



Midcoast Unitarian Universalist Fellowship

Worship Invitation March 5, 2022



March 6: “A Prayer for Peace” Led by Bettina Lehovec

The brutal attack on Ukraine leaves many of us feeling anguished and fearful. What can we do to help? How can we remain resilient in the face of such suffering? Join us for a service of prayer and reflection as we consider how to live our faith into the world.

Please join us at **10:30 am** using the zoom link below:

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://zoom.us/j/96686220659>

Meeting ID: 966 8622 0659

Telephone: Dial by your location
+1 929 205 6099 US (New York)

How can you help? Follow the link to the New York Times excellent [article](#) on “How You Can Help in Ukraine.”

RETURN TO IN-PERSON SERVICES

Given the improving Covid-19 conditions in Maine, our Board of Trustees has voted to resume in-person services at the Edgecomb Town Hall beginning on Sunday, March 20th (the first day of spring!). Remote live attendance via Zoom will also be offered. Please plan to wear a high quality medical mask while you are indoors at the service. If you are not fully vaccinated and boosted, please join us via Zoom.

Message from the Minister



Bettina Lehovec

New Offering: Monthly Vespers Service

"Vespers" is an old-fashioned word for evening devotion. We'll take a half hour to center ourselves with reflective readings, music, and a chance to share our thoughts on a theme. Since we're moving into Lent, we'll probably do something along the lines of planting seeds or preparation. Join us!

Topic: March Vespers

Time: Mar 8, 2022 06:00 PM Eastern Time (US and Canada)

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us04web.zoom.us/j/77711852029?pwd=TzI9mdWQomxpYlAx7oI0Y4hbuxPXyX.1>

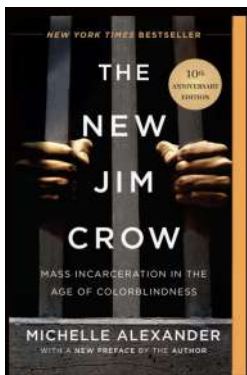
From Our President

Spring is just around the corner, and our Fellowship is blooming! So many of you are helping to make this happen, and we are deeply grateful.

Our Fellowship has an important decision to make. We invite all of our members and friends to attend a congregational discussion regarding the search for our next minister. The discussion will take place following the worship service on Sunday March 20th and will be held in-person at the Edgecomb Town Hall, and simultaneously via Zoom. Following the [link](#) below, will provide you with the information you will need to fully participate in this discussion.

The decision that we make will be greatly influenced by the financial position that we decide to put ourselves in. Our current status is explained in this [link](#). In summary, considerable additional pledge support is needed.

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Religious Exploration

Our next zoom book discussion, facilitated by Mary Finn, will be The New Jim Crow: "Mass Incarceration in the Age of Colorblindness." There will be two discussion dates: Monday, March 28, 6 p.m. for the first 3 chapters of the book; and Monday, April 25, 6 p.m. for the final 3 chapters of the book.



Racial Justice Zoom Discussion

Wednesday, March 23
6:30-8:00 p.m.

You choose what you want to read or watch. We provide a choice board with some ideas. And then we discuss our learnings, insights and questions. We did this last month, and found this format rewarding, so we are doing it again. Join others from Midcoast UU Fellowship and UU Rockland, and let's explore together. Hosted by Carney McRae, Director of Religious Exploration.

Register in advance for this meeting:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/join/tZIsdeGvrj4vGNeG78ZZkYApkWhU0m3S5>

After registering, you will receive a confirmation email containing information about joining the meeting and a link to the choice board.

Midcoast Maine Men's Group

Purpose: To allow men a safe, confidential space to explore and discuss the stereotypical roles of being a man in present times, and how those imposed roles match-up with and impact our lives.



We will meet weekly, every two weeks, or monthly as the group decides, on a predetermined evening. Our first meeting will be introductions and getting to know each other. The meetings will be structured with an opening, a brief check-in, feedback, inter-personals, individual sharing and a closing. Topics of discussion can be wide ranging as they pertain to how they affect you or men in general. We can explore the male archetypes: King, Warrior, Magician, Lover, as described by Robert Moore in his book of the same title. We can discuss and support each other in what is the perception of "being a man" as portrayed in movies, TV shows, advertising, and in our own lives growing up. We can provide each other a safe place to talk about gender roles, job expectations, men's health, or any other issues that may pop up in our lives. The ideal number for this group would be eight men, but we could accommodate 6-10. If interested contact Mike Dearborn at 860-514-1810 or email me at michael.dearborn@comcast.net.

Social Justice



OUR FAITH IN ACTION WITH MUUSAN
By Mary Finn, Congregational Legislative Liaison
Week of March 6, 2022

Wabanaki Alliance Legislative Lobby Day planned for Wednesday, March 9
Click [here](#) for details!

MUUSAN March 12th Network Meeting
10 am - 12:30 pm on Zoom
Protecting Democracy's Guardrails

Democracy's survival depends on protecting and strengthening the guardrails that protected the 2020 election. But what are those guardrails, and how can we protect and defend them? The March MUUSAN network meeting will feature Former Maine Secretary of State, Matt Dunlap, Representative Nicole Grohoski, and other speakers discussing how we, as Maine UUs, can best protect democracy in this challenging time.

Register [HERE](#)



Anti-racism Vigil: Every Monday 12:00 - 12:30 pm at the Newcastle Veterans Memorial Park. Check [PUAR's](#) Facebook page for updates.

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