



Chalice Chat

Sunday News from the Harvard Unitarian Universalist Church
October 15th, 2017

Sharing Our Plate: October 15th, 22nd & 29th -- Human Rights Committee (HRC)

For LGBTQ Celebration month, we will be sharing our plate with the Human Rights Campaign (HRC). The HRC is the largest civil rights organization working to achieve equality for lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender and queer Americans. They envision a world where lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender and queer people are embraced as full members of society at home, at work and in every community. Please make your checks out directly to HRC.

October 15, *Sharing Our Stories*,

Facilitated by Carol MacFarlane. Sharing our stories not only connects us to one another but is also deeply enriching, as we take note of differences and similarities with our own life's journey. Five members of Carol MacFarlane's "Weaving the Stories of Our Life Journey" group (John Read, Alice Rennie, Imre Toth, Naomi Newell, and Carol) will share excerpts from the stories they have written over the past year.

October 22, *Coming-Out Still Matters*,

Reverend Jill Cowie. In the words of the Human Rights Campaign Foundation, "coming out and living openly as someone who identifies as lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender and non-gender conforming is an act of bravery and authenticity that calls for something from straight and thoughtful allies." This service honors the act of coming out whether it be as lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, non-gender conforming or allied. Join us!

Today in Religious Education.....

October 15 is a Fellowship Start, so all children, youth and teachers will start in the Fellowship Building at 10 am. The themes of each class for this week are listed below:

- Butterfly Garden children will be working together on a special art project.
- Rock Garden children will be working together on a social action experience.
- Cosmix will be finalizing their 7 Principles Banner.
- Bridges will be journeying through Session 3 and 4 of *Compass Points*.

It will be a fun-filled Sunday of religious exploration for all!

ANNOUNCEMENTS

2018 Stewardship Drive The 2018 Stewardship Campaign is off and running! **REACH Party Oct 21 5:30** Pot Luck! Talent Show! Door Prize! Dessert! Lots of reasons to join your fellow UUs at a Pot Luck of hearty appetizers followed by a Talent Show led by MC Rick High. BYOB. Simultaneous Kids Pizza Party in Community Room with Juggler Logan Penny. Sign up to attend with Carol MacFarlane (carolmacfarlane@gmail.com) or directly on this [spreadsheet](#).

Talent or No-Talent Show Participants Needed! Have you got a talent? No? Who cares! Come participate anyway in the Reach Party's Talent Show! We are looking for those willing to act (or act up), to sing (or lip sync), to play an instrument (or simply play). Recite a poem, tell a story, paint a picture, there are many possibilities! Sign up with Barbara Kemp at (bjzkemp@gmail.com) or directly on this [spreadsheet](#).

-Ginger Kendall and Carol MacFarlane

Notes from Rev. Jill

I am in the office on alternate Monday and Tuesdays, and all Wednesdays and Thursdays. I welcome lunch, or dinner to get to know you. My cell is the best way to reach me- [617-697-0922](tel:617-697-0922). I look forward to connecting. **Fall Walks with Minister every Wednesday 9:15-10:30 a.m.** Meet at the church and call [617-697-0922](tel:617-697-0922) with questions. **Rev Jill and her husband Ben invite you to help host trick or treat** from the front church steps on Halloween from 5-7:00 p.m. Bring a jack-o-lantern if you want.

Tending the Flame: UU Parent Study Group Join us for a series based on the book "Tending the Flame: The Art of Unitarian Universalist Parenting" by Michelle Richards. In-person sessions (11:30-1:30): October 29, January 13 and February 11. Questions? Contact Jill Cowie or Daniel Payne. Register at <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/tending-the-flame-uu-parent-study-group-tickets-3802596167>

The SHYG will be participating in Boston's CityReach to benefit the homeless on Nov. 10/11. This year the youth have decided to solicit donations of new white socks, underwear and \$5 Dunkin Donuts gift cards along with monetary donations to allow us to buy these articles. The gift cards enable the homeless to use the bathrooms at Dunkin Donuts shops as a "purchase" is necessary for bathroom privileges. We will have collection boxes in the FB for donations of socks and underwear and please note that 80% of Boston's homeless are men. If you'd like to donate money please make your check payable to the church (HUUC) with "CityReach" in the memo line.

<http://commoncathedral.org/cityreach>

Thank you for your support, -SHYG

Sunday Service Volunteers Needed!

Click on the following links to sign up or stop by the Connections Table clipboards in the back of the Sanctuary.

[Greeter Online Sign-Up](#)

[Usher Online Sign-Up](#)

[Hospitality Online Sign-Up](#)

Thank you! The Connection Team
connections@uuharvard.org

Two Fundraisers for HUUC

1. You are invited to the annual "Classical Cocktail" on Sun. Oct. 15, 4 pm at 42 Willow Road, Harvard. Eleanor Toth, Helen Batchelder, Ted Johnson and John Chapman will perform great works. Suggested donation \$25. Contact John at jpnchapman@yahoo.com or 978-456-0033

2. Melodic Jazz with Soul. Friday, October 20, 8 p.m. The Elliot Steger Trio in our sanctuary. Tickets \$20 Elliot Steger, composer, jazz pianist and physician with Jon Hazilla on drums, and David Landoni, on acoustic bass. The Music Committee is delighted to present this church fund raising concert to our community. Tickets at the door or <http://uuharvard.tix.com/> Contact eltoth@verizon.net for more info

CHURCH CALENDAR

Sunday October 15

10:00-11:00 a.m. Worship Service

Sharing Our Stories

11:00-2:30 Anti-Racism Workshop

11:20-11:50 a.m. Junior Choir

11:30-12:30 Bargains in the Belfry

Tuesday October 17

10-4 Bargains in the Belfry open

10:00 Belfry Deadline

Wednesday October 18

7-8 p.m. Meditation

Thursday October 19

7:30 p.m. Seven Path Meditation

Friday October 20

8:00 p.m. Elliot Steger Concert

Melodic Jazz with Soul

Saturday October 21

5:30-8:00 p.m. REACH Party

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10:00-11:00 a.m. Worship Service

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