



## **Midcoast Unitarian Universalist Fellowship**

### **Worship Invitation May 29, 2022**



**May 29: Creating Beauty** - Our service this Sunday will be a celebration of our shared creativity! Our Fellowship is full of artists of all sorts. Please bring some of your art work: painting, photography, quilts and wearable art, sculpture, carving, jewelry, musical pieces or performances, poems, stories, essays! Our Fellowship is also full of creative folks who don't consider themselves artists: gardeners, homemakers, cooks, bird watchers, parents, teachers. Please bring photos or stories about your creations!

**LIVE AT SKIDOMPHA LIBRARY 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:

<https://us06web.zoom.us/j/93286813206>

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## Upcoming Service

**June 5: "Let's call It What it is"** - Acknowledging that we benefit from white privilege is the first step in healing our country from racial hatred. Understanding what an antiracist is, and how to become an antiracist can come next. Let's embrace the truth - and the pain - of the racism that is at the heart of our communities. And let us move to action and repair. Join us for this service sponsored by the Social Justice Committee and facilitated by Patti Anderson, Melissa Dearborn, Tiffany Vencile, and Mary Finn. Let's move forward joyfully and with love.

## Religious Exploration

**Saturday and/or Sunday June 4-5**

**Church Retreat at Blueberry Cove 4-H Camp in Tenants Harbor**

Calling all playful people of all ages! This traditional gathering is offered by UURockland (UUR). Midcoast UU folks (MUUF) are invited to join for any part of the weekend. Come relax in your favorite camp or lounge chair. Bring your water shoes to wade in the ocean water. Bring your frisbee or soccer ball. We'll cast candles in the sand, eat s'mores around the campfire, blow bubbles and worship outside together. This year whatever happens will be created by us all! Come for one hour, 6 hours, stay overnight; come just for Saturday (any time after 10 a.m.) or just for Sunday (Sunday worship is at 10 a.m. followed by a potluck brunch).



### **Details:**

Please register to help us plan food amounts!!! If you forget to register, just come along anyway.

<https://bit.ly/3GcvqFP>

- \* Need people who will make some batches or vats of food - (see registration form). **Everyone** brings snacks, drinks, and desserts for Saturday.
- \* Maybe you want to offer an activity - nature walk, meditation, special craft activity (contact Carney - [dre@uurockland.org](mailto:dre@uurockland.org))
- \* Sunday worship outside followed by **potluck** brunch.
- \* Stay in a cabin for \$20/person or set up a tent for \$10/person.
- \* **Everyone** donates some money toward food, so we can reimburse our cooks and UUR for food being provided.
- \* Camp rental for the weekend is provided out of the UUR church budget.

Remember to register (especially if you are staying overnight) to help us plan!

**MORE SUMMER FUN IN RE OPPORTUNITIES.** Click on [FUN!](#)

### From Our President

#### **WE'RE GETTING CLOSE, BUT OUR FELLOWSHIP STILL NEEDS YOUR HELP**

Last week we announced that we want to reestablish five "Pod" Teams. Each team will be asked to volunteer to arrive at Skidompha at 9:30 AM for one Sunday per month to set up for that week's service, and put things away afterward. The weekly Pod will also greet people as they arrive and provide refreshments for the Sunday they are on duty. Members within a given pod can decide how they want to share the duties. Two important goals of the Pod Teams are to let our hard-working worship team focus on worship, and to make our Sunday services feel warm and welcoming to all who come. It can also be fun and a great way to get to know each other better! We currently have 15 volunteers who have stepped up to offer their help. Thank you! We need at least five more volunteers, and ideally a few more than that. If you are willing to help or if you have questions, please talk to Zig Ziarnik or send us an email at [pods@uumidcoast.org](mailto:pods@uumidcoast.org).



## Membership Committee

### **New Member Celebration June 19!**

We will be welcoming eleven new (but not really!) members to our Fellowship during the Sunday service in our first official ceremony since 2019. I am putting together our second communal Responsive Reading for the occasion, and ask as many of you as possible to contribute a line. You can do it by completing this sentence: *Being part of our Fellowship means:* \_\_\_\_\_. Just email me your response by June 1: [jaynegor@gmail.com](mailto:jaynegor@gmail.com). Thanks in advance!

**Following the service, we will have a little hike and picnic to continue the fellowship.** We'll be walking from the library to my place in Damariscotta 10 minutes down the street, picnicking by the river, and then walking a nice loop nearby before returning to our cars. Total distance will be less than 2 miles. No need to bring anything except your own packed sandwiches to carry with you; I'll have drinks, desserts, and fruit waiting for you on my back deck. For those of you who can't walk, there will be limited parking by my condo.

More details to follow, but **SAVE THE DATE!**

From Jayne Gordon





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 \* **Looking for Help with Refreshments** \*  
 \* **for Kevin Kiley's Mom's Memorial Service** \*  
 \* The memorial service is at **10 am on Wed., June 15th, at St. Patrick's Church,** \*  
 \* **Newcastle.** When I offered our help with refreshments for the memorial service, \*  
 \* Kevin thought that would be very helpful and put me in touch with a woman at \*  
 \* St. Patrick's who also welcomed our assistance. We worked out a plan for the \*  
 \* Fellowship to provide cookies, brownies, bars and cut up (or small pieces of fruit), \*  
 \* Kevin will provide finger sandwiches, and St. Patrick's will do the set up, and \*  
 \* provide chips, coffee, tea, lemonade and all the paper goods. If you are willing to \*  
 \* provide any cookies, brownies, bars or fruit please let Sandy Barth know at \*  
 \* [sbarth1942@gmail.com](mailto:sbarth1942@gmail.com). Kevin is expecting around 75 attendees. Thanks to all \*  
 \* who are willing to help with this (and Kevin thanks you). \*  
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## **Welcoming Congregation Committee**

### **Help Us Celebrate Pride on June 18!**

June is Pride month, and the Pride Parade and Festival in Portland is back on this year. MUUF will once again be marching in the parade as part of MUUSAN. All are invited to join us on Saturday, June 18. The parade starts at Monument Square at 1 p.m., proceeds along Congress Street to Congress Square Park, and goes down High Street to Park Avenue, where it enters Deering Oaks Park. Details are still pending, but we will most likely meet at the First Parish UU Church on Congress Street around noon and then proceed to our assigned starting point. If you can offer a ride to Portland or would like to request a ride, please contact me and we will start coordinating. Join us for this joyful celebration!



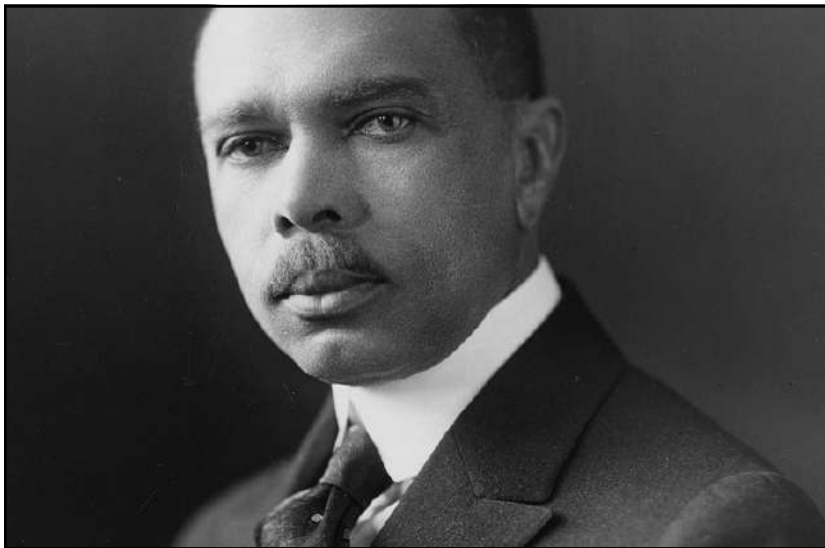
Kate Pennington, on behalf of the Welcoming Congregation Committee,

[mizkatepenn@gmail.com](mailto:mizkatepenn@gmail.com) or 207-607-2386.

## Social Justice

"Join Maine Humanities Council, Lincoln County Historical Association, The Permanent Commission on the Status of Racial, Indigenous & Maine Tribal Populations & The James Weldon Johnson Day Observance Task Force for a series of discussions grounded in two books by the civil rights activist, author & lawyer James Weldon Johnson who died in Wiscasset in 1938. **The series will lead us into James Weldon Johnson Commemorative Weekend on June 17.**

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*James Weldon Johnson*

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**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.

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