



Chalice Chat

Sunday News from the Harvard Unitarian Universalist Church
February 21st 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. 21st, 10:00 a.m.

"Marching in the Arc of Justice"

Greg Greenway, a talented guitarist, a soulful singer, a powerful poet and a sparkling entertainer. His songs and their topics range widely although many of his songs include race and love as common themes. Greg's service will be musical but he will also preach about his experience at the Marching in the Arc of Justice Conference in Birmingham Alabama that took place March 2015.

Next Week's Service Feb. 28th 10:00 a.m.

"Spiritual, But Not Religious"

Rev. J. Mark Worth

What does it mean to be "spiritual" but "not religious"? Don't "spiritual" and "religious" mean pretty much the same thing? Don't both say something about a connection to a Higher Power of some kind, and have to do with rituals, practices, beliefs, and moral behaviors? Mark will give his view on whether we are one, the other, or perhaps both.

YOUTH FAITH FORMATION PROGRAMS

February 21st: School vacation – No Nursery/Faith Formation Programs.

Looking ahead to February 28th:

Nursery opens at 9:45; all other children begin in the Sanctuary.

Butterfly Garden (PreK-1st) & **Rock Garden** (2nd-4th): Prepare for Auction.

Cosmix (5th-6th): "All work and no play -- not a TED talk on work and play, some self-reflection and meditation, and then we'll play with our food (make auction items)."

Building Bridges (7th-9th): Deacon Court Shields visits.

SHYG (10th-12th): 11:30am: Spirituality, Service & Snacks.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

"BUILDING FELLOWSHIP!!"

It is this year's Auction theme and the spirit of HUUC!
But we need YOU to make it happen!

SO ATTENTION, please!

Sign-up and commit to the

Auction ABC's!

- ✓ I will **ATTEND!**
- ✓ I will **BRING** Appetizer, Entree or Dessert!
- ✓ I will **CHIP-IN** volunteering with chores!

GREEN reservation forms are in the church foyer, or sign-up online at: <http://uuharvard.org>

We're on a countdown to March 5th, and we are counting on you!

Be a part of "BUILDING FELLOWSHIP"!

One more reminder:

Drop off auction donations next Sunday, Feb 28, at the Fellowship Building, starting at 9:00 a.m.

Ministerial Search Committee Would you like to serve on the ministerial search committee? If you have not already spoken to a member of the board and expressed your interest, you can volunteer now by notifying any board member by March 4. There will be a special parish meeting on **Sunday, March 20**, during which we will vote from the slate of those who have volunteered. Per our by-laws, the seven receiving the highest number of votes will be elected to serve on the committee. The board will send the warrant and a slate for you to review the week prior to the meeting. Thank you all for your participation in this exciting process! - Tom Daniells, Kate Stamm, Ginger Kendall, William Kellogg, Paige O'Brien, and Steve Farough

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) in the Community Room, FB. 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 (email farough.steve@gmail.com or call [617-650-4581](tel:617-650-4581)).

Adult Education: **"Jesus and the Gospels (As They Never Taught Them in Sunday School)"** In two sessions, Sundays Feb. 28 and March 6, after church (about 11:30 to 1:00) somewhere in the Fellowship Building. Who wrote the Four Gospels? Are they eyewitness accounts? Did Jesus actually exist? What can we confidently say about him? Mark will try to answer these questions and others in this two-session follow-up to last Fall's popular class, "The Bible (As They Never Taught It in Sunday School.)" -Mark Worth

Bargains is open after church today, February 21. There are good sales going on, and lots of great items to choose from. Come on up! -Audrey Ball

Classical Guitar Concert February 28th 3:00 p.m. in our sanctuary The Music Committee is pleased to sponsor a fabulous classical guitar concert by Berit Strong and friends. Admission fee will be \$15.00 at the door. -Eleanor Toth

CHURCH CALENDAR

Sun. Feb. 21
 10:00 a.m. Worship Service
"Marching in the Arc of Justice"
 Greg Greenway
 11:30-12:30 Bargains open
11:45 Social Justice Ministries
 12:00-1:00 Chimers

Tue. Feb. 23
 10-4 Bargains in the Belfry open

Wed. Feb. 24
 7:00-9:00 p.m. Caring Network mtg

Thu. Feb. 25
 7:30 p.m. Choir

Sun. Feb. 28
 9:00 a.m. Chimers
 9:45 a.m. Nursery open
 10:00 a.m. Worship Service
"Spiritual, But Not Religious"
 Rev. J. Mark Worth
 11:20-11:50 a.m. Jr Choir
 11:30-1:30 Mark Worth's Class

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Elinor dutifully posted the invites,
 Directing, as to food delights,
 Mark said words re love's remarkable gains,
 Endorsed by John and Helen's beauteous refrains.
 Then we trooped to Elm Street for the
 partnership brunch
 Where Hungarian food was assembled for lunch.
 Kate's kids had done set up; Paige's team in
 the kitchen,
 From noodles to strudel efficiently switchin'
 Tulips for tables, carnations for altar,
 When it came to flowers, Pam F. didn't falter
 Eleanor's Angels sang Denes' grace
 And Jon Green put the AV place
 For Roger Mattlage's informative show
 Re Transylvanian history, to and fro.
 The hat got \$250 in American hay
 Which goes a lot further in Romanian Lei!
 -Mary Donald