

First Parish Voices

Worship Services Sunday, June 24, at 9:30 AM Notes From A Former Selectman– Bob Lown

Church office hours: The church office is open Tuesday thru Thursday from 9 am to 12 Rev. Lara Campbell office hours: Monday-Thursday 9 am to 12 pm or by appointment EXCEPT: June 18-25:UUA General Assembly; July 1-8 and 16-21: Vacation. She is always available via email or cell phone.

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Women For All Seasons

Women for All Seasons will host their annual Summer Solstice celebration this year on Thursday, June 21 at 6 PM.

The celebration will take place at the church upstairs in the chapel, as there is an event downstairs in the parish hall. Please bring a dish to share for the potluck and a chair for sitting outside if the weather is nice. All women are welcome.

Celebration of Life for Ruth and Burt Knauft

<u>Celebration of Life</u> for Ruth & Burt Knauft. Daughter and son-in-law Linda & Jim Thompson and their extended family will be having a <u>Service of Remembrance</u> on **Friday, June 22 at 2:30 p.m.,** in the <u>Parish Hall</u>. Some of you may remember Ruth, who at age 96 sometimes sat in her wheelchair in one of the front pews, and also greatly enjoyed the refreshments and conversation after services! Although we are new to the Kennebunk UU community, please know that everyone is welcome at this *Celebration of Life*, which will be followed by a short reception. We are honored that Patrick Connor (flute) and Bruce Childers (guitar, Uillean & Highland pipes) will provide some music.

Wake Now

Who Lives, Who Dies, Who Tells Your Story. Consider a legacy gift to First Parish and by doing so, enable our church to immediately receive a donation from the Shelter Rock UU congregation of 10% of the legacy gift's estimated value up to \$10,000 per donor. Pretty nice!! Talk with a member of our Wake Now Committee: Eva Downs, Kerry Hoag, Margaret Jones, Jay Kilbourn, Ted Trainer and Rev. Lara.

Blueberry Fair

With approximately 6 weeks to go until the Blueberry Fair on Saturday, July 28 we have 41 out of 45 spaces committed to and paid for. ONLY 4 SPACES TO GO. Round up your artsy/crafty friends and artisans and suggest they sign up. They can go to Blueberry Fair in Kennebunk, Maine on Face Book and click application in the announcement or just email me or give me a call:

tomveronesi@gmail.com or 860-550-3925. With your help, this can be a sellout!!!

Blueberry Fair Start-up First Meeting!

Everyone is welcome to find how we smoothly run a Blueberry Fair. Join us at our first meeting. We are starting the Blueberry Fair activity officially and inviting all of you to a meeting on Monday, June 25, 2017 at 6:30pm in the Church Library. We will be reviewing the coordinated steps to be taken and additional thoughts to make this a successful and fun event day.

We will be soliciting for event volunteers that have not been filled so far. The banner and sign-up list will be in the Parish Hall soon.

Added below is the existing list of coordinators with a few open spots for opportunity by one of you.

The Primary Coordinators:

1. Overall Coordinators: Jacky Peters, Hervé Lavoie

2. Monies Coordinator: Ruth Stackpole3. Vendor Craft Tents/Space Coordinator: Tom Veronesi

4. Publicity & Poster Distr. Coordinators: Karen Tolstrup / ?

5. Jewelry Table Coordinator:

6. Food – Purchasing Coordinator: Joe Carroll (need backup plan on buying day)

7. – Baked Goods Caller:
8. – Cooking Hot dogs, Soda/Chips:

9. -- Vegan offerings outside: Marylyn Wentworth
10. - Dining Room Coordinator: Christine Thurm

11.- Kitchen Coordinator:Ann Boyce12. Music Entertainment:Bruce Childress

13. Muffins/pie table team:
Andrea Rohde
14. Sound System setup:
Hervé Lavoie
15. Vendor Tent Lines marking:
Tom Veronesi

16. Food Tents setup: Hervé Lavoie

17. Recycling setup:Stacy Wentworth18. Lunch Posters and tickets:Sally Keene

19. Coffee & Carboy Donations
20. Inside Pie Cutters/Coordinator

Dan Lyons
Susan Jack

Please join the fun!!! Jacky and Hervé



Jewelry Wanted



Every year at the Blueberry Fair we sell jewelry donated by members and friends of the church. We make a considerable amount of money from this table. Please start bringing in jewelry items now. They can be left in the basket labeled jewelry on top of the mailboxes, which are located in the office. No item is too simple or too nice!

Summer Lunch Program

FPUU will be part of the Summer Lunch Program again this year! Children who qualify for reduced fee or free lunch during the school year can get a nutritious lunch on weekdays, provided by COS and Community Harvest. On Mondays, beginning on July 9, FPUU's kitchen will be the prep site. If you would be interested in participating, contact Karen Tolstrup at 467-9149 for further details. You can come once or for the summer, it's up to you. A great way to feel good.

The Steeple Repairs Project has Begun!

June is approaching us this week and as planned the Steeple will be in repair mode for the month. You will find a 135-foot man-lift on our grounds next Monday being managed by Port Painting, Inc. A week later you will find 4 tents ganged together to do final fitting of the false windows at the top of the steeple. We are also replacing three railings of four at the clock level and one rail at the belfry. Five of our eight column bottoms will also be replaced. To save costs, we will be looking for some volunteers in the next three weeks to help paint the rails/balusters and window panels in the tents.

Port Painting, Erik LeBrun, will also paint the front face of the church and carpentry repairs by Nate Davenport. Theron Wentworth, a fine-cabinetry carpenter, has fabricated the oval window trim and panels in his shop. Saco manufacturing is fabricating the turning the balusters and columns. Volunteers, Stacy Wentworth and Hervé Lavoie, will support construction and coordinate work logistics.

The steeple was completely surveyed by Resurgence Engineering and Preservation, Inc. giving First Parish Preservation Foundation another opportunity to write a third grant for \$30,000 additional funding on this project. The total project cost is at \$45,000. The draft report finds this steeple structurally, excellent condition thanks to the years of upkeep done by other members of this church. If you are interested in more detail, talk to Hervé or Stacy.

Properties Chairs, Hervé & Stacy

INSIGHT DIALOGUE MEDITATION PRACTICE

This meditation group will resume meeting after the summer on Saturday, SEPTEMBER 8 from 9:30-11:30am in the Parlor. Insight Dialogue Meditation is a fully embodied relational practice. We meet (usually) the first Saturday of the month. We begin with a lightly guided meditation followed by group sharing and Insight Dialogue Meditation Practice. No prior experience is necessary. This is a 'drop-in' group, and ALL are welcome. Please Join Us. For more information please contact Jaylene Summers; jsummers@roadrunner.com or 207-251-3317. Thank you.

Your Spare Bedroom can help the church!

First Parish offers professional development workshops for science teachers every summer. The workshops, which teach the guided inquiry method, have grown from the humble beginnings of 9 physics participants in 2006 to 42 this past summer in biology, chemistry, and physics. Graduates of our workshops give them rave reviews and their popularity is largely driven by word of mouth. This program is beginning its 12th season and has been made successful by the generous volunteer efforts of the FPUU membership! The program not only supports UU faith in science, but also is our biggest fundraiser. The reason we raised more than \$25,000 through this program last year is — our spare bedrooms! Members and friends welcomed one or two science teachers into our homes, so they can have a place to sleep. They get their meals at church or at local restaurants. This "spare bedroom donation" enables teachers to attend our programs, because it lowers their overall expense. Our hospitality and the excellence of our program spell success.

This summer's program will take place two weeks: July 22 - 27, and July 29 - Aug. 3. If you have a spare bedroom available for one or both of these weeks, and you are comfortable hosting a teacher, please call Vicki Adams, 207-216-3890. You can support science and help make a real dent in the First Parish budget!

Did you know?????

You can listen to past sermons online! Go to <u>uukennebunk.org</u>, click on the 3rd box on the left side "Latest Sermon: Audio" or if you want to check the archives "View all sermons in our archive" So... if you missed a week or want to hear a particular sermon again you can!

Caring for our neighbors

Our collection of toiletries for the needy will continue as the year goes on.

Look for the bin in the Parish Hall. Ginny DiMarco and Arlene Horn will deliver our gifts to the Sanford UU Church, which distributes them. Thank you for your generosity!

Do you Need A Copy Of The Newsletter?

Paper copies of the current Church Newsletter are available for those who do not use email. They may be found on the Welcome Table in the Parish Hall. They are also available by mail. Please contact Crystal Jones, Office Administrator, to be put on the list

Watch GA from the comfort of your own home or with friends! June 20-24

General Assembly (GA) is the annual meeting of our Unitarian Universalist Association (UUA). Attendees worship, witness, learn, connect, and make policy for the Association through democratic process. General Assembly 2018 (June 20-24) will take place in Kansas City, MO.

You can watch online by going to the following page and clicking on the event at the time it is schedule: https://www.uua.org/ga/off-site/2018

Rev. Lara will be recognized for having been granted Final Fellowship (the UU Minister equivalent of tenure) at the Service of the Living Tradition on Thursday at 8 pm!

Wednesday, June 20

Welcoming Celebration and General Session I 8:00 – 9:30 p.m.

Thursday, June 21

Morning Worship: Presente

9:00 – 9:45 a.m.

General Session II

10:15 – 1:15 p.m.

Public Witness: "Anatomy of a Bailout" Panel

Discussion

2:00 - 3:30 p.m.

See also: more public witness opportunities for GA 2018 from Black Lives of Unitarian Universalism Service of the Living Tradition: Sounding the Call 8:00-9:30 p.m.

Friday, June 22

Morning Worship: Choosing the Better Part

9:00 - 9:30 a.m.

General Session III

10:00 - 11:45 a.m.

General Session IV

2:30 - 4:30 p.m.

Synergy Bridging Worship

5:00 - 6:30 p.m.

Saturday, June 23

Morning Worship: Frayed? Not!

9:00 – 9:30 a.m.

General Session V

10:00 – 1:15 p.m.

General Session VI

5:30 – 6:45 p.m.

Ware Lecture by Brittany Packnett

8:30 – 9:30 p.m.

Sunday, June 24

Morning Worship: No Time for Casual Faith

10:00 – 11:30 a.m.

General Session VII

12:00 – 1:15 p.m

General Session VIII

2:30 – 5:00 p.m.

Closing Celebration: Hold On

5:30 – 6:00 p.m.

2018 Summer Worship Schedule

DATE	PRESENTER(S)	<u>TITLE</u>	COORDINATOR
6.17.18	The Rev. Lara Campbell	Snippets from UU General Assembly	The Rev. Lara Campbell
6.24.18	Bob Lown	Notes from a Former Selectman	Rachel Wells
7.1.18	Patrick Conner	Embodied Spirituality	Sally Keene
7.8.18	Meredith Norris	What Would You Do?	Ted Trainer
7.15.18	The Rev. Lara Campbell and Russell Lawson	Apostle of the East	The Rev. Lara Campbell
7.22.18	Geoff and Linda Haley	Habitat in Guatemala	Susie Landgrebe
7.29.18	The Rev. Lara Campbell	Secure Yourself to Heaven	The Rev. Lara Campbell
8.5.18	Bernie Reim	The Great American Total Solar Eclipse	Ted Trainer
8.12.18	The Rev. Lara Campbell	Gettin' Crafty	The Rev. Lara Campbell
8.19.18	Stacy Wentworth and Family	Climate Change: A Moral Dilemma	Rachel Wells
8.26.18	Friday Writers Group	The Alchemy of Writing	Susie Landgrebe
9.2.18	Mary Boucher	The Gift of Laughter	Sally Keene

Funding Opportunities!

ClynK Bottle Redemption



What is that sound you hear early Sunday mornings in the back hall? And ever wonder why you see members carrying wine bottles around?

FPUU not only recycles, but we turn in "Maine labeled" bottles and cans for money.

We have a **Clynk** deposit barrel in the kitchen. If you have more than you can carry, take home your very own green bag. The new Clynk bags are in the black filing cabinet to the right of the stage behind the back curtain.

Here is the Clynk website for more information: https://www.clynk.com



Do you shop at Hannaford?

Easy Fundraiser!

For every \$1000 our community spends, Hannaford will award our church \$50! If you shop at Hannaford, even a small amount, consider participating in this easy fundraiser.

Here's what you need to do...

If you are NEW to the program - Leave a check, made out to "FPUU" in the amount of \$5-450, with "Hannaford" on the memo line, in the locked box of the church office door. We will leave a blank Hannaford gift card for you at the church.

To ADD money to your card - Leave a check, made out to "FPUU" in the amount of \$5-450, with the four digit "PIN" from the back of your Hannaford Gift Card, on the memo line, in the locked box of the church office door.

If the total order amount is at least \$1000 we will send you an email telling you when the money will be credited to your card.

Deadline to submit checks: Monday evenings by 5 pm.

Email <u>FPUUHannaford@gmail.com</u> if you have questions. Thanks! Rev. Lara, Eva and Myrna

Spiritual Growth Opportunities!

- Embracing Aging: Moment to Moment is a thoughtful, provocative discussion group that meets twice a month, 4-5:30pm from January April. In 2019, Helen Rousseau is the contact person at hrousseau@roadrunner.com or 207-332-0046.
- Women for All Seasons: 2nd and 4th Tuesdays from 6:30 -8:30 p.m. Celebrate the cycles of nature and the season, share and discuss, get to know other women in the congregation. We meet the second and fourth Tuesdays from September through June. For more information, please contact Kathe Wright 985-6194 or Barbara Conner 229-0799. All women are welcome. Free
- **Meditation:** A small group meets every Wednesday from 5:05-6:30 p.m. in the Library from September through June, or during the winter, in the Chapel. Our practice is simple. We begin with a brief check-in and reading. Then we practice silent sitting and walking meditation at our own pace. Please contact Cynthia Riley for more information at 207-646-5407 or cgriley85@gmail.com . **All are welcome.**
- Tuesday Small Group Ministry: On the first and third Tuesday of each month, Sept. thru June, Small Group meets in the FPUU Library 1-3 p.m. The purpose is to deepen relationships and spirituality, and to share community through discussion, in a safe environment. Newcomers welcome. FMI: Virginia DiMarco 985-7238.
- Early Morning Yoga: Thursday from 7-8:15 am: Start your day with a moderately paced Hatha Yoga class led by Patrick Conner, M.A., RYT (Registered Yoga Teacher). Come whenever you can no attendance commitment. All experience levels are welcome. Wear comfortable clothes that allow movement. Bring a Yoga mat and props if you have them there will be mats available to borrow. All adults and teens are welcome. Donations accepted.
- Adult Choir: September to June. All are welcome!
- Connecting Circles: Circle K will resume meeting once a month in the fall. If you would like to connect spiritually on a personal level with others, please contact Karen Tolstrup at 207-467-9149 or kdtolstrup@gmail.com.
- An affiliated group "Ripples of Peace" Buddhist Sangha: Tuesdays, 5:15- 6:45 p.m, in the Children's Chapel Beginners Welcome! A Sangha is a community of friends learning and practicing the teachings of the Buddha. Our weekly gatherings begin with sitting and walking meditation followed by a reading from a Buddhist teacher. The Sangha is an open gathering come when you can, you are always welcome. Contact Sally Keene 590-0035, sipk@roadrunner.com for info.
- INSIGHT DIALOGUE-SATURDAY MEDITATION; A RELATIONAL PRACTICE This meditation group will resume meeting after the summer on Saturday, SEPTEMBER 8 from 9:30-11:30am in the Parlor. Insight Dialogue Meditation is a fully embodied relational practice. We meet (usually) the first Saturday of the month. We begin with a lightly guided meditation followed by group sharing and Insight Dialogue Meditation Practice. No prior experience is necessary. This is a 'drop-in' group, and ALL are welcome. Please Join Us. For more information please contact Jaylene Summers; jsummers@roadrunner.com or 207-251-3317. Thank you.

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