

Dear Sisters of Women's Spring Weekend~ June 2023

Hello to you, we finally have our glorious Spring! Thanks be to God.

My name is Joyce Long, Pastor of Casco Village Church UCC, and my sister Rev. Diane Wendorf now living in Rochester, NH – we are your Deans! We are so excited to be sharing this weekend Camp together again with all of you. As always, we will try very hard to carry on the wonderful traditions and sacred rituals of our beloved weekend, and at the same time offering something new to inspire our spirits.

Our Theme: "Awakening Wonder In An Anxious Age"

This year's book is: "Enchantment" by Katherine May

I hope you will enjoy this book, a suggestion from our Niece Rev. H. Becca Lockwood. I did!

Some details to know:

This year for our Mission, we are supporting two organizations, splitting the funds in half to the following programs:





Daisy's Children in Honduras started by Sharon Beckwith & **The Talented Youth Community Fellowship of Uganda** which provides services and support to LGBTQ folks in Uganda.

--->We'll let you know what color T-shirt to bring for our group PICTURE when we figure that out.

For those of you who may be attending for the first time, Welcome!

BRING: bedding or a sleeping bag (don't forget the fitted sheet to cover the mattress!), a towel, clothing that can be layered, swimwear, a flashlight, rain gear, bug repellant and sunscreen. If you have special dietary needs or special food, they may be left in the kitchen refrigerator.

Things NOT to include: drugs, alcohol, or pets. (Service animals are welcome but we need to know in advance.) Pilgrim Lodge is a tobacco free zone as are all Outdoor Ministry sponsored events.

Regarding cell phones: disconnecting from the world is part of the joy/challenge of a retreat event. If you need to keep cell contact, please keep phones on silence and use them privately so as to respect everyone's experience.

*Also, I'd like to encourage Grandmother/Mother-Daughters from 18 years old and up.
I brought my AFS Student, Lisa from Sweden, one year @ 18- we had a spectacular time!

Our time together will begin with supper on Friday June 2nd and ends with brunch on Sunday June 4th. You may arrive at camp anytime after 4pm on Friday June 3rd to get settled in your cabin and start enjoying Pilgrim Lodge! Please do your very best to stay for the whole weekend ~ for your sake as well as the community as we gather together.

Please let Joyce know if you are wanting or willing to participate in worship or in any other way. On Saturday we will be offering ART crafts. We know many of you love having things to do with your hands and artistic spirits! Di will lead us on an Artistic Adventure----doing Crafts with the Sun! And I read in your evaluations 2019 that you'd like to have Yoga? Joyce does Yoga, but not a teacher--- but would certainly love to schedule that in in the morning. [I will do gentler Yoga than last year – I promise!!!] Bring your own mats and I know PL used to have some as well. Also, if digging in the dirt is what you enjoy, we can help with that. For the past few years many of you have blessed PL with gifts of potted annuals and perennials. Others have shared their skills in planting. This effort to beautify PL is always appreciated.

If you have special housing requests please let me know at the email below. Please remember to send in your payment to the PL office at least two weeks prior to camp. You do not need a doctor's signature but we do need to have you complete and submit the health form. I've already heard from a few of you!

So now that's all there is to it! Just come, enjoy and relax on Lake Cobbosseecontee. Bring a friend as well! Dinner will be served at 6pm Friday Night. Please let us know if you will need to arrive at a later time. We are very excited, as always, and look forward to seeing all of you.

~ Sisters with you, Rev. Joyce Long & Rev. Diane Wendorf

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