

In our historic building, sometimes on warm days the finish on the pews may stain clothing. We are researching creative solutions and apologize for the inconvenience.

Worship Service "On Our Doorstep"

Sunday, May 29, 10:30 am, in-person and livestream Claire Fitzmaurice, Mimi Balsamo, and members of Quincy Standout for Black Lives

On Thursday afternoons members of our congregation and community gather on our portico steps for a weekly Standout for Black Lives; regularly calling our community's moral attention to the realities of racism. In this Sunday's service, participants from the Standout share their reflections on the importance of showing up to respond to the injustices of racism on our doorsteps, and how participating in such actions can deepen a person's commitment to social justice.

Join by computer: https://uso2web.zoom.us/j/82251479714
Join by telephone: 1-646-558-8656, Meeting ID: 822 5147 9714

This Week in Religious Education

Children's Programming is at 10:30 am. Children will begin in worship and then gather outside or in the parish hall. Our Church School program is led by Rebecca Morris and members of the congregation.

Pride Month Opening Ceremony

Wednesday, June 1, 6:30 pm, in-person

QPride and United First Parish Church invite the Quincy community to gather at the front of our church on the first day of LGBTQI+ Pride Month for the unveiling and blessing of the rainbow flag that will hang from the center of our portico for the month of June. This ceremony will include music from the Quincy Choral Society. Visit their website: https://guincypride.com/gpride-day/ for more information.

Standout Quincy for Black Lives

Thursdays, 3:30-5:30 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.

Book Group

Thursday, June 2, 7:00 pm, on Zoom

The UFPC Book Group meets on the first Thursday of every month [currently on Zoom] 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 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.

First published in 1970, *Bury My Heart at Wounded Knee* generated shockwaves with its frank and heartbreaking depiction of the systematic annihilation of American Indian tribes across the western frontier. In this nonfiction account, Dee Brown focuses on the betrayals, battles, and massacres suffered by American Indians between 1860 and 1890. He tells of the many tribes and their renowned chiefs—from Geronimo to Red Cloud, Sitting Bull to Crazy Horse—who struggled to combat the destruction of their people and culture. Forcefully written and meticulously researched, this book inspired a generation to take a second look at how the West was won.

Join by computer: https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89427298331
Join by telephone: 1-646-558-8656, Meeting ID: 894 2729 8331

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.

QPride Festival

Sunday, June 5, 12:00-5:00 pm, Pageant Field

Gather with your neighbors from the greater Quincy community for Quincy's annual Pride Day Festival, a celebration of our families, our diversity, and our community. The afternoon includes guest speakers, drag performances, Midtown Horns Band, food and beer vendors, puppeteer story time, DJ, and LGBTQ and local vendors. UFPC will have a tent and we welcome you to stop by and say hello! If you are able to spend an hour or two staffing our table, please let Rev. Rebecca know at rev.rebecca.froom@gmail.com Learn more about QPride at quincypride.com.

Kindred Spirits Discussion Group for Seniors

Tuesday, June 7, 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 age 60+ and meets in the parish hall on the first Tuesday of the month. Please contact Rev. Rebecca at rev.rebecca.froom@gmail.com or 617-803-1159.

Fledgling Tales: UFPC Storytime

Thursday, June 9 and 23, 7:00 pm, on Zoom

A Zoom story half hour will be on the second and fourth Thursday of the month at 7:00 pm. Religious Education Committee member Albert Vaughn will be the host. 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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Ordination of Alison Jablonsky

Sunday, June 12, 3:00 pm Arlington Street Church in Boston and online

You are invited to celebrate the ministry of Alison Jablonsky in a service of ordination! Ali served as our Director of Religious Education from 2014-2017 while she was a student at Harvard Divinity School, and we served as her "congregational sponsor" during her ministerial fellowshipping process. Details and covid safety requirements about in-person attendance will be forthcoming by email. The service can be viewed online at https://www.ascboston.org.

Chalice Circles

Sundays, June 26-September 4, 10:30 am

Each summer we gather on Sunday mornings for Chalice Circles rather than 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 "host" from our Chalice Circle leadership team. This year the Worship Committee is surveying the congregation on people's availability and preferences to participate in Chalice Circles online OR in person. Please complete this online survey https://forms.gle/maMAyw5EmyasA7ZJA by Monday, June 6th.

UFPC Gardeners

The UFPC Gardeners are ready to get back outside now that our springery weather is passing. We do need volunteers and <u>welcome</u> folks with little or no experience. We are happy to meet you and share our garden "wisdom". Schedule to TBD. Please contact Claire Fitzmaurice, garden coordinator at 617-272-0274 or <u>artclaire@comcast.net</u>. Thank you.

Medical Supplies for Ukraine Forward

"Ukraine Forward" is a Boston-based nonprofit composed of Ukrainian and non-Ukrainian activists who are on a mission to provide urgent, life-saving resources to Ukrainian hospitals and field medics. UFPC and other houses of worship are collecting medical supplies that we will sort, organize, and send to our partners in Ukraine. There is a donation box in the parish hall. Visit their website: https://www.ukraineforward.org/ for more information and to donate money to the cause.

Priority Medical Supplies:

- <u>Tourniquets</u> (CAT, SAM, SOF only)
- Bleed stop
- Rapid Gauze (Celox, Quikclot)
- Occlusive Chest Seal
- Clotting Gauze
- First Care Bandage
- Tactical first aid kits
- Sterile Medical gloves (surgical grade)
- CPR Face Shield
- Decompression Kit
- Medical Scissors
- Intubation tubes
- Intravenous catheters (G18)
- Intraosseous catheters

Other Medical Supplies:

- Pain killers (ibuprofen, acetaminophen, etc.)
- Antibiotics
- Flu treatment and antiviral drugs
- Atropine
- Naloxone
- Aspirin
- Tranexamic Acid
- Hemostatic agents
- Vitamin C and D

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Office Hours: Monday, Tuesday, Thursday 8:00 am-12:00 pm or by appointment. Friday 8:00 am-4:00 pm.