Midcoast Unitarian Universalist Fellowship

"Walking, Working, Waking: What Was Thoreau Seeking" Sunday July 25, 2021



July 25: via ZOOM

The service (back on Zoom) for July 25 at 10:30 am is based on the life and words of Henry Thoreau: WALKING, WORKING, WAKING: WHAT WAS THOREAU SEEKING? MUUF Worship Associate Jayne Gordon (and Thoreau!) wrote this service, and she will be joined by readers Patti Anderson, Susan Borg, Liam (Bill) Child, Melissa Dearborn, Mary Finn, and Geoff Tilden. Our ultimate question: What are WE seeking?

Join Zoom Meeting

https://zoom.us/j/96686220659 Meeting ID: 966 8622 0659

Telephone: Dial by your location +1 929 205 6099 US (New York)

Upcoming Services

Aug. 01: "Recognizing The Importance of Transitions" ~ Rev. Charles Stephens. As our planned live service under the tent at the Damariscotta YMCA got rained out on July 18, we now hope to have this service take place on Sunday, August 1, August 1, same time, same place. An announcement will be coming as soon as rescheduling details have been worked out. Stay tuned!

Aug. 15: Live under the YMCA tent with Rev. Charles Stephens!

MINI-NEWSLETTER

Welcoming Congregation Committee

Pronoun Buttons, by Kate Pennington

On August 1, at our first in-person service since the pandemic started, the Welcoming Congregation Committee will supply small buttons identifying your pronouns, and we hope you will all choose to wear one.

Here's why we think pronouns are important. Nowadays an increasing number of people do not wish to be labeled using gender-specific pronouns (he/him or she/her). People who are gender-nonconforming or genderqueer may not describe themselves using conventional male/female gender distinctions and may identify with neither, both, or a combination of male and female genders. They may use what are called non-binary, gender-neutral, or gender-inclusive pronouns. Sometimes this means using the pronouns they/them/their/theirs to refer to a single person, and sometimes it means using different gender-neutral terms that have been invented in recent years, such as zie/hir/hirs or fae/faer/faers.

You are welcome to wear your pronouns button home after the service and keep it for your ongoing personal use, not just for our worship gatherings, in a show of solidarity as well as awareness and conversation starters.

Please note: We have buttons that specify he/him/his, she/her/hers, and they/them/theirs. If you use a different non-binary pronoun, please email me by early that Sunday morning with your request, and I will custom make a button for you! (mizkatepenn@gmail.com)

Membership Committee

The Membership Committee is hoping you will stay after the **in-person Worship Service at the Damariscotta CLC YMCA August 1** for our first real social get-together in 16 months. Bring lunch for you and your family. If convenient,

you could bring some snacks to share with lunch. Later you can cross the street to Round Top Dairy for an ice-cream treat. It should be an informal but fun time for all of us to catch up after a much too long period.

Our Facebook page needs you!

Head over to the Midcoast Unitarian Universalist Fellowship page on Facebook and like us. This helps to boost our visibility, and we're always eager to reach more folks. Thank you! Questions? <u>Contact Penny Ziarnik</u>.

Stewardship

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Pastoral Care

A reminder that during this time without a minister, members of the fellowship in need of pastoral care can contact the co-chairs of the Care Committee, Sandy Barth (207-563-5565) or Joan Whitmire (207-350-6954). Either of them can establish contact with Rev. Charles Stephens.

Social Justice

Anti-racism Vigil: Every Monday 5:00-5:30 pm at the Newcastle Veterans Memorial Park until further notice. Check <u>PUAR's Facebook page</u> for updates.

