



Weekly Announcements

Sunday, May 30, 2021

Worship Service
“Storylines are Lifelines”
Rev. Rebecca Froom
Sunday, May 30, 10:30 am, on Zoom

The stories we inherit from our ancestors become part of who we are. This Sunday we reflect on the role of storytelling in how we understand ourselves and the possibilities for who we can be - as individually and as a community.

Join by computer: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86170075449>

Join by telephone: 1-646-558-8656, Meeting ID: 861 7007 5449

[Summer Office Hours starting June 1: Tuesday–Friday 8:00 am–12:00 pm or by appointment.]

StandOut Quincy 4 Black Lives
Thursdays, 3:30–5:30 pm, church front steps

UFPC is partnering with Quincy for Transformative Change for an initiative in support of Black Lives Matter. We meet on the church front steps weekly to bear peaceful witness and to advocate for justice and equity for our fellow citizens of color. You are invited to join our small but dedicated group. Kindly direct your questions to me at my cell 617-272-0274 or artclaire@comcast.net. Thank you, Claire Fitzmaurice.

Fledgling Tales: UFPC Storytime
Thursday, June 3 and 17, 7:00–7:30 pm, on Zoom

Every first and third Thursday at 7:00 pm—cozy up in your jammies, with your favorite stuffed animal, blanket and caring adult and join DRE Joan McDonald for a time of ritual and sharing for preschool and elementary school age children. We will share a chalice lighting, Joan will read a story, everyone will check in and a family or guest will share a favorite story. What is better than a couple of stories shared in community?

For everyone’s safety a Zoom link will be emailed to our UFPC families weekly and new families may sign up to receive the link. Contact Joan at dre@ufpc.org.

Book Group
Thursday, June 3, 7:00–8:30 pm, on Zoom

The UFPC Book Group meets on the first Thursday of every month from 7:00 to 8:30 pm, with a gap in summer and in December. All members and friends of UFPC are welcome to join us. We will meet on Zoom during the pandemic. We try to select a balance of styles, and this year we ended up with 4 non-fiction works and 5 works of fiction. You are welcome to come if you have not quite finished the book. Over the years we have had some practice at avoiding spoilers and it is always fun to have new voices.

The Book Group will not be discussing *Snow* as previously planned this Thursday. Instead, participants may read any essay by Ralph Waldo Emerson in honor of Bob Brainerd for the meeting. The group will also decide the books to read for the next church year.

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Protest Safety and Marshaling Training

Friday, June 4, 7:00–8:30, on Zoom

Protest safety is critical to creating alternatives to policing. This 90 min Zoom training sponsored by Quincy for Transformative Change and UU MAass Action aims to support actions in creating greater safety practices around the presence of police and agitators. This training will address common protest safety practices in Eastern Mass, the ways that our personal histories with police, white supremacists and trauma may impact our ability to do protest safety, as well as how our perceived race, perceived gender or other perceived attributes impacts how we each do protest safety. For more information contact Rev. Rebecca at rev.rebecca.froom@gmail.com. Register at https://zoom.us/meeting/register/tJIodeuvqjwHtHNxPNzS8rJIWlp_BP9QwgcXy.

Worship Service

“Eleven Colors of Pride”

Rev. Rebecca Froom

Sunday, June 6, 10:30 am, on Zoom

At the start of Pride Month, we reflect on the meaning of the Progress Pride flag, designed in 2018 by Daniel Quasar, and how the movements for LGBTIQ+ (Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender, Interfaith, Queer, plus) equality are intertwined with other movements for liberation, equity, and inclusion.

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QPride Festival

Sunday, June 6, 12:00–4:00 pm, Pageant Field

Join our UFPC and Quincy community to celebrate Pride! QPride will have fun for the whole family. The event will include an interfaith opening, guest speakers, drag performances, food and beer vendors, local and LGBTQ vendors, Prideful puppy contest, puppeteer story time, DJs and more. You can find more information at <https://www.qprideday.com>. We hope to have a UFPC table at QPride and if so, we will be looking for volunteers to staff the table. More details to follow.

Children’s Chapel

Thursday, June 10 and 24, church website

DRE Joan McDonald posts a new children’s chapel video for our preschool to early elementary age children on the second and fourth Thursday of the month. The video is posted on the Religious Education page on our website: <https://ufpc.org/religious-education>.

Virtual General Assembly

Wednesday, June 23–Sunday, June 27

This year the annual General Assembly (GA) of the Unitarian Universalist Association (UUA) will be happening online and all UUs are welcome to attend. The Wednesday - Sunday event includes workshops, worship services, a Ware Lecture from Stacey Abrams, and the General Sessions (business meetings) of the UUA. Registration is

\$200 and includes online access to most of the programs following GA, so even if your schedule doesn't allow you to attend GA live, you can still participate after the fact. Some events, such as the Sunday morning worship service are open to the general public free of charge. If you are hoping to attend GA, please let Rev. Rebecca know so UFPC can participate in GA as a team when appropriate. Scholarships for Rev. Rebecca to request a scholarship. You can learn more about General Assembly and register at www.uua.org/ga. or the full \$200 registration fee are also available through the Ministerial Discretionary Fund; please contact Rev. Rebecca to request a scholarship. You can learn more about General Assembly and register at www.uua.org/ga.

Chalice Lighters Wanted

Rev. Rebecca and I would like to invite members and friends to volunteer to read a chalice lighting during our Sunday services. The theme for April is Becoming. Please let Joan McDonald know if you are interested at dre@ufpc.org.

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