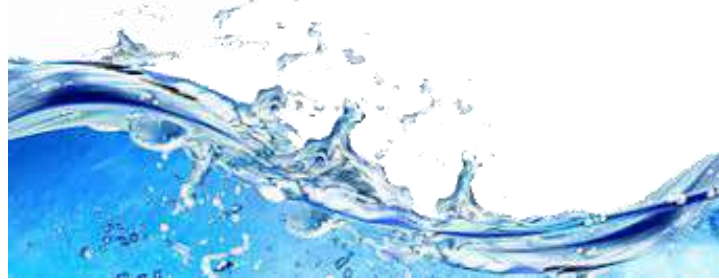




Midcoast Unitarian Universalist Fellowship

Worship Invitation September 10, 2023



Sept. 10: WELL-COME HOME Rev. Anne Bancroft

Though we have met through the summer, this Sunday marks a new beginning – a new “church” year to celebrate together. Bring your waters, from wherever they arrive to you, and join us to begin again.

Sept. 17: Belonging Rev. Christina Sillari

What does it mean to belong to our family, our community, our own self? How does belonging nourish our beings? Come and explore the notion of belonging and how we cultivate it in our lives.

"My hunger to belong was not merely a desire to be attached to something. It was rather sensing that great transformation and discovery become possible when belonging is sheltered and true." ~John O'Donnahue

LIVE AT SKIDOMPHA LIBRARY AT 10:30AM

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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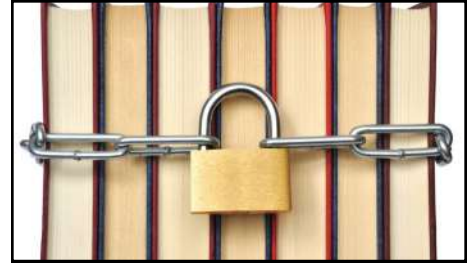
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Religious Exploration

Please join First Universalist Church in Rockland for this social justice virtual journey.

Banned and Challenged Books: Intellectual Freedom and the Right to Read



What is the difference between a banned book and a challenged book? What happens when a book is banned? Who has the authority to ban a book? Let's take a deep dive into the topic and read a currently or historically banned book each month.

We will start with an introduction to intellectual freedom and banned books on **Wednesday, September 20**. We will read *Gender Queer* in October. For a list of books we plan to read through January 2024, [click here](#) or contact [Morgan Dunton](#).

We will meet virtually on the third Wednesday of each month for 90 minutes at 7pm. [Please register](#) so we can remind you of upcoming sessions and send you the link to our virtual meeting.

Bright blessings,
Carney McRae

Weekly Quote

“What I tell kids, Don’t get mad, get even. Don’t spend time waving signs or carrying petitions around the neighborhood. Instead, run, don’t walk, to the nearest nonschool library or to the local bookstore and get whatever it was that they banned. Read whatever they’re trying to keep out of your eyes and your brain, because that’s exactly what you need to know.”

—Stephen King

For almost 2,000 years, people have been banning books in one way or another—the history of book burning goes at least as far back as 213 BC. And while we’ve come quite a long way from those times, people still continue to ban books today.

Membership Committee



I am happy to report that Pat Kay has agreed to be the new Membership Committee Chair. [I have recently become President of Coastal Senior College, so I have my hands full right now.] I will continue to work with Pat on this MUUF committee, but we need more members. Could you be one?

Pat Kay

The committee will continue to work on attracting, welcoming/ orienting, and retaining members. Immediate plans call for re-starting the small-group suppers in member homes, and adding a new covenant circle. We also will work with our ministers to initiate and implement more adult RE programs, and a regular calendar of mixed-age gatherings.

And now we are in Pat's capable hands! Please contact her if you are interested in joining us to better serve our members: porskay@earthlink.net.

Jayne Gordon

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 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