



Weekly Announcements

Sunday, January 9, 2022

Sunday Morning Meditation

Sundays, 9:00 am, in-person

We will have meditation on Sunday mornings at 9:00 am outside in the garden, weather permitting, and in the church parlor (with masks) when it rains or snows. Our practice includes guided, walking, and silent meditation. Feel free to contact Marie-Louise at marieljm1961@yahoo.com or 857-526-2579.

Worship Service

“The Practice of Wintering”

Rev. Rebecca Froom

Sunday, January 9, 10:30 am in-person and livestream

Winter can be a time of hardship and wonder. Drawing on writer Katherine May’s idea of “Wintering,” we reflect on how we can accept and embrace the stark and beautiful season of winter – in nature and in our lives.

NOTE: Beginning January 9th we will no longer be serving food or beverages during Sunday social hour or other church events for the duration of this covid surge. Please join us for connection and conversation following the service even without the small joy of coffee, tea and cookies.

Join by computer: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85369171483>

Join by telephone: 1-646-558-8656, Webinar ID: 853 6917 1483

Joys and Sorrows

If you have a joy or sorrow to share this Sunday and will not be with us in the sanctuary during worship, please email your joy or sorrow to Rev. Rebecca at rev.rebecca.froom@gmail.com.

This Week in Religious Education

Children’s Programming at 10:30 am. Children will begin in worship and then we will go downstairs to the dining room which now has a new air filtration system.

Stewardship Committee Meeting

Sunday, January 9, 12:15 pm, in-person and on Zoom

The Stewardship committee will have its first meeting on Sunday, January 9 at 12:15 pm in the parlor and by Zoom. Please consider joining our small but enthusiastic group! We have some interesting ideas for the spring pledge drive and would welcome additional input. Contact Kim Dangora with any questions at 508-472-9754 or aimee222@comcast.net.

Join by computer:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84080388646?pwd=QVUrUINoboNZNU13VkJQTUFXUnhsZz09>

Join by telephone:

1-646-558-8656, Meeting ID: 840 8038 8646, Passcode: 386254

StandOut Quincy 4 Black Lives

Thursdays, 2:30–4:30 pm, in-person

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, January 13 and 27, 7:00 pm, on Zoom

A Zoom story half hour will be on the second and Thursday of the month at 7:00 pm. Cozy up in your jammies, with your favorite stuffed animal, blanket and caring adult and join us for a time of ritual and sharing for preschool and elementary school age children. We will share a chalice lighting, we will read a story, everyone will check in and a family or guest will share a favorite story.

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Worship Service

“Beloved Community”

Rev. Rebecca Froom

Sunday, January 16, in-person and livestream

This MLK weekend we reflect on Dr. King’s vision of the Beloved Community and how our Unitarian Universalist tradition is called to act on this philosophy. We begin to reflect on the proposed 8th Principle of Unitarian Universalism: “We, the member congregations of the Unitarian Universalist Association, covenant to affirm and promote: journeying toward spiritual wholeness by working to build a diverse multicultural Beloved Community by our actions that accountably dismantle racism and other oppressions in ourselves and our institutions.”

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Kindred Spirits Discussion Group for Seniors

Wednesday, February 2, 10:00–11:30 am, on Zoom

Join Rev. Rebecca for a monthly discussion group, grounded in our UU values, where we reflect on current events and pressing social issues. This group is open to seniors age 60+ and will meet on the first Wednesday of the month. The group will meet on Zoom in January due to the increase in the spread of the coronavirus. Please contact Rev. Rebecca with any questions at rev.rebecca.froom@gmail.com or 617-803-1159.

Join by computer: <https://uso2web.zoom.us/j/88568994848>

Join by telephone: 1-646-558-8656, Meeting ID: 885 6899 4848

Book Group

Thursday, February 3, 7:00 pm, in-person and 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 in-person in the parish hall or you may join us on Zoom. We try to select a balance of styles. You are welcome to come even if you have

not 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 this month is *Pride and Prejudice* by Jane Austen, a romantic novel published anonymously in three volumes in 1813. A classic of English literature, written with incisive wit and superb character delineation, it centers on the burgeoning relationship between Elizabeth Bennet, the daughter of a country gentleman, and Fitzwilliam Darcy, a rich aristocratic landowner. Upon publication, *Pride and Prejudice* was well received by critics and readers. The first edition sold out within the first year, and it never went out of print.

Join by computer: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89427298331>

Join by telephone: 1-646-558-8656, Meeting ID: 894 2729 8331

Writing Group

Sunday, February 6, 12:00 pm, in-person

Our UFPC Writing Group will be meeting again this year. We will meet the first Sunday of the month in-person in the parlor at 12:00 pm. As in past years, we welcome everyone to join us in a free writing session and optional sharing of our words that pursue thinking on a theme. This is a non-critiqued, open minded, generous group that encourages self-expression in a supportive gathering. You can attend one or more sessions. No advance reservation is required. Groups tend to vary in size between 6 and 14 participants, and the session lasts for 45 minutes to 1 hour. If you have any questions, do not hesitate to contact facilitator Jim Petosa at jimjamespeto@aol.com or by phone at 301-442-3781.

Collection for Father Bill's and MainSpring

Throughout the winter, the Social Justice Action Committee will be collecting items for [Father Bill's and MainSpring](#). Baskets will be placed on the stage in the parlor and we are asking members and friends to frequently contribute items to help individuals and families in our community. Our neighbors in shelters and temporary housing with Father Bill's and MainSpring are in need of the following *New* items:

- Toiletries (examples: razors, feminine care products, deodorant)
- Clothing and more (examples: warm clothing, boots, backpacks, but no socks at this time)
- Linens (sheets, blankets, towels)
- Kitchen and cleaning supplies (dishes, utensils, pots/pans, paper and cleaning products)
- Baby products (diapers, pull-ups, wipes)
- Gift cards (grocery, gas, T, Walmart, Target – please give to a SJAC member)

Please contribute as often as you can! We are hoping to make MANY deliveries this winter. You may also view /shop FBMS wishlist at tinyurl.com/amazonfbms. Many Thanks!

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Friday 8:00 am–4:00 pm.