



## **Weekly Announcements**

Sunday, June 1, 2025

Worship Service

### **“Milestones on the Journey”**

Rev. Rebecca Froom

Sunday, June 1, 10:30 am, in-person and livestream

In this service we reflect on the importance of acknowledging milestone moments of all kinds in our lives, relationships, families, and communities. Our service includes a Bridging Ceremony in honor of graduating senior Leila Schaareman, as well as a vow-renewal for two members of our congregation as they mark their 25<sup>th</sup> anniversary. The service will be followed by a very festive social hour.

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

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

### **Spirit Circle**

Sunday, June 1, 10:30 am, in-person

This week in Spirit Circle, Elizabeth will lead the final session of our Undivided Isle escape room, with the help of Marie-Louise. Nursery care will be available.

### **Writing Group**

Sunday, June 1, 12:00 pm, in-person

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 reservation is required. Groups tend to vary in size between 6 and 14 participants, and the session lasts for forty-five minutes to one hour. Our Writing Group usually meets in person on the first Sunday of the month in the parlor at 12:00 pm. There are no meetings in January or June. Contact facilitator Leslie Simpson at 617-448-9645.

### **Pride Month Flag Raising Kick Off**

Sunday, June 1, 6:00 pm, Hancock-Adams Common

In celebration of Pride Month, a coalition of Quincy civic organizations, including the City of Quincy LGBTQ+ Commission, Quincy Pride (QPride), Quincy Interfaith Network (QIN), United First Parish Church (Church of the Presidents), and PFLAG, Quincy Chapter will come together on June 1<sup>st</sup> at 6:00 pm on the steps of the church, to honor and uplift the LGBTQ+ community. The newly established “Flag Raisers” Award will be given to three local organizations: Boston Scientific, Quincy Access Television (QATV), and PFLAG, Quincy Chapter. The event will be followed by a reception inside the parish hall of the church.

### **Book Group**

Thursday, June 5, 7:00 pm, on Zoom

The book this month is “American Rambles: A Walk of Memory and Renewal” by Neil King. A stunning, revelatory memoir about a 330-mile walk from Washington, DC to New York City—an unforgettable pilgrimage to the heart of America across some of our oldest common ground. Determined to rediscover what matters in life and to see our national story with new eyes, King turned north with one mission in mind: To pay close attention to the land he crossed and the people he met.

Join by computer: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83582134326>

Join by telephone: 1-646-558-8656, Meeting ID: 835 8213 4326

### **“Flow” Film Screening**

Saturday, June 7, 5:30–7:15 pm, in-person

On Saturday, June 7 at 5:30 pm in the parish hall, we will have a free screening of the film “Flow.” It is the recipient of the 2025 Oscar for Best Animated Picture for 2025. Summarized as a fable “pairing a drama aesthetic with a peaceful, yet post-apocalyptic spirit”, the film is about an expressive cat and other animals attempting to survive a catastrophic flood. There is no dialogue. The Latvian-produced film is listed in the UUA Soul Matters materials for Imagination. Every church member I have talked to who has seen the film gives it a smile and a thumbs up. Snacks will be provided. Bring your own food. Childcare will be provided. Contact Vivian Borek for more information at [borekviv@gmail.com](mailto:borekviv@gmail.com).

### **Quincy Pride Festival**

Sunday, June 8, 12:00–5:00 pm, Pageant Field

Now more than ever, we must celebrate EVERY member of our community. Local and LGBTQ+ vendors, music, performances, activities for kids, food trucks, and more. UFPC will be supporting the Quincy Interfaith Network tent. Contact Rev. Rebecca Froom or Marie-Louise Jackson-Miller if you are interested in volunteering at the QIN tent.

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

Tuesday, June 10, 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. This group is open to seniors aged 60+. Coffee and tea are provided. NOTE, this gathering is on the SECOND Tuesday (our usual meeting time is the third Tuesday). Please contact Rev. Rebecca Froom at [rev.rebecca.froom@gmail.com](mailto:rev.rebecca.froom@gmail.com) or 617-803-1159 for more information.

### **Poetry Group**

Tuesday, June 10, 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. Then in turn, the members discuss their thoughts on it. Contact Albert Vaughn at [vaughn.albert@icloud.com](mailto:vaughn.albert@icloud.com).

### **Potluck Picnic**

Sunday, June 15, 11:45 am, in-person

As we end the church year, please join us for a potluck picnic in the church garden (weather permitting) following worship service on Sunday, June 15. There will be a signup table in the Parish Hall. Desserts, salads and sides, or main dishes are all appreciated. Contact Marie-Louise Jackson-Miller at [mariejlm1961@yahoo.com](mailto:mariejlm1961@yahoo.com).

### **Chalice Circles**

Sunday, June 22–September 7, 10:30 am, in-person

Each summer, we gather in the parish hall on Sunday mornings for 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.

### **Turn in Your Pledge Forms**

In this year's stewardship campaign, we reflected on the financial future of our congregation and what we find meaningful about our congregation through the theme "Sharing the Good News of UFPC." You can still turn in your Pledge Intention Form (for July 2025–June 2026) by putting your form in the Stewardship Box in the church office or mailing it to the church at the below address.

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