



Chalice Chat

Sunday News from the Harvard Unitarian Universalist Church
November 22nd 2015

SHARING OUR PLATE: November
Our Father's House, a private, nonsectarian agency providing shelter and related services to homeless men and women, with facilities in Fitchburg and Devens. Its programs encourage and assist each guest to become self-sufficient. Professionally trained staff offer client advocacy, assistance in searching for housing and employment, crisis counseling, and referral to community resources. 50% of cash donations will go to our church and 50% to Our Father's House, **please make checks out to *Our Father's House***.

This Week's Service Nov. 22, 10:00 a.m.
"Inter-generational Thanksgiving"
Rev. Mark Worth, Marc Vilain and Britt Argow, with the Junior & Senior Choirs.

Next Week's Service Nov. 29, 10:00 a.m.
"Music Sunday"
The choir and Rev. J. Mark Worth
We are pleased to help usher in the upcoming holiday season with a special service on November 29. Our Choir and musicians will perform the Christmas Cantata by Daniel Pinkham. Professor Pinkham was a long time member of the faculty at New England Conservatory of Music and Music Director/Organist at Kings Chapel UU Church in Boston. The cantata is quite contemporary and our choir will be joined by a wonderful Brass Quartet and Organ. In addition to the Cantata, the brass group will join in accompanying several seasonal hymns -- which are always thrilling to sing, especially with brass and organ. If you have friends and family here for Thanksgiving, this service will be an excellent way to give thanks and welcome the Advent and or Holiday season. Don't miss this exciting service!
Thanks

YOUTH FAITH FORMATION PROGRAMS

November 22nd

Thanksgiving Worship in the Sanctuary -
Story for All Ages

Nursery: open at 9:45

Rock Garden is collecting items for the kids at Transitions – new stuffed animals, small games, DVDs, books, and craft supplies.

The Cosmix went apple-picking and donated 42 pounds of fresh-picked apples to Loaves & Fishes. They are also making delicious apple-goods to sell at the Fair Trade Faire to help fund a cow from Heifer Project.

The **Building Bridges Youth Group** will hold a bake sale at the Fair Trade Faire. Proceeds raised from the sales will support locally-placed refugees.

Senior High Youth Group will be participating in CityReach on November 20-21. The group will be spending the night in Boston, learning and working alongside members of the homeless community.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

TODAY! (Sunday Nov. 22) **Fair Trade Faire, 11 a.m. - 3 p.m., Fellowship Building** Shop your values at the 6th annual Fair Trade Faire hosted by the HUUC Women's Alliance and the Social Action Committee. Handbags, scarves, jewelry, coffee, tea, chocolate - something for everyone on your list! Everything is fairly sourced and supports artisan cooperatives in developing countries. Youth Group bake sale in support of locally placed refugees.

Help the Kids Buy a Cow The Cosmix (11 & 12 yr olds) have created deep-dish, gourmet apple crumbles—hot and frozen—to sell at the Fair Trade Faire Sunday, Nov. 22, after church in the Fellowship Building. Your purchase will help fund a cow from Heifer Project. Small tin \$5; large tin \$10. Please save your appetites, support our kids, and help a family in need become more self-sufficient.

Youth Group Bake Sale, 11/22, 11 a.m. - 3 p.m. While you're shopping at next Sunday's Fair Trade Faire, stop by the Building Bridges Youth Group Bake Sale. Proceeds raised from the sales will support locally-placed refugees. If you'd like to donate individually wrapped baked goods for BBYG to sell, please bring them to the Fellowship Building after 9 a.m on Sunday. Please contact bridges@uuharvard.org for more information.

Sunday Morning Volunteers There are still many slots to be filled this church year for Greeting, Ushering and Fellowship. Please visit the church's website (uuharvard.org) and click on the link for Sign-Up Genius.

The 2016 Grand Prix race is underway! Join the race to fuel the church's programs and build our future together!

We are now recording Sunday Services, available on our church Web page (UuHarvard.org). Pull down from "Other Information" to Sermons/Services. If you want **printed copy** call Elinor 456-8752. If you want to record a concert or event please plan to use your own 'thumb drive.' Thanks.

Holiday Food Collection for Loaves and Fishes – Sunday, December 6th On Monday, December 21st, Loaves & Fishes will hold its annual Holiday Dinner Distribution event. Families receive all of the fixings for their holiday celebrations complete with stuffing, gravy, pie, cranberry sauce, juice, fresh vegetables and even a turkey, chicken or ham. Each year,

we ask for your donations to help make this possible. For Sunday, December 6th, please bring in non-perishable holiday-related food, such as stuffing mix, gravy, broth, canned sliced pineapple, canned hams, ham glaze, nuts, fancy crackers, yams, coffee, tea, cocoa, and 100% juice and leave your donation in the Loaves and Fishes baskets in the church's foyer. Thank you so much! Questions? Please contact Risa Goldman at risajan@aol.com.

There are more and more attractive clothing items to be found upstairs at Bargains, as well as books and knick knacks. Shopping hours remain the same-- Tuesdays 10 am - 4 pm, and every 1st and 3rd Sunday after church. Also during those hours new items can be dropped off for consignment or donation. Special sales start Tuesday, November 24th--items marked with a green dot will be 10% off. We hope to see you up there!

-Audrey Ball

Save the Date for the UU Seder –
Friday, April 8, 2016 at 6pm

CHURCH CALENDAR

Sun. Nov. 22

9:45am Nursery open

10:00am Worship Service

Inter-generational Thanksgiving

Rev. Mark Worth, Marc Vilain and

Britt Argow

12:00-1:00 Chimers

11:00-3:00 **Fair Trade Faire**

Elinor's Admin Office Hours this week:

Mon. Nov. 23rd 9:00-Noon

Tue. Nov. 24th 10:00-3:00

Wed. Nov. 25th 9:00-Noon

Closed Thu. & Fri. Nov. 26 & 27

Sun. Nov. 29

9:45am Nursery open?

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