



Weekly Announcements

Sunday, November 20, 2022

Worship Service

“Dignity for All”

Rev. Rebecca Froom, Nan Moore and McKayla Hoffman
Sunday, November 20, 10:30 am, in-person and livestream

This Sunday we gather for our annual multigenerational Thanksgiving service, with music performed by Jagan Nath Khalsa on violin, Holly Wielsma on cello and Norman Corey on piano and organ. Our Unitarian Universalist principles call us to affirm the “inherent worth and dignity of every person.” Through the joys and sorrows of life there are times when we all receive and give care. In this service we reflect on the importance of caring for one another with compassion and dignity - as individuals and as a society.

Join by computer: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82251479714>

Join by telephone: 1-646-558-8656, Meeting ID: 822 5147 9714

Spirit Circle

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

This Sunday is a multigenerational worship experience and there are no Spirit Circle instruction classes. Families enter the sanctuary together and following the message for all ages the smallest children will go to the Nursery with Leila and Vivian for a time of play.

Following the worship service on Sunday, November 20th the youth group age teens will be putting together packets of donations for the clients at Interfaith Social Services with Nan Moore and Marie-Louise Jackson-Miller. UFPC will continue collecting goods up until November 28th.

Greeter and Usher Orientation

Sunday, November 20, 12:15–1:30 pm, in-person

The Worship Committee and Rev. Rebecca invite you to an orientation in the Sanctuary to understand the role and purpose of our Sunday morning Greeters and Ushers. Our Greeters and Ushers volunteer from around 10:00 am - 12:00 pm, creating a meaningful and welcoming worship service setting - especially for our visitors and newcomers. This orientation is for our current ushers and greeters and those interested in learning more about this volunteer opportunity. Hearty snacks will be provided for participants during social hour. For more information or to RSVP, please contact Rev. Rebecca at rev.rebecca.froom@gmail.com.

Standout Quincy for Black Lives

Thursdays, 3:00–5:00 pm, in-person

UFPC partners with Quincy for Transformative Change for an initiative in support of Black Lives Matter. We stand out front of the church 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 contact Claire Fitzmaurice at 617-272-0274 or artclaire@comcast.net.

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. Our practice includes guided, walking, and silent meditation. Feel free to contact Marie-Louise at marieljm1961@yahoo.com or 857-526-2579.

Church Choir

Sundays, 9:30–10:00 am, in-person

The choir welcomes new members! This year, instead of anthems, we are working on hymns to support congregational singing, particularly hymns that are unfamiliar or less familiar. And rehearsals are half an hour, rather than 45 minutes—from 9:30 to 10:00 am every Sunday. Talk to Norman or a choir member, or just show up. Thank you.

Worship Service

“Gathering Mercy”

McKayla Hoffman

Sunday, November 27, 10:30 am, in-person and livestream

Amidst the joy in this season of gathering, days like Thanksgiving can be complicated for ourselves and our loved ones. While we reckon with challenging memories and family systems, where can we locate a sense of dignity, mercy, and even redemption? This morning, we will explore what mercy can mean for Unitarian Universalists, and how faith communities can help us make meaning and find redemption.

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Christmas Parade Watch Gathering

Sunday, November 27, 12:00–3:00 pm, in-person

UFPC members and friends are invited to watch the Quincy Christmas Parade from the steps underneath our rainbow flag. We will also be serving hot chocolate, hot cider and cookies to the community. If you are interested in volunteering, let's meet together this Sunday, November 20th at our social hour in the Parish Hall. Congregational Life will have a table set up for conversation and sign-ups. Thank you. –Marie-Louise Jackson-Miller, 857-526-2579, marieljm1961@yahoo.com

The Book Group does not meet in December.

Decorating the Sanctuary and Parish Hall

Saturday, December 3, 9:00 am–12:00 pm, in-person

Come Deck the Halls of UFPC in our Holiday finery! Please mark your calendars. Friends, members and our families come together to launch the Holiday Season. We will have tasks and simple crafts for Kids of All Ages. We will attempt a potluck breakfast using best practices. Hot coffee and beverages will be provided. Stop by as your schedule allows. We will be delighted to see and meet you. (Hint! If we have enough time, we can place Santa hats on the busts of John Adams and John Quincy Adams.) Thank you! –Claire Fitzmaurice (617) 272-0274 or artclaire@comcast.net.

Writing Group

Sunday, December 4, 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. There are no meetings in January or June. 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. Contact facilitator Jim Petosa at jimjamespeto@aol.com or 301-442-3781.

Kindred Spirits Discussion Group for Seniors

Friday, December 18, 10:00–11:30 am, in-person

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 aged 60+ and will meet on the third Friday of the month at our church in the parish hall. Coffee and tea are provided! Please contact Rev. Rebecca with any questions at rev.rebecca.froom@gmail.com or 617-803-1159. If you need to enter the building via the handicapped accessible entrance, please contact David Bousquin at 617-842-1706.

Interfaith Social Services (ISS) Donations

Please donate to ISS during the month of NOVEMBER and beyond. These are the main items needed by ISS: **toothpaste, toothbrushes, soap, dish soap, toilet paper, deodorant, dental floss, disposable diapers size 4, 5, 6 and adult incontinence underwear.** Your generosity is appreciated. Donations can be left in the Parish Hall or the entrance to the sanctuary. There will be major collection during our Thanksgiving service on November 20th.

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