



Chalice Chat

Sunday News from the Harvard Unitarian Universalist Church
April 24th 2016

SHARING OUR PLATE: April **Sharing Our Plate – Growing Places**

Each week 50% of the plate cash contributions, plus checks made out to them, go to a designated charity. (The balance of the cash and checks made out to the church go to the church.) Growing Places Garden Project is a non-profit founded in Harvard which fights food insecurity in low-income households. GPGP donates gardens and provides support services to enable people to grow fresh vegetables, herbs and edible flowers for themselves and their loved ones. Our contributions will be used to fund materials for building those gardens. For more information, please call 978-598-3723 or visit <http://growingplaces.org/>

Please make checks out to GPGP.

This Week's Service Apr. 24, 10:00 a.m.

"Why Agnostics Go to Church"

Rev. J. Mark Worth

T. H. Huxley coined the term, "agnostic," in 1869. For Huxley agnosticism was as demanding as any moral, philosophical, or religious creed. He expressed this principle positively as: "Follow your reason as far as it will take you," and negatively as: "Do not pretend that conclusions are certain which are not demonstrated or demonstrable." (Hospitality in the Charlanne Van Wormer Community Room in the FB: Walk for Hunger Pep Rally)

Next Week's Service May 1, 10:00 a.m.

Rev. J. Mark Worth

"If I Had a Song"

Mark will be joined by the musical talents of Bill Cordner, Keith Myles, Ted Johnson, Britt Argow and Donalisa Johnson for a celebration of the life of the late singer, songwriter, and activist Pete Seeger, in words and music, on what would have been Pete's 97th birthday.

YOUTH FAITH FORMATION PROGRAMS

April 24th:

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

Butterfly Garden, Rock Garden & Cosmix: Spiritual Practice: Donnalisa - Sacred Drumming in FB/Sutherland Hall
Building Bridges & SHYG: 10am-12p: Social Action Sunday: Walk for Hunger Pep Rally; Hospitality after Service (FB Foyer/Community Room).

May 1st:

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

Walk for Hunger, Boston (Potluck for walkers, Fellowship Building)

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Walk for Hunger Pep Rally, Sunday, April 24, Coffee Hour. Join the Senior High and Building Bridges Youth Groups for hospitality in the Fellowship Building. Let's show our support for the Harvard Hunger Resistance Team!!

-Paige O'Brien

We have posted the job for Director of Faith Formation on INDEED.com, Idealist.org and with LREDA, and the UUA. We know, from listening to other churches that have recently been through this search, that the number of applicants is likely to be few and that many churches are looking to fill the same position. I am asking you to spread the word. Think of people you have known, who might know someone, who might be perfect. **On our website is an explanation of who we are as a church and as a Faith Formation program. It includes our job description:** <http://uuharvard.org/FaithFormationSearchPacket> All you have to do is direct possible

candidates to our website. We would appreciate all the help we can get in finding that perfect person.

Annual Reports are due to me April 29 (with edits or corrections due the first week of May). If you want me to send you the text file of your committee's report from last year or a previous year, please let me know. An attached Word file and/or pasted text in the body of the email works fine. Please let me know if you have any questions. Thanks.

-Elinor Stapleton 978-456-8752
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“Songs of Love” Harvard Pro Musica Concert Sat. April 30th 7:30 p.m. in our sanctuary. Music by the following composers: Johannes Brahms, Daniel Pinkham, Maurice Durufle, Samuel Barber. For info and tickets:
<https://www.harvardpromusica.org/2015-2016-season/>

May 1, 2016 Loaves and Fishes is In Need of Cereal Please consider looking through your cabinets or going out to purchase an extra box or two of cereal for Loaves and Fishes. They request no oatmeal or Cheerios but any other kind is fine. As always, if you have something other than cereal to donate, Loaves and Fishes will gratefully accept that also. Once you have gathered your donation, please leave it in the Loaves and Fishes labeled baskets in the church foyer for **Sunday, May 1st**. If you have questions, please contact Risa Goldman at risajan@aol.com. Thank you.

Bargains in the Belfry It is springtime at Bargains, and there are lots of cool and comfy things available for both men and women. We're also looking for more things to sell, so if you have items to consign or to donate, stop by to drop them off on Tuesdays, 10/00 am to 4:00 pm, or Sundays May 1 or 15, and do some shopping at the same time.

Upcoming Film The Women's Alliance presents *The Year We Thought About*

Love, an award winning movie at film festivals from Mumbai to Edinburgh, will be shown at the Fellowship Building, on **Saturday, May 7 at 7p.m.** Discussion with film participants to follow. With wit, grace, and attitude, a Boston youth theater troupe, *True Colors* brings actors together across race, ethnicity, class, sexual orientation, and gender identity to explore OUTNESS. The power of BEING OUT may be the queer community's greatest contribution to all of us. For more information go to www.theyearwethoughtaboutlove.com or call Karen Davis (978-368-1846).

Note: There will **not** be an Alliance meeting Tue. May 3. There will a meeting Tue. June 7.

CHURCH CALENDAR

Sun. Apr. 24

9:45 a.m. Nursery open

10:00 a.m. Worship Service

“Why Agnostics Go to Church”

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Coffee Hour in Charlanne Van

Wormer room in the FB

Walk for Hunger Pep Rally

Wed. Apr. 27

6-8 DFF meeting

7:00 p.m. Caring Network meeting

Thu. Apr. 28

5-7pm Website planning meeting

7:30pm Sr. Choir

Sun. May 1

9:45 a.m. Nursery open

10:00 a.m. Worship Service

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“If I Had a Song”

11:20-11:50am Jr. Chior

11:30-12:30 Bargains open

Pot Luck for Walkers

Milad and Monar live in the West Bank, near Jerusalem; this dynamic young couple from Palestine will visit First Parish Church in Bedford on Tuesday, 4/26 at 7pm to talk with us about their life, their projects, and their hopes and dreams. -
-The Bedford UU Peace and Justice Committee.