure to r.s.v.p. If you have not previously helped with set up or clean up, please consider signing up to do so in order to spread the work around. Thank you.

Community Spotlight: Interfaith AIDS Ministry of Greater Danbury

In 1989, a coalition of faith communities in the Greater Danbury area responded to the critical needs of individuals and families infected and affected by the HIV/AIDS virus by forming the Interfaith AIDS Ministry (IAM) of Greater Danbury. Today, IAM continues to offer critical support services to families faced with the nutritional, physical, and spiritual challenges of living with HIV/AIDS while providing vital education programs that respond to the greater community. IAM serves areas inclusive of Danbury, Bethel, Brookfield, New Fairfield, Newtown, Redding, Sherman, and New Milford. This month both our monthly congregational social action project and our Mitten Tree gift collection will benefit the families of IAM.

Community Give Back is Friday, November 18th

Save the date! Our next monthly “one and done” congregational **social action project** to give back to the larger community will be on Friday, November 18th from 7-8PM. Come and make (relatively) healthy snack kits for kids and beverage kits for adults of the Interfaith AIDS Ministry (IAM) of Greater Danbury. We will be collecting items such as the following for these kits.

Snack Kits:

- Granola bars or Lara Bars
- Fruit roll-ups, fruit leather, and/or That’s It real fruit bars
- Snack-sized popcorn (such as Boom Chickapop or Smartfood)
- Dried apples, mangoes, or bananas
- Freeze-dried fruits
- Amara Smoothie melts
- Bark Thins
- Single-serving cups of applesauce or applesauce squeezes
- Mixed fruit cups in fruit juice
- Annie’s Cheddar Bunnies
- Medium-Large Lidded Plastic Storage Bins to put each family’s snacks in

Beverage Kits:

- Coffee
- Tea
- Cocoa
- Large baskets to put the beverages in



Mitten Tree

It’s almost Mitten Tree time! You are invited to share a holiday gift with a family of the Interfaith AIDS Ministry (IAM) of Greater Danbury. Each November IAM gives us a list of families, along with some requests for gifts for family members. Families are told that each request should be something that can be purchased for \$25 or less. Adults are permitted one request. Children are permitted three requests: something to read, an article of clothing, and a toy.

The children and youth of the UU Congregation of Danbury will soon decorate paper mitten ornaments with the gift requests listed on the back and hang these on a “Mitten Tree.” You are invited to **collect a mitten ornament starting Sunday, November 20th**, and to **bring back the gift to UUCD by Sunday, December 4th**.

A couple of us have been talking about creating a Thanksgiving dinner together in Fellowship Hall where each of us brings a dish to share, and we break bread and celebrate together-- kind of on the model of the Passover Seders we used to have before the pandemic. If you would like to join us contact **Nancy Hershatter**.



Music at the Ridge

On October 2nd, our brand new live acoustic music series, Music at the Ridge, opened to a full house of enthusiastic audience members who gave Pete and Maura Kennedy a standing ovation at the conclusion of two 45 minute sets of mostly original songs accompanied by high-energy dueling guitars and gorgeous harmonies. The audience was comprised of longtime fans of the Kennedys as well as first-timers, some of them UU's who wanted to support the series. Both groups had a wonderful time, and were enthusiastic about coming back next month for more wonderful music.

Pat Wictor is a Brooklyn-based multi-instrumentalist who spent most of his growing-up years in South America and Europe, and he claims many cultures as influences on his writing and performing. Tickets to his Music at the Ridge concert November 6 are now on sale at Eventbrite.com, or through www.musicattheridge.org. Join us!!



MUSIC AT THE RIDGE
presents
PAT WICTOR

Brooklyn-based singer-songwriter Pat Wictor makes his home in many musical worlds. Grounded in rural blues and gospel traditions, Wictor's lean, poetic songs and expressive guitar playing are seasoned with jazz, pop, improvisational surprise, philosophy, and social commentary. His recent solo CD, *This is Absolutely Real: Visions and Versions of Phil Ochs*, reached #2 on the Folk-DJ charts and was nominated for Best Tribute Album by the Independent Music Awards. His latest CD, *Flare*, a concept album examining political division in America, was just released (<https://patwictor.bandcamp.com/album/flare>)

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 6 AT 4 PM

UNITARIAN UNIVERSALIST CONGREGATION OF DANBURY

24 CLAPBOARD RIDGE ROAD, DANBURY, CT.

LIVE AND VIRTUAL TICKETS AT: <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/pat-wictor-tickets-405379640417>



MORE INFO: WWW.MUSICATTHE RIDGE.ORG

November

A decorative horizontal border consisting of a dark brown line with various colorful autumn leaves (red, purple, yellow, orange, green, and brown) scattered along it.