



## **Midcoast Unitarian Universalist Fellowship**

### **Worship Invitation June 5, 2022**



**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.

**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 Services

### **June 12: True Colors**

This service will celebrate LGBTQ+ Pride Month AND the flower communion UUs hold dear. Join us as we dedicate a new Pride flag and exchange flowers signifying the unity in diversity that is a hallmark of our faith. Please bring a flower for our communal bouquet. Led by Bettina Lehovec, Kate Pennington, and Penny Ziarnik.

### **June 19: New Members Ceremony and Father's Day**

MUUF hasn't held a New Members ceremony since 2019. Join us as we celebrate the 11 people who have joined us since then! We'll remind ourselves what covenant is all about. Mike Dearborn will share a reflection for Father's Day. Led by Bettina Lehovec, Jayne Gordon, and Penny Ziarnik.

## From Our President

### **SPECIAL MEETING ON SUNDAY, JUNE 12TH**

All members are requested to please attend a Special Meeting immediately following the service on Sunday, June 12th for the purpose of voting to adopt a revised set of bylaws. The official announcement emailed to all members and friends on June 2nd includes the supporting information. We need a good turnout, so please make plans to join us.



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### **VOLUNTEERS NEEDED**

Would you be willing to volunteer to help do one of the following?

- **Zoom:** We are looking for two volunteers who are willing to take turns operating our Sunday Zoom sessions (start and stop the recording; admit and greet people joining us remotely). No prior experience is needed, and training is available. Doing so will enable the Fellowship to continue to enable people to join us remotely for Sunday services via Zoom through the summer. Otherwise we may have to take a break from live Zoom broadcasting starting June 19th.
- **Bulk Supplies:** We are looking for one volunteer who is willing to keep an eye on our bulk supplies for Sunday morning refreshments and periodically re-stock them when they get low. Supplies include paper goods, trash bags, and perhaps some basics such as coffee and filters. Checking the current inventory can be done quickly after Sunday services and items can be re-stocked the following Sunday. The Fellowship will reimburse associated expenses.

- **Pod Volunteers:** 18 generous members and friends have already signed up to join one of the five "pods" (teams) that we are forming. Team members help set up and put away materials and staging for our Sunday services. We would still like another 4 or 5 volunteers. Would you please be one?

Please consider helping out and sharing in sustaining our loving and supportive community. If you are willing to help, or if you would like to learn more, please email Zig Ziarnik at [president@uumidcoast.org](mailto:president@uumidcoast.org) or talk to one of our weekly Worship Associates. Thank you!

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## It's Diaper Drive time again!!!

The tote will be on the porch at Damariscotta Dental for the month of June. The larger sized diapers and menstrual supplies are needed. Let's support the health of our local families!!!



## Welcoming Congregation Committee

### March with MUUF and MUUSAN in the June 18 Pride Portland Parade!

Each year MUUSAN pays the registration fee for the Pride Portland parade and invites all Maine UU congregations to bring their congregational banner and march as a group. All MUUF members and friends are invited to join us on Saturday, June 18. The parade starts at 1 p.m., and the Pride Festival in Deering Oaks Park runs until 5 p.m. To start the day there will be a 10 a.m. interfaith pride service at First Parish UU Church in Portland, 425 Congress Street. First Parish will also be open for us to use the bathrooms and rest.



### **Here is the schedule:**

**10 a.m.** Interfaith pride service at First Parish UU Church. Please wear masks inside the building.

**11:15 a.m.** UUs gather on the front steps of First Parish before moving to our spot in the parade.

**11:30 a.m.** Marchers begin lining up at an assigned location near Monument Square.

**1 p.m.** Pride Parade starts in Monument Square and ends about 45 minutes later in Deering Oaks Park, where the Pride Festival runs until 5 p.m.

Wear a yellow shirt if possible. We will have our MUUF banner and pride flags. Loving signs and rainbow flags are encouraged. Contact Kate Pennington if you can offer a ride or would like to request a ride ([mizkatepenn@gmail.com](mailto:mizkatepenn@gmail.com) or 207-607-2386).

### **Membership Committee**

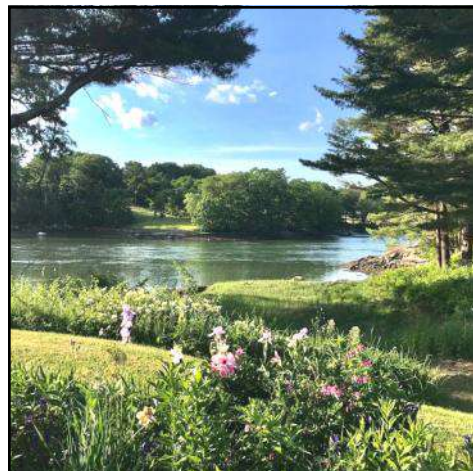
#### **New Member Celebration June 19!**

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:* \_\_\_\_\_. [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!**

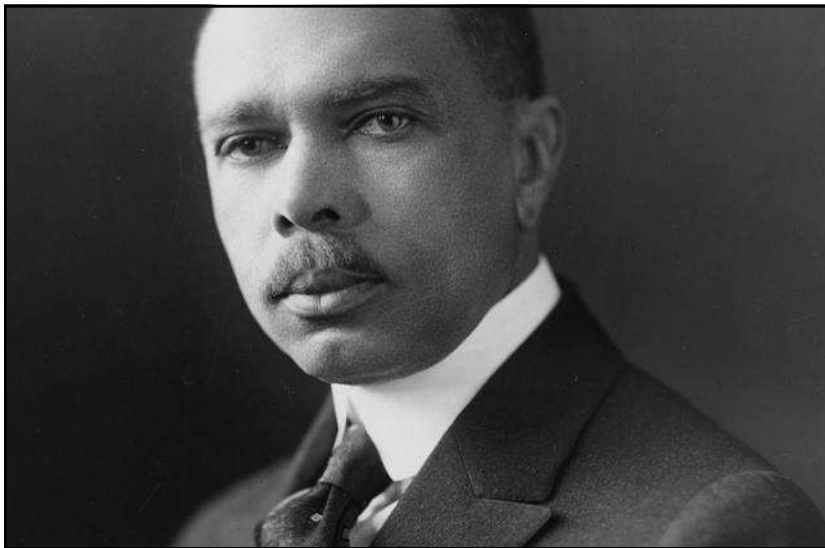
From Jayne Gordon



## 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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