



Weekly Announcements

Thursday, June 26, 2025

[OPEN THE ATTACHMENT FOR ACTIVE LINKS]

Chalice Circle: “Serendipity”

Vivian Borek, presenter

Sunday, June 29, 10:30 am–12:00 pm, in-person

The first Chalice Circle of this summer will explore the notion of “Serendipity.” Led by UFPC member and independent France explorer Vivian Borek, MA. The discussion will focus on those unexpected, positive, and perhaps spiritual experiences with “serendipity” we have had, in contrast with “luck” and “fate.” The Circle will be held this Sunday in the Parish Hall. If temperatures run high, the session may be moved to the basement level. Childcare is available.

Below is the list of topics and presenters for the Chalice Circles this summer. If you would like to present a topic on July 20 or August 10, please email Albert Vaughn at vaughn.albert@icloud.com.

July 6–Love at the Center–Rev. Rebecca Froom

July 13–Art and Mental Health–Shirley Willett and Katie Sharit

July 20–Open–TBD

July 27–Belonging–Nicole Smith

August 3–Revolution of Tenderness–Albert Vaughn

August 10–Peace–TBD

August 17–Singing– Sharon Gamache and Nate Scafe

August 24–James Baldwin–Chris Jackson

August 31– Renaissance–Albert Vaughn

“Jefferson and Adams: A Stage Play”

Friday, July 4, 3:00 pm, in-person

Adams National Historical Park and the United First Parish Church will be hosting the Jefferson and Adams play. Please join us from 3:00 pm to 5:00 pm for the performance. This play, written by Howard Ginsburg, tells the story of the turbulent 52-year friendship between Thomas Jefferson and John Adams and covers such highlights as their work on the Declaration of Independence. The show stars Bill Barker as Thomas Jefferson, Sam Goodyear as John Adams, and Abigail Schumann as Abigail Adams. This event is free to the public and does not require a ticket.

Poetry Group

Tuesday, July 8, 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. It can be a poem by someone else or one you wrote. Then, in turn the members discuss their thoughts on it. Contact Albert Vaughn at vaughn.albert@icloud.com.

John Quincy Adams Wreath Laying Ceremony

Friday, July 11, 12:00 pm, in-person

United First Parish Church will hold our annual Presidential Wreath Laying Ceremony on the occasion of President Adams' 258th birthday. The Quincy Navy Reserve Center will present a wreath on behalf of the White House. The Quincy Choral Society will perform. Speakers include Alexandra Elliott from Quincy Historical Society, Alison Doucette on behalf of the Adams family, and Mayor Thomas Koch, as well as Marie-Louise Jackson-Miller, UFPC President, and Rev. Rebecca Froom.

Kindred Spirits Discussion Group for Seniors

Tuesday, July 15, 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. The gathering is on the third Tuesday of the month. Please contact Rev. Rebecca Froom at rev.rebecca.froom@gmail.com or 617-803-1159 for more information.

“Celebration of Life Service for Jamie Grassmann”

Sunday, August 3, 2:00 pm, in-person

On June 4th, we lost our beloved Jamie Grassmann to cancer. All are invited to gather in a loving community to remember and celebrate Jamie's life. A reception will follow. In lieu of flowers, contributions can be made to The Trevor Project at <https://www.thetrevorproject.org>.

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