



Monadnock Interfaith Project
Building An Interfaith Coalition for Community Understanding and Social Justice

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Dear friends, greetings to you on these first frosty days of Autumn!

For those of us who have local elections this Tuesday, November 7, we urge you to get out and vote for the candidates who are working on the issues you care about.

Read below about the upcoming Lay Leader Gathering, Community Breakfasts, Kristallnacht Remembrance, and more!



Interfaith Lay Leaders Gathering & Potluck Dinner

**Thursday, November 16
5:30-7:30pm**

Keene Unitarian Universalist Church
Parish Hall, 69 Washington St.

At Lay Leader Gatherings we create meaningful relationships across differences and put our faith into action. If you participated in August, we look forward seeing you again and bring a friend. First timers are encouraged to attend!

We will build on our August meeting with:

- More time for getting to know one another.
- Sharing one another's spiritual journeys.
- Strategizing for making more good things happen in our region.

[Click here to RSVP for the Lay Leader Gathering Nov 16](#)

Please note, this is a day of the week and location change from the last meeting. We will share a potluck meal together.

Reach out to monadnockinterfaith@gmail.com with any questions.

MIP Annual Meeting

MIP's Guiding Council (board of trustees) held its annual meeting October 28 at the Keene Unitarian Universalist Church. The Council reviewed MIP's many accomplishments of the last year and set goals for 2023-24. Discussion focused on MIP's fiscal stability, interfaith community outreach, organizational development, and positive systems change efforts for our region.

Represented on the Guiding Council are Buddhist, Jewish, Muslim, and Christian faith traditions. Their vision for building a strong interfaith community has made MIP a vibrant contributor to the Monadnock region's social and spiritual community.



MIP Guiding Council

Front row, left to right: Roye Ginsberg, Sandra Whippie (Emerita), Pamela Parrish
Back row: Len Fleischer, Ahmed Kutty, Tom Julius, Judy Lundahl, Ken Kost, Jim Duffy

Kristallnacht Remembrance

Thursday, November 9

5:30 p.m. - 6:00 p.m.

Keene Public Library, Cohen Hall



Join with the Cohen Center for Holocaust & Genocide Studies on the anniversary of Kristallnacht to remember those who were affected by the 1938 pogrom (wave of antisemitic violence). We will stand together with local leaders and members of many faith traditions as we recommit ourselves to being a community that stands against hatred and violence.

Interfaith Community Breakfast Program



Ready to Make it Happen this Winter!

Breakfast program team leaders recently toured the kitchen facilities at the new Hundred Nights Shelter facility in preparation for serving hot

breakfasts there this winter. Meals will be served November to April by teams from congregations: Keene Unitarian Universalist, Trinity Lutheran, St. Bernards Roman Catholic, United Church of Christ, and Ahavas Achim Synagogue with donations from the St. Vincent DePaul Society.



Mission: Provide shelter and crisis related services to those at risk of or experiencing homelessness.

Hundred Nights is looking for volunteers to help with weekend meals. They are seeing a significant increase in people coming in for dinner on the weekends and are now serving between 65-80 people. **Volunteers needed to help serve dinner in December 2, 3, 9, 10, 23, 24, 30, 31**

Also needed are parka-style coats (not dress coats), new or barely used insulated winter boots (Men's Size 9-11, and Women's Size 7-9.5), waterproof gloves, fleece lined hats, hand warmers, men's and women's jeans, hooded sweatshirts, and long underwear.

You can always check the latest volunteer needs on the Hundred Nights website: <https://hundrednightsinc.org/volunteering-at-hundred-nights/>

MIP Housing Campaign Quiz!

How many of extremely low income households are seniors?

Find out in...

[MIP Housing - Do You Know...?!](#)



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