



June 2021 Newsletter

HARBOR Unitarian Universalist CONGREGATION

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HUUC Mission Statement:

Harbor Unitarian Universalist Congregation is a safe haven inspiring people to seek their own spiritual truths through worship and learning in community as we build a better world together.

HUUC Vision Statement:

The people of Harbor Unitarian Universalist Congregation envision a community where connections are strengthened and deepened, where families are supported, and where diversity is celebrated.

Sue McIntire, *Music Director*

Kim Burr, *Coordinator of Religious Education*

HUUC Board of Trustees

Poppy Sias Hernandez, *President*

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Eli Fox, *Secretary*

Member at Large:

Carolyn Holmes • Rebecca St. Clair • Jones Barton

Sunday Worship Services

Begin at 10:30 am

Zoom With Us at

<https://zoom.us/j/91447658076>

Virtual!

June 6th

"Sylvia, Marsha, Leslie and Minnie Bruce Too:

PRIDE Prelude, Part Two"

Rev. Kristen Orion

Last month we lifted up the fierce, fabulous, and deadly serious lives of Sylvia Rivera, Marsha P. Johnson. This Sunday we continue to honor the queer revolutionary pioneers who literally ushered in the movement as we now know it for equality, inclusion and justice for every letter - and every color - in the LGBTQQIA+ rainbow. Leslie Feinberg and Minnie Bruce Pratt - path-breaking activists, authors, and life-partners - "laid the groundwork for much of the present-day terminology and awareness around gender studies." Feinberg self-identified as "an anti-racist white, working-class, secular Jewish, transgender, lesbian, female, revolutionary communist," ever communicating the interdependence of systems oppression. These powerful lives inspire and instruct us in the revolutionary meaning of PRIDE, and call us to be the PRIDE we wish to see in the world!

June 13th *at Hidden Cove Park*

"Flower Communion"

Peggy Humphreys

Bring a flower & a chair for this outdoor service at Hidden Cove Park: 3941 Grand Haven Rd, Norton Shores, MI 49441 This service will also be available on zoom.

June 20th

"Multiply Your Seed"

Kwame James

Come listen and learn about the rewards of taking on the responsibilities of fatherhood.

June 27th

"The Five Jagged Rocks of Unitarian Universalism"

Jones Barton

Originally written by Kari Gottfried and presented by Board Member Jones Barton

Next HUUC Board Meeting: Monday July 12 • 7:30 pm
via Zoom <https://zoom.us/j/93775234810> or room code 9377-5234-810
All are welcome!

Greetings from the Board of Trustees!

Now that we are approaching our next fiscal year (July 1) it is time to meet as a congregation to determine the future of HUUC. The Board has scheduled the annual congregational meeting to take place via Zoom on **Sunday, June 27, 2021**, following the service. The business meeting will begin at 12:00 noon, allowing for a short break between the Worship Service and the meeting. Our regular zoom link:

<https://zoom.us/j/91447658076>

We will be approving a budget as well as electing officers to serve on the Board of Trustees and discussing our plans to reopen our building. It is necessary to have a quorum to conduct this important meeting so all members are strongly encouraged to attend.

This past year has been a challenge but we have every reason to believe that better times are ahead. The worship committee is planning services for the summer months to include some outdoor services which we will continue to carry on our Zoom link. And we would like to begin planning a very special service for our return to our beautiful sanctuary. Much work has been done to provide upgrades to our space and the choir is eager to return to rehearsals. **If you have ideas about a special way to celebrate our return let me know (holmesland58@gmail.org).**

One of the traditions we have at HUUC is to share a sample of water that each person brings to the first service in the Fall. **We usually refer to this as our “Ingathering”.** This year the significance of our reunion is enhanced so keep in mind that you will want to bring a small container of water to that reunion service. It can be water from home or water from afar. We will announce a date for that service in the near future but you can collect your water at any time as you enjoy the warmer months ahead.

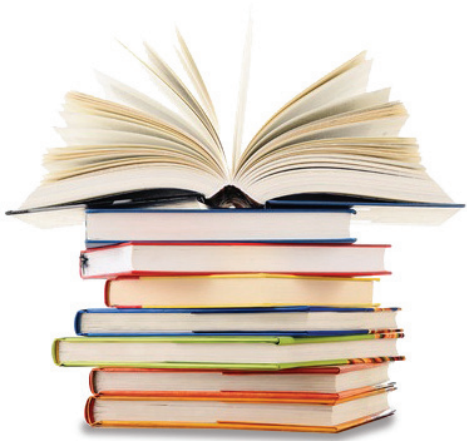
Please continue to keep one another in your hearts until we can all gather in person once more!

In Peace,
Carolyn Holmes
Trustee

HUUC is looking for Virtual Speakers!
Looking for persons to present a
Sunday morning service

Contact a member of worship committee to sign up today!

*Carolyn Holmes • Anna EldenBrady • Peggy Humphreys • Arionna Huffman • Jessica Sheldon
Sue McIntire • Kwame James • Rebecca St. Clair
email Jessica at gingermajick@hotmail.com*



Sunday, June 13th After Service...
Book Exchange!

Bring your books you are ready to part with and exchange them with your HUUC family and friends. Pick up new books to stock your library with some fresh ideas. Taking place after service at Hidden Cove Park. Contact Jessica at gingermajick@hotmail.com or 231.206.4947 with any questions.

Remember to bring
A FLOWER
to Flower Communion for the
June 13th Service...
At Hidden Cove Park



Remember to gather
A SAMPLE OF WATER
for our Annual Fall
Ingathering Service

Please submit information for the **July Newsletter** by Monday, June 28th to Jessica at gingermajick@hotmail.com • text or call 231.206.4947



Harbor Has a Spa Day (Month!)

Jim and Nancy, Jeff and Kwame, Kim and Jones ... Nancy, Mary, Asa and Kristen ... and numerous supporters all had a hand in bringing back some SHINE in our beloved building! With sanding and sweeping, wiping, mopping and dusting; with doing it all over and over again; and with several coats of stain and polyurethane ... WOW!

Big giant thanks to Jim Stier for shepherding this amazing transformation with both grit and grace!



PRIDE/ Reflection & Connection Programming for June!

"Be the PRIDE you wish to see in the world!"

Wednesdays: June 9, 16, 23, 30 7 - 8 pm Eastern

PRIDE Reflect & Connect: Que(e)rying the Bible

For years, many folks have been asking, *"What does the Bible say about homosexuality?"* but for this series we will instead be asking, "What do queer folk have to say about the Bible?" Join us on Wednesday nights in June for a 4-week virtual exploration of the Bible with the assumption that lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender and queer peoples have been in the sacred texts all along! Be the PRIDE you wish to see in the world!

Meeting ID: 872 6765 3544 Passcode: HUUC

zoom link:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87267653544?pwd=dUEzNmJNWw0YmhFQy9sSWVUZ29iZz09>



**Thursday June 3 6 - 9 pm Eastern
Muskegon PRIDE: Roll On Muskegon!**

Join the party! Muskegon Pride Center is partnering again with Roll On Muskegon and McLaughlin Farms to repeat the Bike Parade from the Muskegon Farmers Market to McLaughlin Farms and back. Participants are encouraged to decorate their bikes or cheer from the sidelines.

**Wednesday, June 9 11 am - 2 pm Eastern
Muskegon PRIDE: Paint the Town!**
Meet at Muskegon Farmers Market

Participants will paint the parking lines on Western Ave between First Street and Terrance. When we're done painting, participants are encouraged to take their new friends and enjoy Muskegon's Social District together.



**Saturday June 19 7 - 8 pm Eastern
Muskegon Virtual PRIDE Event & Resource Fair**

Community partners, local activists, members of SOGIE (Sexual Orientation Gender Identity & Expression) affirming organizations - and some Harbor UU members and friends! - are hosting a day of virtual speakers and workshops, along with a resource fair. All are invited! ZOOM login details and full program details available soon! zoom link: to be shared soon!