



Midcoast Unitarian Universalist Fellowship

Worship Invitation April 30, 2023



April 30: Resisting the Stereotype of Getting Old - Lay-led leader Jennifer Ober
A service for all those who are in the second half of life, those who aspire to move from age-ing to sage-ing. We will take our journey of aging and awakening together. The service will include special music played by Autumn Vencile and Jennifer.

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>

Meeting ID: 932 8681 3206

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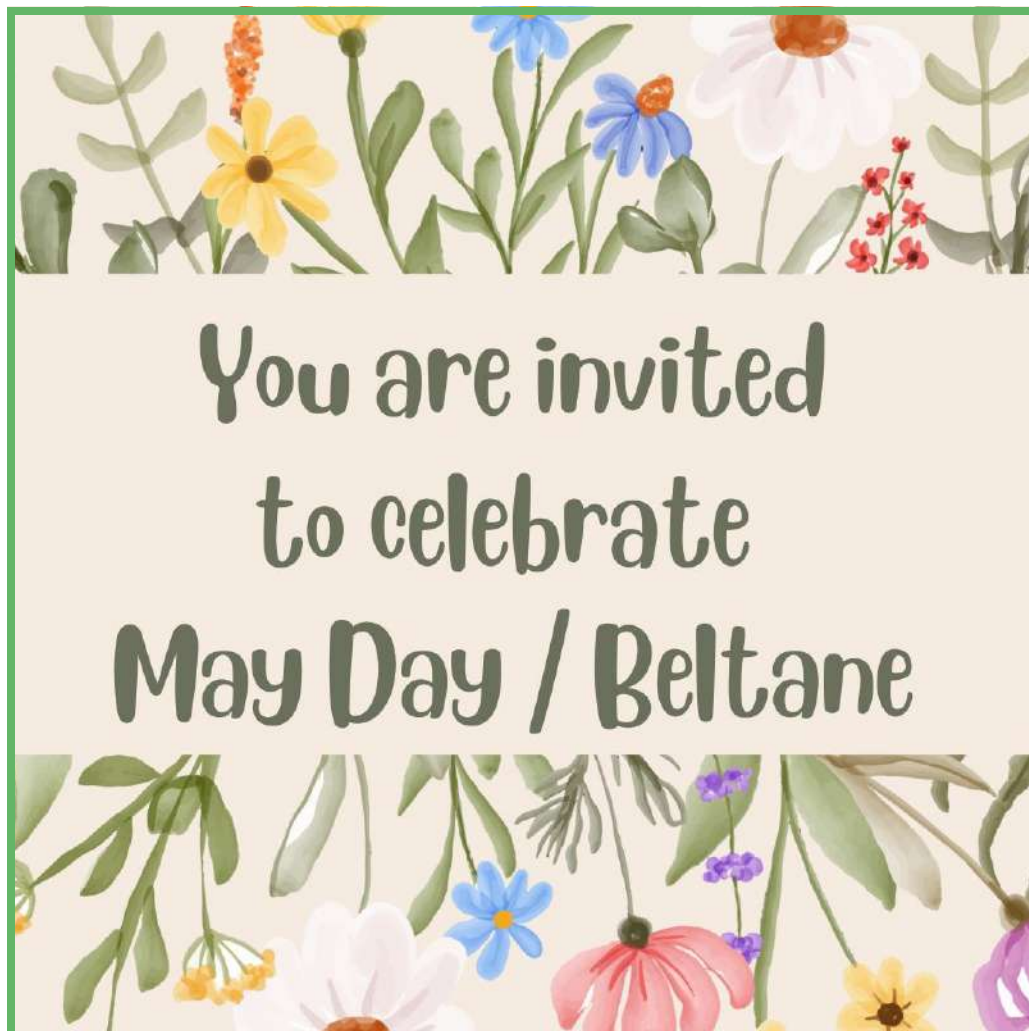
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Religious Exploration

Come join the YoUUth Explorers next Wednesday, May 3, 6-7:30 PM at the Friends Meeting House, as we celebrate the next cross quarter festival in the Wheel of the Year - May Day or Beltane.

We will gather in ritual, learn a bit about the history of Beltane, and then create paper woven May Day baskets and make a needle felted or paper flower to adorn the basket. Our hope is that people will bring home their baskets, fill them with flowers and then deliver them to someone in May Day fashion - ringing the doorbell, leaving the basket and hiding.

Please RSVP to Carney at re@uumidcoast.org. We want to be sure to have enough supplies.



Social Justice



MUUSAN

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State Advocacy Network

Maine's Housing Crisis: Where we go from here

[Register today](#) for MUUSAN's
In-Person Network Meeting
May 6th

10am-12:30pm at UU Brunswick
1 Middle Street, Brunswick, 04011



Featuring:

- State Senator **Teresa Pierce**, Co-chair of the Joint Select Housing Committee, speaking on the housing work of this committee
- **Cate Blackford**, Public Policy Director at Maine People's Alliance, speaking on the priorities of Housing Justice Maine
- **Andrea Steward**, Policy Advocate at Maine Equal Justice, speaking on the HOME ACT
- A representative from **Preble Street**, speaking on the Housing First concept and LD2

The meeting will also include breakout groups with the speakers, updates on MUUSAN Housing priorities, what congregations can do, coffee and snacks!

All Mainers - no matter where we come from - need affordable health care.

However, many Mainers are unjustly excluded from MaineCare due to their immigration status and must choose between their health and other basic needs like food and shelter. **LD 199 will make sure that our friends, family, and neighbors who are immigrants can visit the doctor or fill a prescription when they're sick.**

All Means All: MaineCare should cover everyone with low income - no exceptions, no exclusions. Contact your legislators today to tell them you support LD 199!

- MUUSAN [Talking Points](#)
- MUUSAN [Sample Letter](#) (save a copy of the template to make your own!)

Tips and Tools for Legislative Advocacy

Getting started!
(short videos)

Understanding the legislative process and schedule

Testifying before legislative committees

Letter writing, calls and Letters to the Editor

Navigating the Maine Legislature website

Faith in Advocacy

MUUSAN Legislative Agenda and watchlist

People United Against Racism Update



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.

People United has partnered with Leigh Anne Keichline, who has been running the anti-racism book groups through Skidompha and created a monthly PUAR calendar to help publicize local antiracism events. Folks should sign up for emails, and to receive the calendar every month, if you haven't already. peopleuar@gmail.com

People United is planning an open meeting to gather community engagement and ideas in Mid-May. Date TBA.

Please email all newsletter articles and website information to:
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