



Midcoast Unitarian Universalist Fellowship

Worship Invitation April 16, 2023



April 16: In for the Long Haul? Rev. Donna Dolham

What does it take to live our Unitarian Universalist faith in the “long haul”? Come join us this Sunday to find out!

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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Religious Exploration



**Please welcome our
new Sunday
morning
childcare provider
Christy Perce**

Christy Perce has been hired to provide childcare on Sunday mornings starting this Sunday, April 16. We want to provide a safe and nurturing place for active young children to be, so their parents and caregivers also can enjoy the service. Please welcome Christy on Sundays and spread the word that we have childcare for families.

Hi, my name is Christy and I have lived in the Damariscotta/Newcastle Region for the past 22 years. I raised my three older children in this community. In my free time, I like to kayak, ski, hike, go thrift shopping and spend time with family and friends. In past community ventures, I had a natural baby store in Damariscotta for seven years. During that time, I helped support children's community activities, such as Healthy Kids, La Leche League, Skidompha Library and Miles Women's Center. I currently work as a Safety Specialist for construction. I look forward to meeting you all and helping care for your little ones!



July 31 - August 4
9 AM-3PM

**Midcoast Unitarian Universalist
Fellowship in Damariscotta**

Summer Day Camp for children ages 6-12

Dancing Jaguar Spirit Camp

July 31 – August 4, ages 6-12, 9 AM to 3 PM at the Friends Meeting House in Damariscotta.

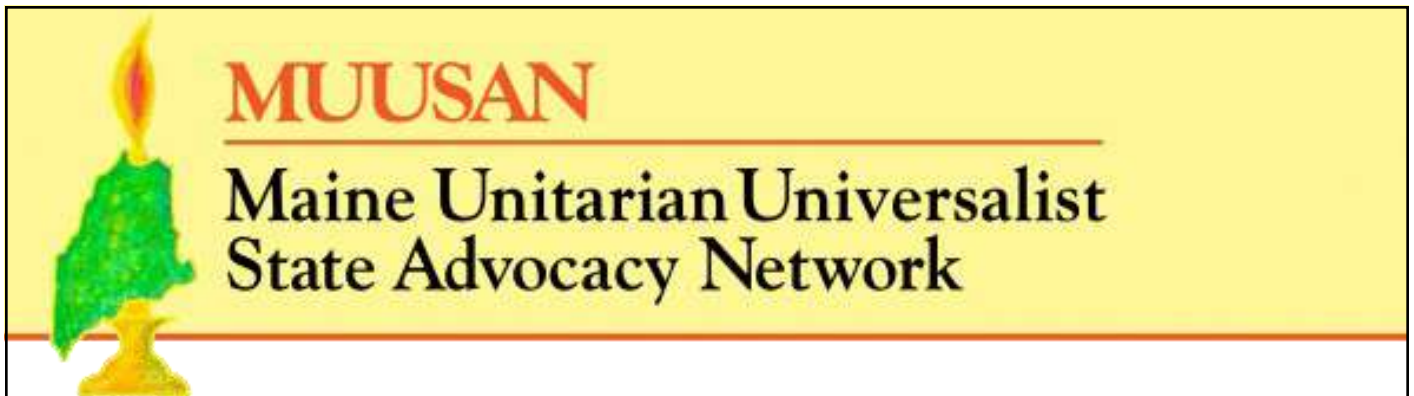
Carney McRae, Director of Religious Exploration at Midcoast Unitarian Universalist Fellowship, is a certified leader for [Dancing Jaguar's Spirit Camp](#). This non-competitive day camp teaches children ancient and modern techniques to develop resilience, self-compassion, and empathy. During the 5-day program, children learn to explore their rich inner world through a curriculum that includes mindfulness, gratitude, chakras, affirmations, shamanic journeying, and more, all taught through games and craft activities.

Camp tuition is \$175 if you [register before June 5th](#) (afterwards cost is \$275) and it runs each day from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Some scholarships are available upon request.

To register go to: <https://bit.ly/3XRKp6J>. Remember to register before June 5th for the early bird discount. Questions: re@uumidcoast.org.

HELP SPREAD THE WORD!

Social Justice



Using our Voice for Maine Farmworker Justice

The long arm of slavery and racism continues to oppress people of color and undocumented folks working in the fields, dairies and orchards of Maine. Even though it is hard to believe, Maine farmworkers are not covered by State wage and hour laws, nor do they have the right to bargain collectively and form unions. The Speaker has two bills to redress this injustice ([LD 525](#) and [LD 398](#)) that will be heard in the Labor and Housing committee on **Tuesday afternoon, April 18th**, and we UUs have been asked by our allies for our help.

Would you be willing to testify in support of these farmworker rights either in person, Zoom or through written testimony (that you can submit at any time before the 17th)? If you haven't testified before (or need a reminder of how to plan and do it), you can go to [MUUSAN Tips and Tools for Legislative Advocacy](#) > [Testifying before Legislative Committees](#) > [How to Submit Testimony](#) or [Guide for Giving Testimony](#). We've attached a template [here](#) you can copy and paste to write up the testimony for either or both bills (it already includes the names of the chairs, etc). [Here](#) are additional talking points that could be helpful. Your testimony for either or both bills needs to be submitted the day before (Monday, April 17th at 1pm). Please contact Reba at admin@muusan.org with any questions and thank you!

End Foreign Government Influence in Maine Elections

The Protect Maine Elections bill ([LD 1610](#)) to end foreign-government interference and dark money influence in Maine elections has been printed and could see a public hearing as soon as next week!

Over the past 18 months, hundreds of volunteers and thousands of Maine voters have taken action to call for an end to the unlimited and unchecked money that dominates our elections. Thanks to your hard work, we now have an opportunity to enact this reform through the Maine legislature.

Click [here](#) to register to testify in support of Protect Maine Elections and call on your legislators to pass this bill immediately!

Please let us know if we can count on you to join this final push. The League of Women Voters of Maine and MUUSAN will provide the [resources](#), the training, and the support to guide you every step of the way - but the voice must be yours!

If you do either of these actions or any others, please remember to click this [button](#) and let us know! We want to record every UU action taken for social justice this legislative session!

People United Against Racism



The regular Monday Vigils in Veterans Memorial Park in Newcastle have been paused. We are transitioning to Vigils on an “as needed” basis, in response to unfolding events.

Community members can suggest a vigil by emailing peopleuar@gmail.com, and we'll send out the call via the PUAR email list and our Facebook page. Any vigils called through PUAR will be at 5 pm (as the weather warms up) and on Mondays, unless otherwise indicated.

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news@uumidcoast.org