



## **Midcoast Unitarian Universalist Fellowship**

### **Worship Invitation December 3, 2023**



#### **Dec. 3: Reflections on Spirituality      Lay-led by Pattie Anderson**

Five Fellowship Members and Friends will offer personal responses to what spirituality means to them. Two additional Members will also participate. Please join us in Porter Hall or via Zoom.

#### **Dec. 10: The Myriad Colors of the Season      Rev. Anne Bancroft**

December in New England is awash in this month's theme: the gift of mystery. We tuck ourselves into early darkness and wonder how the season will evolve. (Snow? Or no snow?) The holiday reminders find us reveling in joy or avoiding them altogether (or somewhere in between?) There are myriad colors in this season, despite the earth's turning to grays and browns. Let's make room for them together this Sunday, and then stay for the annual meeting to follow our service.

#### **LIVE AT SKIDOMPHA LIBRARY AT 10:30AM**

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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### **Celebrate the Winter Solstice on December 17th**

Midcoast Unitarian Universalist Fellowship and First Universalist Church in Rockland are co-leading a special Winter Solstice Service for Sunday, December 17, 10:30 AM both virtually and in-person at Wanderwood in Nobleboro.

#### **Details:**

If you wish to attend in-person you [MUST register](#) and be willing to carpool. There are parking spots 3-8 minutes from our venue. There is a limit of 20 cars and 60 people on site. The site is completely accessible, and the barn is heated. It is a beautiful venue to celebrate the solstice, and we will have a potluck following worship (bring your own place setting).

And for those of you who would rather relax in the comfort of your home, you can also join us virtually.

Contact Carney McRae, Director of Religious Exploration at [dre@uurockland.org](mailto:dre@uurockland.org) if you have questions.

Remember there are two ways to participate in this worship service:

- Attend in person at Wanderwood - [Register here by December 12th](#)
- Attend from your home - a link will be sent via e-news the week before.

*Note: If it looks like driving will be unsafe on Sunday morning, we will move to the Zoom platform for everyone. That decision will be made by Saturday afternoon.*



## Youth Explorers



This past Wednesday, youth wrapped up their exploration of Generosity, this month's Soul Matters' theme. One activity they did was to create zines – these are booklets where they share what matters to them or what is on their mind. They can be silly or serious; they can be saved or passed along to others. They are easy to create. Here is a video link on how to make a simple zine ~ a great activity to do with some friends. [How to Make a Zine](#)

## 2023 Annual Meeting

Dear Members and Friends of the Midcoast Unitarian Universalist Fellowship,

**We will be holding our Fellowship's 2023 Annual Meeting immediately following the service on Sunday, December 10, 2023** in Porter Hall of the Skidompha Library and via Zoom. (The Zoom link will be the same one as used for the immediately preceding service.) The start time of the Annual Meeting will be approximately 11:30 AM. Please mark your calendars!



Everyone is welcome to attend and participate in any discussions, however only active members will be able to vote. We'd love to have a great turnout.

The Annual Meeting agenda includes:

- Nominations for the 2024 Board of Trustees and 2024 Nominating Committee
- The proposed Budget for 2024
- Approval of minutes from the 2022 Annual Meeting
- Reports from our Board, our Minister, and our various committees.

This is an important event in the annual life of our Fellowship and of our self-governance. Please make every effort to join us.

Your 2023 Board of Trustees

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### **Circle Suppers are starting!**



There are two places left at the first Circle Supper in many years. The supper is going to be held at Ann Miller's house in Damariscotta. The sign-up sheet is out in the lobby near the refreshments.

Anyone who would like to host a dinner for eight in January please send me an email. We intend to have Circle Suppers into the early Spring. You can contact me at [ppskay@earthlink.net](mailto:ppskay@earthlink.net).

Pat Kay, Membership Chair

# Our 2024 MUUF Community Challenge

## Seek. Create. Share.

Three words have jumped out to define our path forward. We are those who seek, we aspire to create, and then to share all that we are and have with each other, and with the world around us.

As we enter this year's Stewardship season, we hope you will support our Fellowship as generously as possible, so that our common dreams can take shape. We long for a half-time and local minister to call our own. We long for a place to gather on Sundays, and other days, as well! We long to be a spiritual home that is inclusive and transformative. What we dream is ours to do, so together, let's do it!

### You can make a pledge for 2024 by:

- Clicking on the donate button on the home page of our website [uumidcoast.org](http://uumidcoast.org)
- Clipping the pledge form below and putting in the collection basket during Sunday's service
- Mailing the pledge form to us at P.O. Box 1021, Damariscotta, ME 04543

### 2024 Pledge Form

Name, First and Last \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Your Email \_\_\_\_\_

For 2024 I/we pledge to pay a total of \$ \_\_\_\_\_

## 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](mailto: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 12 noon 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](mailto:peopleuar@gmail.com)

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