

## Friday Flyer – June 24, 2022

## News You Can UUse

From the UU Church of Saco and Biddeford

- **Worship This Week** – *Flower Communion* – **please bring your flowers**
- *Rev. Lori Whittemore*
- **Worship at 10:00 AM – June 26<sup>th</sup>**

**• Church Activities This Week:**

- Sunday, June 26 @ 10:00 AM - Worship
- Thursday, June 30 @ 7:00 PM - *Alphabet Soup* – Movie Night  
*Three Months* (2022)

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

- **Flower Communion**

On Sunday, June 26<sup>th</sup>, we will be celebrating our traditional Flower Communion to end our church year. Please bring flowers with you to share.

- **Nice Piano Needs Babysitter**

Ben P. has a nice Yamaha U1 upright acoustic piano, and he is looking for a pianist that might enjoy babysitting it for several months and/or years while he is waiting to buy a new home. The piano is in excellent condition. Ben will pay professionals to move it into your house, and will also pay to have it tuned up after the move. The tuning pegs are very tight, and the piano can stay in tune for upwards of two years in a suitable environment. Dimensions are 60" width, 24" depth, by 48" height. Please give Ben a call if you're interested: 914-325-2802.

- **Summer Services**

Service Leaders are needed for Summer Services! Services (30 minutes) are held Sunday mornings in the Parish Hall from July 10 to August 28. Available dates are: July 17, 31; August 7, 21 and 28. For weeks when there is no leader a reading will be provided for contemplation and meditation. The Sign-Up sheet is on the bulletin board.

- **Online Sales**

For a couple of years, we have worked together to keep the Online Sales going. For a while, the online sales have dwindled down significantly. We are now able to go back to our tried and true, successful, and fun ways of making money for the church . Effectively now, I am going to step back from this program. If there is someone who wants to take it up, I'll gladly assist in starting it up again. Thanks for working with me to help bring in money for our beloved church during COVID. Pat S.

- **Thoughts from Rev. Lori**

This weekend we will celebrate our flower communion. It is a new ritual for me. It seems like a really beautiful one. Perfect for marking the last Sunday of the last month of our 6-month spiritual pilgrimage together. It is a time to integrate our journey together. We felt the call, identified our tools, set out, encountered, and were challenged by what we found, were changed by it and now have returned to where we began, as different people. I invite you to use the summer to reflect and integrate these last months. To assess what they meant to you. Coming out of Covid (mostly). Coming back together as a church in person. (mostly). Defining what the new normal is and can be. I offer this reading for our lectio divina: *blessings shall follow us...*, Rev. Dr. Rebekah Savage

*As we end our time together today in spiritual community, may we depart this sacred space:  
Knowing that blessings shall follow us all the days of our lives,  
If we live in and return to right relationships,  
If we extend grace and forgiveness to ourselves and others,  
If we behold mercy as a spiritual superpower.  
If we emanate the Greater Love that holds us close.  
May our lives radiate the blessings that we have been given,  
May kindness and compassion fall gently from us.  
May there be peace in the world, and may it begin again with us.*

READ it out loud and inside your head

MEDITATE see if a word or a phrase sticks out to you

PRAY for guidance about what this passage has to tell you

CONTEMPLATE where blessings exist in your life and how you will mark your blessings this summer

### **A NOTE OF THANKS**

Over these past 6 months my time here has offered me more blessings than I can count. I have been welcomed beyond measure. You have welcomed my messages, shared what is on your heart, and offered your authentic selves. You are truly a lovely community and I feel so much gratitude to be with you and to serve you! This summer, I will be available on Monday and Friday mornings at the church if you want to stop in. If you need a private conversation, let me know ahead and I'll make sure I set aside some time.

Go out into the world in peace  
keep hold of what is good  
never pay back wrong with wrong  
be joyful  
reflect often  
and give thanks  
for this slice of life that has been given to you!

Peace and Blessings'

Rev. Lori

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- **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
- 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

- **Hannaford Cards**

Ellie L. will be selling Hannaford Gift Cards in the Parish Hall 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.