

# **Midcoast Unitarian Universalist Fellowship**

## **Worship Invitation February 11, 2024**



### **February 11: Love Is a Weary Noun and Other Thoughts on Justice and Breathing** - Rev. Anne Bancroft

Our February theme explores the Gifts of Justice and Equity, values we strive to practice and uphold, grounded in our interdependence and love for each other and the world we share. But sometimes, we're just tired. Vocalist, James Dargan, wrote a song called, "Love is a Weary Noun." When that feels especially true, what then?

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

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

4:00 pm using the zoom link below:

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

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## Dear Midcoast Friends,



Rev. Anne Bancroft

I loved being with you (from a distance) for last week's service and am looking forward to seeing you IN PERSON this week, February 11<sup>th</sup>, for the service AND for some conversation afterwards. We'll offer an update on the Vision process and how helpful all the thoughts and dreams that were shared last summer have been in planning forward; and, you'll get to hear from your new Board President, David Bilski, about the 2024-25 ministry efforts, among other things.

I hope you'll be able to stick around for a bit! We want to make sure your questions and curiosities get answered.

See you Soon.

Rev. Anne

## Share the Plate

The Share the Plate recipient this month is the Ecumenical Food Pantry (EFP). The EFP helps community members of Damariscotta and Newcastle, as well as Nobleboro and surrounding communities by providing needed food.

Maine has the second highest rate of food insecurity in New England, and 35th in the nation and our local food pantry in 2023 helped secure food for 665 of our neighbors. EFP operates out of the Congregational Church in Newcastle, and is assisted by the sponsorship of surrounding congregations, including us. We have sponsored this organization for 15 years, committing to providing volunteers and resources as well as serving on the EFP's board. At present, Diane Morrison of our Fellowship is serving on the board and volunteers as well.



Our donations go toward purchasing staples, like eggs, cheese, milk, and meat at a reduced cost—every dollar donated is turned into two dollars of food. You can learn more about this organization by going to our website, and clicking on Social Justice. This will take you to Share the Plate with a link to recipients' websites.

## **Membership Committee - Circle Suppers**

There are only two more opportunities to host Circle Suppers this Winter: March and April. You can choose the day and time. We have had Saturday mid-day and Friday evenings. They have all been fun and enlightening. You decide on a main dish and your friends bring the rest. Let me know when you want to be the host in March or April. Pat Kay,

[ppskay@earthlink.net](mailto:ppskay@earthlink.net) or 207-677-2141



**Circle Supper at Carol Delaney's  
February 3, 2024  
Good Company and Good Food**

**Thank you Carol!**

## **Notice Anything Different?**



Check out our new choir stoles! Many thanks to Rosie Davis, Michael Mason, and Jennifer Ober for their generosity.

## People United Against Racism

People United Against Racism will be holding in-person (and Zoom) meetings throughout 2024.

*Our first 2024 People United Against Racism meeting:*

**Monday February 26 at 5:30 pm**

**Friends Meetinghouse  
77 Belvedere Rd. Damariscotta  
*Light snacks provided***

Whether you can join meetings occasionally or with more regularity,  
**we welcome your voice and your contributions.**

**If you can't make this one but truly want to make future PUAR meetings....**  
please let us know days/times that work for you in March. If Zoom is better for you, we'd love to know that, too. We hope to have more in-person and Zoom options throughout the spring, and want to include folks who are truly interested.

RSVP to [peopleuar@gmail.com](mailto:peopleuar@gmail.com) so we can have a rough headcount -- but joining on the 26th without RSVPing is okay too! We had a good turnout in April, and hope to see both familiar and new faces. You're welcome to bring along friends and family as well.

A range of skills, styles, contributions, voices, and ideas are vital in the sustainability of this work -- so come as you are and bring what you can!



## **It's Diaper Drive time again!!!**



During the month of February, we will again be supporting local families by donating diapers and menstrual supplies to the diaper bank! Diapers and menstrual supplies are expensive, and not every family can afford these necessities. Let's show our support for our neighbors by helping to ease this worry. The tote is on the porch at Damariscotta Dental to put your donations in. Thank you!

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