



Midcoast Unitarian Universalist Fellowship

Worship Invitation January 8, 2023



Jan 8: Pilgrims in Search: Have We Been Here Before? Rev. Ann Bancroft

Our January theme offers us the challenges and paths of Finding Our Center. We welcome history as a starting place to consider what our future might hold, as a congregation and as a movement. The Rev. Anne Bancroft will be joined by retired Unitarian Universalist minister and historian, the Rev. Mark Harris. And, we hope you will join us following coffee-hour for the start of a four-part series on our Unitarian Universalist past.

Jan. 15: Rev. Ariel Aaronson-Eves

LIVE AT SKIDOMPHA LIBRARY AT 10:30 am

While we continue to recommend vaccination and the wearing of masks during Sunday services, we are no longer requiring them.

We will continue to operate our high capacity Blueair air purifiers in Porter Hall during services. You may also join us via Zoom.

10:30 am using the zoom link below:

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

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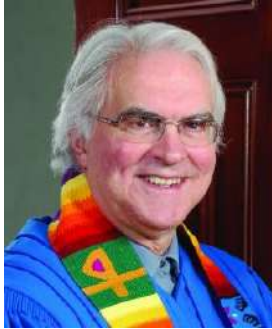
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UU HISTORY SERIES



What is the history of our denomination? How did the Unitarian and Universalist movements develop in both world and American contexts, and why did they come together? How does an understanding of our past help us to know how and why we got to our present stage, and where we might be headed?

Rev. Mark Harris, a retired UU minister, UU historian, and current resident of Owl's Head, will give the kickoff lecture for our exploration of these questions: **This Sunday, January 8** right after the worship service from **11:45-12:45**. We hope that as many of you as possible will be able to attend.

Following this launch, a reading/discussion group will meet on the first Sunday of the month after the service to further investigate themes and topics raised in the initial program. We will be using the *UUA Pocket Guide* and other reading materials suggested by Reverends Mark and Anne.

FEB 5 (also the snow date for the lecture if needed)

MARCH 5, APRIL 2, MAY 7

If you are interested in participating in the small group monthly gatherings, please contact facilitator Jayne Gordon: jaynegor@gmail.com.

Religious Exploration

Volunteers needed! If you have a mindfulness practice that you would like to share with our children and you can do this on a Wednesday night this month, please contact Carney McRae, re@uumidcoast.org or 975-9994.

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**January theme:
Finding Our
Center**

**Wednesdays 6-7:30 PM
Friends' Meeting House**

Lincoln Theater in Damariscotta
FREE showing of the film "Selma"
Sunday, Jan. 15 at 2:00 pm

FREE screening and talk-back in recognition of Martin Luther King Jr. Day. In 1965, an Alabama city became the battleground in the fight for suffrage. Despite violent opposition, Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. (David Oyelowo) and his followers pressed forward on an epic march from Selma to Montgomery. Playing Sun Jan 15 at 2 PM. This is a FREE event. No tickets or reservations are required.

Social Justice

Listed below are some opportunities in Lincoln County for us all to take part in to increase our understanding of racism- opportunities to discuss Martin Luther King's speeches, and a film at the Lincoln Theater on MLK day, January 16. There is also a facilitated book read of Caste by Isabel Wilkerson. Details below on the PUAR Facebook page.

People United Against Racism is now "publishing" a monthly calendar on the Facebook page: <https://www.facebook.com/profile.php?id=100068992066988>

You can follow PUAR now on Facebook if you'd like; a website will come in February.

You'll see many ways to honor Dr. King this month throughout Lincoln County. **One way we can learn from Dr. King this month is to really dig into just a few of his speeches or short writings, all available widely on the web.**

Leigh Anne Keichline will hold one of these discussions on MLK Day, Monday 1/16 at 5:30 over Zoom. The second will be the following Wednesday, 1/25 at 5:30 over Zoom.

You can join either or both, which are free and open to the public. There are no materials to purchase.

The goal is to gain insights to fuel us far beyond a single day or month, but throughout the year.

If you'd like to join either session or both sessions, please send Leigh Anne a separate email with "MLK discussions" in the subject line. When you register, she will send you information about the materials we'll be covering in each session, which you'll want to read or listen to in advance.



Anti-racism Vigil: The weekly Monday vigil's are from **12-12:30pm** at the Newcastle Veterans Memorial Park. Check [PUAR's](#) Facebook page for updates.

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