



# Chalice Chat

Sunday News from the Harvard Unitarian Universalist Church  
February 7th 2016

## **SHARING OUR PLATE: February Partner Church** Please make checks out to “*HUUC*” with “**Partner Church Council**” in the memo line.

In far off Andrásfalva, Romania, Harvard has had a partner church relationship for the last 23 years. Our partner church building in Andrásfalva, built with our financial assistance, was started in 95 and dedicated in 99. The building is shared with the Calvinists of the town. Unitarian services are held there one week out of four. The people of the Transylvanian plateau are mainly farmers, cowherds, and shepherds with an occasional teacher, charcoal maker, museum director, and minister included. Our donations will continue to help them make needed repairs and maintenance to keep their house of worship a welcoming place.

## **This Week's Service Feb. 7, 10:00 a.m.** *"Seasons of Hope"*

*Rev. J. Mark Worth*

In the midst of winter snow and darkness, we have entered into a presidential election year. Our endless election campaigns and partisan rancor can cause us to lose hope. It's easy to lose hope, or swing between euphoria and despair. How do we find balance and perspective?

## **Next Week's Service Feb. 14, 10:00 a.m.** *"Love Your Enemies"*

*Rev. J. Mark Worth*

On Valentine's Day we will be talking about love, but not romantic love. Buddhist authors Sharon Salzberg and Robert Thurman have written from a Buddhist point-of-view about Jesus' command that we love our enemies. We really have two kinds of enemies, they say: our outer enemies, those other people who would harm us – and an inner enemy, our own anger, hatred, fears, and other destructive impulses.

## **YOUTH FAITH FORMATION PROGRAMS**

### **February 7th**

*Nursery opens at 9:45; all other children begin in the Fellowship Building.*

**Butterfly Garden** (PreK-1<sup>st</sup>): Loaves & Fishes Valentine Bags

**Rock Garden** (2<sup>nd</sup>-4<sup>th</sup> Gr): Loaves & Fishes Valentine Bags

**Cosmix** (5<sup>th</sup>-6<sup>th</sup> Gr): Virtues Video: Selflessness

### **Building Bridges** (7<sup>th</sup>-9<sup>th</sup> Gr): **Sat. Feb. 6:**

Visit to Holy Trinity for Saturday Evening Vigil, leaving Fellowship Building at 4:30 p.m., returning for re-cap and pizza after.

(See more Faith Formation on next page.)

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**



### ***AUCTION ALERT !!***

***DO contribute. DON'T delay.***

***Share*** your talents or your labor!  
***Offer*** dinner or tickets for an event;  
***Create*** an adventure for the kids;  
***Surprise*** with an indulgent get-away;  
***Give*** a themed basket for our raffle;  
***Dream*** up something unexpected;  
***Excite*** every eager bidder!!!

**This is a church-wide effort, SO ...**  
***Get involved!***

**Be creative, collaborate with friends,**  
**harness your family's**  
**energy!**

**On The Wing** is gearing up for our February care package for Harvard UU young adults. We plan to send seventeen HUUC youth group graduates care packages to include our church mug, dried fruits and candies, hopefully to arrive around Valentine's Day. Included will be a group card from our congregation, so please join in and send messages to our youth. ... Check the foyer before and after service today for a display with cards and pens. Send your news, well wishes, or if you're shy, just sign your name!



### **JOIN OUR YOUTH IN AUCTION DAY CRAFTS**

On Sunday, February 28, our children and youth will be crafting and cooking all kinds of goods for the March 5 Annual UU Auction! If you would like to do some crafting with the kids or help out in the classrooms, please contact a member of the Faith Formation Team, or email [dff@uuharvard.org](mailto:dff@uuharvard.org).

### **COSMIX SEEK VOLUNTEERS!**

Additional adults are always needed to help with the program for our 5th-6th grade group, the Cosmix. One way to get involved with the Cosmix is to tell your story for the Story Corps oral history project the kids are doing on the subject of Faith. Contact [marvil@charter.net](mailto:marvil@charter.net) or [lvilain@hotmail.com](mailto:lvilain@hotmail.com).

### **Potluck Hungarian Brunch 14 February**

If you are worried what to bring just give Mister Google a ring. Then click "food Hungarian" It's easy when you're Unitarian The first third of the alphabet, bring entrees or bread the second third veggies, yellow, green or red, the last yummy desserts, we will all be well fed.

If you are averse to any of these just bring yourself and whatever you please!  
-Mary Donald

### **Social Justice Ministries Council:**

The *first* meeting of the Social Justice Ministries Council will take place on Sunday, February 21 at 11:45 (right after services). Location TBA. The goals of the new council are to help align the many social justice ministries and activists with each other, better pair our activism with the mission of the church, and to be a liaison to the community to address some of the pressing social issues of our time. All are welcome! Meck Groot, a specialist on social justice work from the UUA, will be our guest and will help this committee get off to a good start. For more information please contact Steve Farough ([farough.steve@gmail.com](mailto:farough.steve@gmail.com) or 617-650-4581).

### **CHURCH CALENDAR**

Sun. Feb. 7

Valentine's Donations due for L&F  
9:45 a.m. Nursery open  
10:00 a.m. Worship Service  
*"Seasons of Hope"*  
Rev. J. Mark Worth  
11:20-11:50 Jr. Choir  
11:30-12:30 Bargains open  
12:00-1:00 Chimers

Tue. Feb. 9

10-4 Bargains in the Belfry open

Thu. Feb. 11

7:15-9:15pm Board mtg.

Sun. Feb. 14

9:45 a.m. Nursery open  
10:00 a.m. Worship Service  
*"Love Your Enemies"*  
Rev. J. Mark Worth  
11:20-11:50 Jr. Choir  
11:30-1:00 SHYG  
11:30-1:30 All Church Pot Luck

Mon. Feb. 15

Admin Office Closed

**Pastel Classes and Workshops in the Fellowship Building** Award winning artist offering pastel classes at the Fellowship Building for beginners and returning students who want to acquire fundamental skills and new approaches to painting with pastels. For more information, please email [joelle.feldman@gmail.com](mailto:joelle.feldman@gmail.com).