



Chalice Chat

Sunday News from the Harvard Unitarian Universalist Church
March 27th 2016

SHARING OUR PLATE: March Building Resilience in Kids

In March, 50% of Sharing Our Plate donations will go to Building Resilience in Kids (BRİK). This year BRİK is offering a program at Martin Luther King School in Cambridge. In our Drums and Poems Program children “feel part of something,” and find their voices so they can speak up when they encounter bullying or racism. Most of our participants are children of color. Working together in groups, they learn to **help one another** as we say in our doxology.

-The Social Action Committee
Georgia Sassen, Chair. Pat Westwater-Jong,
Chris Ready, Iby Chiquoine, Nancy Reifenstein, Steve Farough

This Week's Service Mar. 27, 10:00a.m. "Celebrating Easter"

Rev. J. Mark Worth

We understand the religious meaning of Christmas -- Jesus was born. And we understand Good Friday -- he was killed. What do we UUs make of Easter? Mark will try to make sense of this highest Christian holy day (which is named for a Germanic Goddess, Eostre). This year there is only one Easter Sunday service, and it is multi-generational, followed by the traditional Easter Egg hunt at 11:00.

Next Week's Service Apr. 3, 10:00 a.m. At Home in the Universe"

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Margaret Fuller, the 19th century Unitarian, transcendentalist, and feminist author and editor, once proclaimed “I accept the universe!” And her contemporary, the Scottish essayist and philosopher Thomas Carlyle, responded sharply, “By gad, she’d better.” The late Rev. Forrest Church writes, “[Carlyle] was thinking of the universe as housing for our bodies; Fuller celebrated it as her soul’s true

residence. When our soul is at home in the universe, the universe makes its home in our soul.”

YOUTH FAITH FORMATION PROGRAMS

March 27th

Nursery opens at 9:45; all other children/youth in the Sanctuary.
Easter Egg Hunt and Easter Service

Looking ahead to April 3rd

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

Story for All Ages by SHYG and Rock Garden about the Walk for Hunger

Butterfly Garden (PreK-1st): "The Little Creek"

Rock Garden (2nd-4th): NC Wyeth: Art as a spiritual practice

Cosmix (5th-6th): Origins of the Universe: Constellations as mythology

Building Bridges (7th-9th): Social Action Sunday: Seder prep

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

Faith Formation Family Field Trip to Heifer Farm

All families are invited to join our field trip to [Heifer International](#) (Rutland, MA) on April 10th. Please send Lorrie (dff@uuharvard.org) your RSVP as soon as possible. It should be a fun family field trip and a continuation of our learning about families all around the world and their needs. More information [here](#).

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Easter Flowers may be picked up following the church service on Sunday, March 27.

We have posted the job for Director of Faith Formation on INDEED.com,

Idealist.org and with LREDA, and the UUA. I am asking you to spread the word. On our website is an explanation of who we are as a church and as a Faith Formation program
<http://uuharvard.org/FaithFormationSearchPacket>.

On Monday, March 28, in the main sanctuary of the church: Join us for an evening with Iyad Burnat, the leader of the town of Bil'in's non-violent struggle for survival in the occupied West Bank. He is the head of the Bil'in Popular Committee against the Wall, which has led weekly demonstrations since 2005 against the Israeli West Bank barrier. He is also head of Friends of Freedom and Justice in Bil'in, a pro-Palestinian organization with the stated aims of building a "wide network of people from all over the globe who support Freedom and Justice for all". Mr Burnat will give a presentation, followed by a question and answer session and discussion. Please bring open, inquiring minds to this, Mr. Burnat's only Massachusetts engagement. **Doors open at 7:00 and the talk start at 7:30.**

April 3, 2016 After the holidays, donations to Loaves and Fishes significantly decrease. If you are able, please help Loaves and Fishes clients by bringing in **canned fruit, jams and jellies for Sunday, April 3rd.** Loaves and Fishes will also welcome any other food or toiletry items that have not expired. You may leave your donation behind the name buttons in the foyer of the sanctuary. Thank you so much!

The Annual UU Family Passover Seder will be held on Friday, April 8, 2016 from 6:00pm-9:00pm in the Fellowship Building. Our seder is open to all members of our community, young and old alike. The Seder includes stories, music and a potluck dinner. Please bring a main dish, side dish or dessert – plan to bring enough to serve 8-10 persons. Come enjoy delicious matzoh ball soup (chicken and vegetarian) prepared by our Youth Group!
<https://www.eventbrite.com/e/harvard-uu->

family-seder-2016-tickets-22695243083 or [go to eventbrite.com](http://go.to/eventbrite.com) and search for Harvard UU Seder) or contact Ruth Silman 978-456-9115 or rsilman@nixonpeabody.com

Second Wind Dreams Would you like to get a firsthand experience in understanding what it feels like to have dementia? On Friday, April 1 Pam Reidy will be offering congregants a chance to experience the virtual dementia tour. Appointments are scheduled every 15 minutes between 1:45p.m. & 2:45p.m. Each appointment slot can accommodate two individuals. The tour takes about 30 minutes. This opportunity is offered only to members of the HUUC congregation. Please email or call Pam at pamreidy@aol.com or phone 508-757-0310. Appointments cannot be scheduled after March 30th.

CHURCH CALENDAR

Sun. Mar. 27

9:30 a.m. Jr. Choir with Ted

9:45 a.m. Nursery open

10:00 a.m. Worship Service

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Easter Egg Hunt

Mon. Mar. 28 Admin Office Closed

7:00 p.m. doors open, sanctuary

7:30 p.m. talk given by **Iyad Burnat from West Bank village of Bil'in**

Tue. Mar. 29

10-4 Bargains open

Sat. Apr. 2

Dinner, SHYG Auction Item

Sun. Apr. 3

Loaves & Fishes Collection

8:45 a.m. Chimers

10:00 a.m. Worship Service

"At Home in the Universe"

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10-11:30 Matzoh Ball Soup prep

11:30-1:00 SHYG

April 10th Sermon: "Dark Secrets." David Rynick www.davidrynick.com Followed by a workshop: **"The Secret To Happiness: Accepting What Is Already Here"**