

## Pride Celebration 2023

UUCC's social action shined this month! During New Paltz Pride on Sunday, June 4, it was reported that our congregation was one of 2 favorite groups that walked in the parade/march. Our presence was notable for how we proudly showed up in an impactful way for the LGBTQIA+ community. The Girl Scouts were also appreciated for their presence and bravery for walking that day.

28 UUCC members attended Pride and created an approachable presence. And we were approached by many! Our table was very well attended all day, sometimes 2 and 3 people deep with people wanting to receive a fun temporary tattoo or asking several genuine questions about our congregation and asking for literature about UU/UUCC. We were approached by both members of the LGBTQIA+ community as well as allies, several of whom were interested in our social action and 7 Principles. Our interactions successfully reached out as well as in, showing our community that we are LGBTQIA+ members and affirming allies as well as potentially drawing some new members in the future.

Thank you again to all the members who attended as well as those who were with us in spirit and made this such a wonderful day of social action. We are already looking forward to Pride 2024 and showing our LGBTQIA+ community who we are and who and what UUs stand for!