

Friday Flyer – April 1, 2022

News You Can UUse

From the UU Church of Saco and Biddeford

- **Worship This Week** – *The Gospel According to Pokémon*
- *Rev. Lori Whittemore*
- **Worship at 10:00 AM– April 3rd**

- **Church Activities This Week:**

- Saturday, April 2 @ 8:00 AM - *Harbour Singers*
- Sunday, April 3 @ 10:00 AM - *Worship*
- Sunday, April 3 @ 11:00 AM - *Social Hour in Parish Hall*
- Tuesday, April 5 @ 5:30 PM - *Membership*
- Wednesday, April 6 @ 5:00 PM - *Finance Committee*
- Wednesday, April 6 @ 6:00 PM - *Harbour Singers*
- Thursday, April 7 @ 6:30 PM - *Alphabet Soup*

Unless indicated otherwise, these activities welcome all members and friends.

Office Hours

Minister, Rev. Lori Whittemore
Administrator, Brian Dustin

By Appointment
Mon-Wed-Fri –8-11 AM

Caring Needs – Please contact church office.

Upcoming Events and Activities

- **Pledge Update**

Hi Folks!

Just a quick update to tell you where we are regarding our 2022-2023 church budget. Gratefully, we have received \$25,285 towards our \$66,000 goal this year. Thank you! As a gentle reminder, we hope to hear from those who have yet to send in their pledges. These are busy, busy times and it is easy for that pledge envelope to be forgotten for the moment. We hope to hear from you soon. Extended pledge date is Monday, April 11th. See you in church!

- **Thoughts from Rev. Lori**

“We do have a lot in common. The same earth, the same air, the same sky. Maybe if we started looking at what is the same instead of what is different, who knows?

Meowth-team rocket

“I see now that the circumstances of one’s birth are irrelevant; it is what you do with the gift of life that determines who you are”

Mewtwo

“There are bad ways to win and good ways to lose. What is interesting and troubling is that it is not always clear which is which. A flipped coin does not always land on heads or tails. Sometimes it may never land at all.”

Grimsley

“Even if we don’t understand each other, that is not a reason to reject each other. There are two sides to any argument. Is there one point of view that has all the answers? Give it some thought.”

Alder

READ- these different quotes out loud and in your head

MEDITATE-let your mind rest on a word or a phrase

PRAY seek guidance on what these verses mean for you

CONTEMPLATE how whether these phrases from the Pokémon Go game reflect our values and principles

A living tradition constantly contextualizes its truth in languages that people can understand and engage with. Could it be that the Holy is engaging with people, with youth, in ways that we don’t understand? Can we afford to stay out of those conversations? How do we learn the languages of people that we want to meet, get to know, and invite in? Make sure to bring your phones to church on Sunday and let’s get the conversation going!

Peace and Blessings!

Rev. Lori (she/her/hers)

- **Live Stream on Facebook**

We are now live streaming our services on Facebook every Sunday at 10:00am

Feeling under the weather? Can't get to church?

Want to join the service from the comfort of your own home?

Join us live at 10:00am every Sunday on our Facebook page-

Unitarian Universalist Church of Saco and Biddeford.

(Facebook link on our web page)

- **Covid-19 Guidelines**

- Masks are OPTIONAL inside
- Softly singing with masks on
- Masks off when speaking in pulpit area
- Sit in appropriately marked pews - social distance unless in same household
- Hand sanitizer stations
- Social hour in the parish hall – no food or coffee

- **Ushers & Flowers**

We need Ushers and flower donations every Sunday. Please sign up on the schedule on the bulletin board by the restrooms. Thanks.

- **Hannaford Cards**

Ellie L. will be selling Hannaford Gift Cards in the Nursery on Sundays after church. If you buy your groceries with a Hannaford card, the church receives 5%. Please enter the Nursery one person at a time to purchase your cards.