**Unitarian Universalist Community Church**

**Worship Service - Sunday, April 30, 2017**

**Services 9:15 & 11 a.m.**, “White Supremacy Teach In”\*\* Rev. Carie Johnsen

**Coming of Age**, 10:30 to Noon, Drew House

**Goddess/Earth Circles**, 12:15 pm., Fellowship Hall

**Student Piano Recital**, 1-4pm, FH and Sanctuary

**Equality Maine**, 3:00 p.m., Robbins Room

**Peace Jam**, 3-5pm, Drew House

\*\*Today we will join over 600 UU congregations that have answered the call from Black Lives UU (BLUU) to participate in a White Supremacy Teach In. Let us be a part of building a more just and equitable world one mistake at a time, one step at a time, one action at a time, one conversation at a time, one success at a time.

TODAY- Goddess/Earth Circles, 12:15 pm.

**\*\*\*\*** NOTE LOCATION CHANGE **\*\*\*\***

Join Goddess/Earth Circles today **in the Drew House**. The theme of Environment and Spirituality features Gaia as Mother Earth and Spider Woman as a creator. This will open the opportunity for personal meditation and reflections on our Earth Spirituality for the upcoming month. The session will be led by Mary Perkins and Darlene Bassett.

***Notices***

Items from the Lost and Found bin in the coatroom have been placed on a table in the back hallway of the church. Please check if any of these items are YOURS! Items not claimed will be placed in the church yard sale in June. Thank you!

***Meet your legislators!***

The UUCC will be hosting an in-district meeting with Senator Roger Katz (SD 15) and Representative Matt Pouliot (HD 86) on May 8th from 6:00-7:30 pm at the Lithgow Library Community Meeting Room, 45 Winthrop Street, Augusta.

Topics will include the budget, Rep. Berry’s bill to promote solar energy (LD 1373), and a bill to expand health care to low income Mainers (LD 226). Bring your concerns!

**FAITH in ACTION**

1. Come to a huge **Climate Rally** from 10:00am-1:00pm on April 29th outside the State House!

2. **Support Solar!** On May 4 at 12:00 there will be a rally in support of Rep. Seth Barry’s Solar Bill (LD 1373) outside the State House followed by a legislative hearing. Bring a sign and your yellow t-shirts! FMI: Contact Melanie Lanctot (mlanctot@roadrunner.com)

**A Special Invitation for**

**visitors and newcomers**

Join us for our Newcomer Dinner on Friday May 5, 2017, 5:30 p.m. – 7:30 p.m. A light evening meal will be served. Childcare will be available.

Our visitor and newcomer dinner is a great way to get to know more about congregational life. The evening offers a light evening meal shared with both new and longstanding members and friends within the church community. This is also a great opportunity to share a meal with our minister, Rev. Carie Johnsen.

To attend the newcomer dinner please R.S.V.P. by calling the office at 622-3232 or sending an email to admin@augustauu.org. Be sure to tell us how many adults and children will attend and if you will need childcare.

***This Week at UUCC*** *…*

**Monday, May 1, 2017**

 Private Piano Lessons, 2:30-6:00 p.m., Sanct

 Private Rental, 5:45 – 8:15 p.m., Fellowship Hall

 In-Kind: West Side Neighbors Assoc 6 pm DH-OR

 SGM Ellis McKeen (D. Maddi), 6:00 p.m., CR SGM (T. Cairn), 6:00 p.m., DH (Parlor)

 Peaceful Heart Sangha, 6:30 p.m., Sanctuary

**Tuesday, May 2, 2017**

 Al-ANON, Noon, Robbins Room

 ~~Finance Committee Meeting~~, <chg’d to 5/3/17>

**Wednesday, May 3, 2017**

 Communications Comm Mtg, 12:30 p.m., CR

 Finance Committee Meeting, 5:00 p.m., RR

 Gentle Yoga, 5:00 p.m., Fellowship Hall

 NAMI-Connection Recovery Support Group, 5:15 – 6:45 p.m., Drew House (Parlor)

 Extra Choir Time, 5:30 p.m., Sanctuary

 Choir Rehearsal, 6:00 p.m., Sanctuary

 Rental-Just Guys, 6:30 p.m., Fellowship Hall

 SGM (P. Lamb), 6:30 p.m., Robbins Room

**Thursday, May 4, 2017**

 SGM (Zidowecki), 10:00 a.m., Robbins Room

 History Committee Mtg, 1:00 p.m., (DH-OR)

 Wisdom Weavers, 5:30 p.m., Fellowship Hall

**Friday, May 5, 2017**

 Nonviolent Comm, 10:50 a.m., Robbins Room

 Setup – Newcomer/New Member Dinner,

 4:30-5:30 p.m., Fellowship Hall

 Newcomer Dinner, 5:30 p.m., Fellowship Hall <see notice above>

**Saturday, May 6, 2017**

 UUCCOO Rehearsal, 8:30 a.m., Sanctuary

 Private Piano Lessons, 1:45-6 p.m., Sanctuary

**Sunday, May 7, 2017**

 Services 9:15 & 11 a.m., Peace Jam Youth

 **Adult R.E. Class–Our Journey’s End**, 12:30 pm FH

 RE Committee Meeting, 12:45 p.m., DH (Parlor)

 Equality Maine, 3:00 p.m., Robbins Room

 **UUCC Spring Community Concert**, 4-6 p.m., FH/S

**NEXT SUNDAY – May 7th**

**Our Journey’s End Session**, 12:30 PM to 2:30 PM:

FINAL CHOICES: **Compassionate Choices and Hospice Care**

While modern medicine has been enormously beneficial in many ways, it has also introduced what seems like a bewildering array of possibilities when close to death, adding to our normal fears at this time of life. Even with an advance directive in place, last minute changes of mind can happen. Such choices should be very individual. The goal of this session is to compassionately explore our options for easing this passage.

Three distinguished speakers will facilitate our exploration: the Rev David Gant, Manager of Spiritual Care and Social Work for MaineGeneral Home Care and Hospice, Val Lovelace, holistic practitioner and longtime Maine leader in claiming our own deaths, and Maine Senator Roger Katz, who is the Sponsor of the Death with Dignity Bill, LD 347, currently being considered in the legislature. Diane Moongrove will moderate.

**\*SPRING COMMUNITY CONCERT 2017\*, 4pm**

FEATURING THE UUCC CHOIR AND ORCHESTRA

Join us for our Annual Spring Community Concert and enjoy a wonderful program featuring music from around the world and spanning 500 years! Music by J.S. Bach, Solomone Rossi, Frank Ticheli, Billy Joel, Ysaye Barnwell, and many others; will be performed by our wonderful UUCC musicians. This event is a 100% fundraiser for the UUCC by a free will offering at intermission. A light reception will follow

***Upcoming Events***

**Thurs. May 11th and Tues. June 6th**,

**What is Whiteness? Workshops**

Grounding anti-racism, anti-oppression, multicultural ministries includes understanding ne’s own race story. This work is both liberating and necessary. Whether we engage the Black Lives Matter Movement or ally work with Maine-Wabanaki R.E.A.C.H or welcoming new Mainers or simply desire to be part of the change, the task of unpacking white experience and understanding our role in dominant culture is where the waking up process begins. Knowing the story we are living out of and how our experiences shape our perspectives is essential in the work of dismantling racism and white supremacy.

This two-hour (6:00-8:00 p.m.) workshop is geared towards white people, participants of all races and ethnicities are welcome. **Register early – class participation is limited.** Please call 622-3232 or sending an email to admin@augustauu.org

**Recommended reading:  Waking Up White, and Finding Myself in the Story of Racism, by Debbie Irving**

**Wed, May 10th**, **Seasoned Souls**, 10:30 a.m., FH

Seasoned Souls is a group of older church members (over 65 years of age) who wishes to talk openly about topics related to the aging process. We meet every 2nd and 4th Wednesday in Fellowship Hall. FMI: please contact Diane 446-6162 or dmoongrove@gmail.com or Stef at 623-2824 or stefbarley@gmail.com

**Thurs. May 11**, **Books for Serious Readers**, 12:30 pm, Join us in Fellowship Hall as we explore The Mandibles: a family 2029-2047 by Lionel Shriver, a near-future novel that explores the aftershocks of an economically devastating U.S. sovereign debt default on four generations of a once-prosperous American family. All are welcome to attend whether you have joined us before or not. FMI: Kathy Kellison 445-4415 or kell6787@gmail.com or June Zellers 582-5248 or jzellers@roadrunner.com

**Sun. May 14th**, **Elder Lunch**, after 2nd Service

Join us in the Fellowship Hall at Noon for our monthly Elder lunch. The luncheons a wonderful opportunity for members and friends of the congregation to sit together and enjoy conversation over a light meal served restaurant style. Menu always includes breads, salad, entree and dessert. Elder lunch is not exclusive to Senior Citizens – we have regular attendees in their 40s and 50s too so please self-select and join us.

**YARD SALE - Changed to June 17th**

***UUCC Office Hours***

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Monday ----------------------------------<No office hours>

Tues., Wed. AND Thurs.--------------9:00 am to 4:00 pm

Friday -------------------------------------< No office hours >

**Rev. Carie’s Office Hours:**

Monday No office Hours (Writing Day)

Tuesday 3:00 pm – 6:00 pm

Wednesday 2:00 pm – 6:00 pm

Friday No Office Hours (Sabbath day)

 <other hours available by appointment>

**Pastoral Care** concerns: contact Rev. Carie Johnsen at 623-3663 or (508)221-5295 or email revcariejohnsen@gmail.com

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