Social Justice Update



Share the Plate - May

Wabanaki Reach (nominated by Emily O'Neill)

Each week, we share one third of our offering with a local nonprofit to show our support for organizations whose work furthers the values expressed in our denomination's Seven Principles. We hope that Share the Plate will also bring a greater awareness to the community of Allen Avenue UU Church and Unitarian-Universalist values.

Family Promise cash donations labeled "Family Promise" could be sent to A2U2 through Breeze, church drop off or mail. FMI Contact: Emily O'Neill (emily.gagan@gmail.com) or AnneMarie Catanzano (amc04105@gmail.com)

Social Justice Committee Monthly Meeting 5/22 Zoom

Links



<u>League of</u> <u>Women Voters</u> June 11 Election



<u>MUUSAN</u> <u>Network</u> <u>Meeting May</u> <u>11th</u>



Pink Haven Wednesday, May 8th at 6:30pm on Zoom



Did you show up for UU values during the 2024 legislative session?!

MUUSAN

Maine Unitarian Universalist State Advocacy Network

FILL OUT THIS <u>3-MINUTE SURVEY</u> AND LET US KNOW!

Please tell us if you took action during this legislative session in any way, including attending a rally or lobby day, postcard-writing, submitting testimony, writing a Letter to the Editor, etc.

To help inform our next Network Meeting we need to hear from each and every one of you who took any action, regardless of how small or how large!

Pink Haven

Pink Haven is an organization that is helping to relocate trans families from unsafe states to safer states (Maine is currently a "safer" state).

Heather Vickery, Director of Congregational Activism with the UU Service Committee, will be hosting an info session for us (as well as some folks from my colleagues' churches) **on Wednesday, May 8th at 6:30pm on Zoom.**

> We unapologetically reject any effort to erase transgender people.We affirm the inherent worth, dignity, and humanity of our trans siblings.

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For more information please read this article from UUWorld, <u>Pink Haven Coalition Helps</u> <u>Transgender People Relocate and Access</u> <u>Gender-Affirming Care</u>

How Does the Pink Haven Coalition Help Trans People?

The Pink Haven Coalition is a joint project between frontline trans organizers, UUSC, the Unitarian Universalist Association, other

> progressive faith groups, and mutual aid networks across the country. In early 2023, the main organizers of this work approached UUSC and the UUA when they saw the increase in antitrans laws being proposed and passed. Through the Pink Haven Coalition, the UUA and UUSC are a part of creating a network to organize housing and transportation for these "passengers," the name the coalition has given to the people it is helping.

A2U2 SOCIAL JUSTICE COMMITTEE

MAY 1, 2024

Green Teams Gathering

SUNDAY, MAY 19 2.00 - 5.00PM (EASTERN)

Cape Elizabeth United Methodist Church Cape Elizabeth, Maine





Methodist Church Cape Elizabeth, Maine

NEVER DOUBT THAT A SMALL GROUP OF THOUGHTFUL, COMMITTED CITIZENS CAN CHANGE THE WORLD; INDEED, IT'S THE ONLY THING THAT EVER HAS. – MARGARET MEADE



This program is free. Donations to support the ongoing work of The BTS Center will be accepted with gratitude.

This spring, The BTS Center is pleased to offer a gathering opportunity for members and friends of congregational Green Teams, Earth Care Teams, Climate Action Teams, and other congregational teams (by any name!) that are exploring the impacts of climate change, pursuing sustainable practices, embracing ecological understandings, or organizing collective action in this time of planetary upheaval.

Over the course of a Sunday afternoon, we will meet in Southern Maine to learn and connect with one another – to share what work our Green Teams are doing and to imagine collectively how they may evolve to meet the challenges of these times.

This gathering is open to people of diverse faith traditions and backgrounds, as well as people who may not have a Green Team established in their community yet.

For more information and to register, visit thebtscenter.org

Sunday, May 19, 2024 • 2.00 - 5.00 pm

Cape Elizabeth United Methodist Church



280 Ocean House Road, Cape Elizabeth, ME

