



Chalice Chat

Sunday News from the Harvard Unitarian Universalist Church
September 11th 2016

SHARING OUR PLATE: September Checks made out to **Loaves & Fishes** and 50% of the cash from the collection plate go to our local food pantry, which provides food, clothing, camper-ships and after-school enrichment scholarships, emergency shelter, resource referral, and other temporary services. Volunteer stewards and a trained mental health worker listen with understanding and empathy to the complex situations of clients and suggest actions to promote independence and increased self-reliance. Loaves & Fishes serves over 600 families in Ayer, Devens, Groton, Harvard, Littleton, and Shirley.

**This Week's Service September 11
10:00 a.m.**

Rev. J. Mark Worth

"Words, Words, Words."

We will be unpacking some of the traditional words, such as God, Goddess, faith, heresy, worship, minister, etc. that sometimes give us difficulty. Also: Meet Daniel Payne, our new Director of Faith Formation. **Hospitality** - The Ministerial Search Committee. **Greeters** - Carol MacFarlane & Paige O'Brien. **Ushers** - Pam and Glen Frederick **Music:** Marsha Martin, Bill Cordner & Sr. Choir

**Next Week's Service, Sunday, Sept. 18
10:00 a.m.**

Britt Argow

"The Cowfish Problem, or: How Can Those People Still Think That?"

The old saying about walking a mile in someone else's shoes is still true today. In these divisive times, what can we remember about ourselves and "the other" that can help us to communicate better and live together more peacefully?

FAITH FORMATION

All Ages Worship in the sanctuary this week.

Coming Soon: There will be a parent's information meeting for Faith Formation after church on September 25 in the Fellowship Building.

Please join us Saturday, October 1st, 5-8pm, for a Family Game Night in the Fellowship Building! It will be a fun way for families to reconnect, meet Daniel and his husband, Hyunseo, and play some fun games! We will have a variety of board games, etc. for all ages! The FF Team will provide an Ice Cream Sunday bar, with all the fixings to sweeten the fun! Potluck Dinner. If you have any friends or neighbors who are interested our church, or looking for a fun night out, please feel free to have them join us! You can contact Leslie Neville at [978-456-9870](tel:978-456-9870) or ffteam@uuharvard.org with any questions.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Coming of Age Orientation On Tuesday, September 13 there will be an orientation meeting for all 9th and 10th graders and their parents who want to participate in the upcoming Coming of Age Program this Fall. We will meet in the Charlanne Van Wormer Room in the Fellowship Building 7-8pm. Parents and prospective COA members will have the opportunity to learn about this important milestone program and ask questions of the co-facilitators, Leslie Neville and Chuck McCormack. If you have any questions before the meeting, please contact Leslie @ ldneville4@gmail.com or Chuck @ decisionrm@comcast.net.

MSC Notes Your Ministerial Search Committee has been very busy! After many meetings, we are ready to solicit your input, via online survey (paper copies available upon request) and Cottage Meetings (small group discussions with feedback).

**BEYOND CATEGORICAL THINKING
WORKSHOP – SUN. OCT. 2ND 11:30-2:30**

The Harvard UU Church will participate in

the Beyond Categorical Thinking workshop led by Rev. Jory Agate. The workshop is offered by the UUA for congregations in search for a new minister. All are invited to participate. Come on Sun., Oct. 2nd at 10am for Worship and stay for the Workshop that will immediately follow the service! 11:30-2:30 in the Fellowship Building. Lunch and childcare in the will be provided by the Ministerial Search Committee.

Welcome Team is now the Connections

Team: After the service stop by the Connections Table to learn about upcoming events and opportunities for engagement; request a name button; or just chat!

New UU Classes: Oct. 16 and Oct. 23, 11:30 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. Want to learn more about Unitarian Universalism? Join Rev. Mark Worth for one or both of these Sunday classes designed as an introduction or a refresher to our UU faith. For more information, please contact minister@uuharvard.org. Sign up at the Connections Table or send a message to Paige O'Brien, paigeob21@gmail.com.

The Caring Network supplements the minister's pastoral work by reaching out to parishioners in times of illness, loss or transition. Our group, with the help of our generous network of volunteers, can coordinate visits, meals, errands and cards for those who are housebound, hospitalized, in nursing homes or are generally in need of support. If you or a loved one are in need of assistance, please contact us. Our Caring Network welcomes all who wish to join our group or become part of our network of volunteers. Our generosity and willingness to help one another is key to our community.

Bargains Consignment Shop Opens for Fall Season our own special consignment shop resells lightly-used clothing. It will open for the season on Tue., Oct. 4th, so now is a good time to clean out your closets. Bargains is accepting men's, women's and children's like-new used clothing starting Sept. 11. Items for

consignment or donation may be left, with a note giving your name and phone number, in the church office or outside the Bargains door, or brought to the shop during hours of operation. The shop is open each Tuesday 10:00 am - 4:00 pm and the first and third Sundays 11:30-12:30pm.

-Contact Dorothy Solbrig, 978-772-9245.

Welcome back everyone! The Social Justice Ministries Council (SJMC) will have its first meeting of the church year after services this Sunday (September 11) in the Community Room of the Fellowship Building, 11:45 to 1pm. The goal is to start planning a series of social justice events around the theme "Walls Divide/Hearts Connect." All are welcome! Please contact Steve Farough (farough.steve@gmail.com). See you there!

CHURCH CALENDAR

Sun. Sept. 11

10:00 a.m. Worship for All Ages

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11:30-12:30 Bargains clothing accepted

11:45-1:00 SJMC mtg

Tue. Sept. 13

10-4 Bargains clothing accepted

7:00 p.m. Coming of Age info mtg

Wed. Sept. 14 7:00 p.m. Meditation

Sun. Sept. 18

10:00 a.m. Worship for All Ages

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11:30-12:30 Bargains clothing accepted

7:00 p.m. Coming of Age



Defying the Nazis:

The Sharps' War tells the story of Waitstill

and Martha Sharp, a Unitarian minister and his wife who, on the eve of World War II, helped to save hundreds of political dissidents and Jewish refugees fleeing the Nazi occupation across Europe. A Ken Burns documentary; Tom Hanks as the voice of Rev. Waitstill Sharp. Tuesday Sept. 20, 9:00 p.m. on WGBH.