

LIGHTING THE WAY FORWARD

First Parish News

You can't stay in your corner of the Forest waiting for others to come to you. You have to go to them sometimes.

A.A. Milne, Winnie the Pooh

Sunday services for August in person & online, 9:30 a.m.

August 7: Mark Gallup, The Church of Nature

August 14: Paul Beach, Your Myth, My Myth

August 21: Rev. Lara Campbell, Are We in the Good Place?

August 28: Jay Pacitti, More than Love

Nursery care available

Come in person or click to join the service! https://uukennebunk.org/Sunday-Service-Access Or by cell phone (audio only) 929-205-6099, meeting ID 734 887 010. Password:024481. See website: uukennebunk.org for more details on how to tune in.

Blueberries for Sale



We have three 5-pound boxes of frozen organic Wild Maine Blueberries for sale, \$25 each. Please text Alicia Soliman at 207-467-0312 if you would like to purchase a box or two, or three!

Summer Garden Circles



"Vicki Adams and I are happy to report that this year's Garden Circles have been well-attended and hosted - with nine wonderful hosts/hostesses and 52 participants! These 'potluck circles' have ranged from lunch, brunch, and supper to a garden tea party, with hosts usually providing a main dish and guests bringing a food offering of their choice. Six garden circles have met, with three more to go! Thank you, everyone, for taking part in these informal summer gatherings".

Gratefully, Linda Thompson & Vicki Adams, Garden Circle Facilitators



2022 Blueberry Festival and Craft Fair

Thank you to all the volunteers that helped make the 2022 Blueberry Festival and Craft Fair a success.

We met our budget expectation at the FPUU craft booth. We still have plenty of merchandise left over so we will not be needing to make any investments in fabric for next year's fair. Ginny Lawrence's family member, Robbie, made beautiful candles and soap which added to our display. She, along with her two granddaughters, Hazel and Lila worked all day.

The addition of the vegan wraps was much appreciated by lots of people.

Marylyn Wentworth



Thank you to everyone for their donations to the jewelry table. It was a great success! A big thank you to our volunteers: Linda Thompson,



Barbara Conner, Mary Fortune, Mary Gelfand and Gray Hirshfield.



Barbara Conner and Linda Thompson volunteering their time at the jewelry table.

Women for All Seasons celebrate Lammas with a labyrinth at Kennebunk Beach



On August 1, WFAS members Sheila Littlefield & Susie Desantis created a Baltic labyrinth on the beach in the evening as the tide was receding. This is peak of summer, half-way to the Autumn equinox. Lammas is the Celtic festival honoring the first harvest. Besides quite a few members of WFAS and First Parish, many others enjoyed walking this labyrinth until it got dark. It was a magical evening.



Summer Worship Service Greeters Needed

Looking for greeters for the rest of the summer: 8/14, 8/21 and 8/28. If anyone is interested, please call Dennis and Beth Andersen at 468-5315 or 468-8581. Thank you.

Religious Exploration to Begin in the Fall

Every Sunday beginning September 11th there will be an exciting religious exploration program at First Parish. The members of the Religious Education committee are Gray Hirshfield, Susie DeSantis, Jacky Peters, and Marylyn Wentworth. Register by August 20th at www.uukennebunk.org Let your friends with children know!

SAVE the DATE

Sunday, September 11th, 2022 Ingathering Water Communion Service In-person and online Details to come.

First Parish News Submission

Weekly newsletters will begin again September 1st. Please email updates, photos, articles to <u>uukennebunkoffice@gmail.com</u> by August 30th.

Share the Offering for July and August

Freedom Fuel

Two local women, Jane Card, and Claudia Truesdale created a special, temporary program called Freedom Fuel. They are working with local nonprofits including Community Outreach Services (COS) to carry it out.

The Freedom Fuel program raises money to be used by local, low-income families to help them buy fuel since the price has gone up so much lately. Some families are having trouble making ends meet because of the high cost of gas. Because of the sudden increase, they don't have enough money for food and other necessities because it costs so much just to drive back and forth to work.

Funds raised through "Share the Offering" in July and August will be shared between our Church and Freedom Fuel. Their half will be distributed by COS.

Covid-19 safety: updated 5/18/22

The board has voted to continue the requirement for wearing masks at all events, meetings, and worship services at the church. We are seeing an uptick in Covid numbers. This is a thoughtful way of protecting those who may be more vulnerable. Renters and community groups will also be required to continue wearing masks. Thank you for being considerate of others.

Several our members and friends have tested positive for Covid-19 in the last month – we are sending healing energy their way. If you test positive, please reach out to Rev. Lara, or Andrea Rohde, the Caring Connections team wants to support yo

FPUU Website, easy access

There is a new easy way to find First Parish News on our website. Look for the link at the top left corner on the opening page. You can find upcoming and ongoing activities and announcements on our website or Facebook page. Spiritual opportunities are also listed with our Order of Service each week, available by email. Events also appear on our church calendar.

Website: www.uukennebunk.org

Calendar: www.uukennebunk.org/events

Facebook page: search for

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