



## **Midcoast Unitarian Universalist Fellowship**

### **Worship Invitation April 24, 2022**



**April 24:** - This Sunday's service is titled, **In Honor of Earth Day: Spiritual Leadership for a Climate Changed World**. This service will honor Earth Day by including the voices of leaders from different backgrounds and traditions, including Native Americans, Buddhists, environmentalists, and theologians. It will also include ***Four Aims for Spiritual Leadership for a Climate Changed World***- the words of Rev. Allen Ewing-Merrill, Executive Director of the BTS Center in Portland, ME. [BTS Center was formerly the Bangor Theological Seminary] *This month, our Share the Plate collection, taken on April 24, 2022, will go to Focus on Agriculture in Rural Maine Schools (FARMS) to support their new outreach programs to local food pantries.*

**LIVE AT THE EDGECOMB TOWN HALL AT 10:30 AM**  
**MASKS REQUIRED (Note: N95 masks are most effective)**

**If you are not fully vaccinated, feeling ill or are unable to attend, please join us via zoom.**

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)

## Upcoming Services

**May 1: Only Kindness Matters** - Led by Bettina Lehovec and Rashi Nessen.

What can one person do in the face of worldwide suffering? Begin with kindness, for ourselves and for others. "Kindness sits quietly beyond all things." — Charlie Mackesy.

**May 8: Mother's Day** - We are not all mothers, but all of us were born to one. Would you like to share a brief reflection about mothers and motherhood during our service on May 8? It doesn't have to be a "rainbows & unicorns" tale (though we welcome those, too!); we recognize that not all things having to do with motherhood are happy and sweet. You might be Childless by Choice, or you might have experienced a difficult relationship with your own mother, or your own child. Your mom might have been your older brother. You might have been the older brother-mom to your siblings. There are so many stories. We want to hear yours. Come be a part of our service! Please contact Penny Ziarnik by April 29 if you are interested.



**May 15: Black Madonna and whitemalegod: Rethinking Religious Archetypes** - Led by Lindy Gifford and Bettina Lehovec.

**May 22: Guest minister** Reverend Donna Dolham will speak.

**May 29: Creativity** - Worship associate Susan Borg will coordinate a service of hands-on sharing. We are all creative beings! Let's see what our friends are up to.

## Message from the Minister

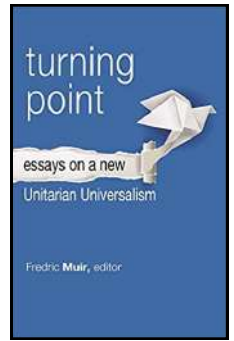
### May Day Event



Join us after worship on Sunday, May 1, to make May Baskets. All are invited to participate! If you are willing and able, please bring some baked goodies (such as cookies, brownies, etc.) to go in the May Baskets that we will be making on May Day. Depending on the amount available, there may be enough for everyone to have some goodies - otherwise we will place them in the baskets that are being delivered to people in our Fellowship who can use an extra boost. We also hope to share an outdoor lunch, weather permitting.

### **“Turning Point” Book Group**

It's not too late to join this group, which will meet for three sessions on **Tuesday, April 26, May 10 and May 24 from 6-7:30 p.m.** The book explores our UU history of proud individualism and how that may be keeping us from the beloved community we desire. Contact Bettina at [minister@uumidcoast.org](mailto:minister@uumidcoast.org) for more information.



### **Racial Justice Reading Group**



This Wednesday at 6:30 p.m. No assigned content...just rich discussion about the books and movies we've been reading and watching on our own. Join us!

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### **Memorial Service for Tom Justice on Saturday, April 30th**

There will be a memorial service for Tom Justice on Saturday, April 30th **at 1 pm at Inn Along the Way, 741 Main Street, Damariscotta**, for those who knew and had a connection to him. He was a regular attendee of the Fellowship and a choir member while he was living in this area. He died earlier this year at Durgin Pines in Kittery.

### **Social Justice**



**Anti-racism Vigil:** The weekly Monday vigil's are from **5:00 pm- 5:30 pm** at the Newcastle Veterans Memorial Park. Check [PUAR's](#) Facebook page for updates.



**Coming next week! A full summary of all of the MUUSAN activities this legislative session. There are many successes to celebrate.**

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