



## Weekly Announcements

Friday, July 18, 2025

[OPEN THE ATTACHMENT FOR ACTIVE LINKS]

Chalice Circle

### **“Against Authoritarianism”**

Rev. Rebecca Froom, presenter

Marie-Louise Jackson-Miller, facilitator

Sunday, July 20, 10:30 am, in-person

We live in challenging political times when power is being centralized, and ordinary people are increasingly vulnerable to dangerous policy changes. This Sunday we reflect on how we can resist this rising tide of authoritarianism.

Each summer, we gather in the parish hall on Sunday mornings for the Chalice Circles in lieu of worship. Chalice Circles are a form of small group ministry, which invites deep listening, reflection, and sharing on a thoughtful topic. Each Sunday, a congregant leads that week's Chalice Circle, presenting the topic for reflection and discussion. The presenter is paired with a facilitator from our Chalice Circle leadership team. Chalice Circles run from June 22–September 7. Childcare is available.

### **“Celebration of Life Service for Jamie Grassmann”**

Sunday, August 3, 2:00 pm, in-person

On June 4<sup>th</sup>, we lost our beloved Jamie Grassmann to cancer. All are invited to gather in a loving community to remember and celebrate Jamie's life. A reception will follow. In lieu of flowers, contributions can be made to The Trevor Project at <https://www.thetrevorproject.org>.

### **Poetry Group**

Tuesday, August 12, 7:00 pm, in-person

The Poetry Group meets on the second Tuesday of each month in-person from 7:00 - 8:30 pm in the parish hall. Bring a poem or two you would like to share with the group. Each participant has an opportunity to read their poem out loud. It can be a poem by someone else or one you wrote. Then, in turn the members discuss their thoughts on it. Contact Albert Vaughn at [vaughn.albert@icloud.com](mailto:vaughn.albert@icloud.com).

### **Kindred Spirits Discussion Group for Seniors**

Tuesday, August 19, 10:30 am–12:00 pm, in-person

Join us for a monthly discussion group, grounded in our UU values, where we reflect on current events and pressing social issues. Kindred Spirits is open to seniors aged 60+ and will meet on the third Tuesday of the month at our church. We will meet in the parish hall. Coffee and tea are provided. Please contact Rev. Rebecca Froom at [rev.rebecca.froom@gmail.com](mailto:rev.rebecca.froom@gmail.com) or 617-803-1159.

## **Book Group Schedule 2025-2026**

The Book Group meets on the first Thursday of the month from 7:00 to 8:30 pm, with a gap in summer and in December. All members and friends are welcome to join us. We will conduct our meetings via Zoom. Each year, we choose a variety of genres and forms. You are welcome to come even if you have not finished the book. For more information visit: [www.ufpc.org/book-group](http://www.ufpc.org/book-group).

September 4:

The Count of Monte Cristo – Alexandre Dumas

October 2:

Isaac's Storm: A Man, a Time, and the Deadliest Hurricane in History – Erik Larson

November 6:

The Great Gatsby – F. Scott Fitzgerald

January 1:

No Ordinary Time: Franklin and Eleanor Roosevelt: The Home Front in World War II – Doris Kearns Goodwin

February 5:

The Hare with the Amber Eyes: A Hidden Inheritance – Edmund de Waal

March 5:

Walk Like a Girl – Prabal Gurung

April 2:

The Egyptian – Mika Waltari

May 7:

Faster than Light: How Your Shadow Can Do It, but You Can't – Robert J. Nemiroff

June 4:

The Frozen River – Ariel Lawhon

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Summer Office Hours: Tuesday, Thursday and Friday 8:00 am–1:00 pm or by appointment.