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Unitarian Universalists in Falmouth Celebrate Pride Month

Led by its Welcoming Congregation Committee, the Unitarian Universalist Fellowship of Falmouth is displaying its celebration of PRIDE month both inside and outside of their meetinghouse at 840 Sandwich Road in East Falmouth.

To promote its inclusion of LGBTQ persons to the wider community, the congregation has wrapped the entire circumference of the outside of its building in a rainbow banner that was made by members of the Fellowship. Representatives of the Congregation will also host a table at Cape Cod PRIDE 2018 at Falmouth High School, 12:00 Noon to 4 PM on Sunday, June 24.

Inside the meetinghouse, the Committee has placed new signs on the doors of both the men's and women's restrooms that read, "Gender diversity is welcomed here. All are welcome to use the restroom that best fits their identity." A private gender-neutral restroom is also available.

Members are also studying the Massachusetts Gender Identity Anti-Discrimination Veto Referendum to determine how the congregation can become involved in the movement to ensure a positive outcome. A "yes" vote on the November 6, 2018 referendum supports upholding Senate Bill 2407, a law which went into effect in 2016, to prohibit discrimination based on gender identity in public places.

Several years ago, UUFF was recognized as a Welcoming Congregation by the Unitarian Universalist Association after deeply engaging with the question of how to more intentionally welcome individuals, families, and communities of all sexual orientations and gender identities. Currently, the Fellowship is undergoing an assessment and recommitment process to refresh its designation as a Welcoming Congregation.

More information is available from Bill Donkin, a member of the UUFF Welcoming Congregation Committee, at 508-564-4901.