



Chalice Chat

Sunday News from the Harvard Unitarian Universalist Church
January 14th, 2018

Sharing Our Plate: UU Urban Ministry --

Each month, the Social Justice Ministries Council chooses a justice oriented organization to which we donate half of the cash contributions from the plate. For the next three weeks, that organization will be the **UU Urban Ministry** which is a social justice organization based in the Roxbury neighborhood of Boston. Their programs focus on providing: Academic and enrichment programming for children and youth; Emergency shelter for individuals and families fleeing from domestic violence; Job- and education-readiness training for low-income women and LGBTQ survivors of domestic violence.

If you would like 100% of your donation to go to UU Urban Ministry, please make out a check directly to them.

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“#TheResistance”

Daniel Payne and Rev. Jill

The Resistance movement forms from the histories and lessons of the leaders, organizers and participants that came before us. This sermon will explore how the resistance of Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. and Malcom X continues to inform faithful resistance today. Come to this Whole Congregation worship service to explore our heritage of resistance and how a few participants of the Fall Anti-Racism workshop are making resistance real in their lives.

Sunday January 21st, 2018

“Luck, Happiness, and Faith”

Rev. Jill Cowie

In a public discourse dominated by the culture of control, Jackson Lears suggests in his book, *Something for Nothing: Luck in America*, a culture less intent on the individual's responsibility to master destiny might be more capacious, more generous, and more gracious. He says, “Its about

chance confirming everything you knew but could make no place for in your life.” Join John Chapman and I as we explore in prose and music how the confluence of luck, happiness, and faith can create a distinctly different culture than what our Puritan ancestors anticipated.

Religious Education

January 14: MLK Whole Congregation Service

We have a need for teachers and assistants for Butterfly Garden (prek - 1st grade): 1/21 - 2/18 and 2/25 - 4/1 (assistant only)
Cosmix (4th - 5th grade): 1/21 - 2/18 and 4/8 - 6/10 (teacher and assistant). If you can help with these groups at these times, please email Daniel at dre@uuharvard.org.

Passages Refugee Experience

February 3, 12 noon - 6 pm For more information, speak with Daniel.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Reaching In: A Listening Circle

Opportunity SAVE THE DATE: Join us for an **afternoon of fellowship**, munchies and impromptu music at a special Listening Circle on February 4, 2018 from 2-5pm.

The afternoon will be **hosted by the Worship Committee at the Taylor Home.**

All will be invited to listen deeply from their hearts in the spirit of support and loving kindness as everyone has the opportunity to share their enthusiasms and concerns about the first six months of this special year, and ideas for worship moving forward with our new minister. For more information, contact Kelley Taylor at kelley@picante.com or Cary Browse cbrowse@earthlink.net

**Social Justice Ministries Council
Three Gems of the Week**

The 16th Annual Martin Luther King, Jr. Breakfast Program Monday, January 15th 9:00--11:00 A.M. Congregation Beth Elohim 133 Prospect St., Acton -- Donations at the door. **Special invitation to come hear Renée Graham of the Boston Globe.** Renée Graham is a columnist for the Globe's op-ed page. She started as a general assignment reporter, and then moved to features and arts covering music, film, and television as a writer and critic. She also wrote a weekly pop culture column. Graham has written numerous pieces on racism and sexual harassment. The Social Action of Beth Elohim (Na'aseh) is sponsoring this breakfast program. For more information contact Sal Lopes at sal.t.lopes@gmail.com.

Debby Irving Event, Wednesday, January 17, 6:45-9:00 p.m. Acton Congregational Church -- 12 Concord Road, Acton Debby Irving is a racial justice educator, author, and public speaker. Author of *Waking Up White: and Finding Myself in the Story of Race*, Debby Irving will share her sometimes cringe-worthy struggle to understand racism and racial tensions. She offers a fresh perspective on bias, stereotypes, manners, and tolerance. As she unpacks her own long-held beliefs about colorblindness, being a good person, and wanting to help people of color, she reveals how each of these well-intentioned mindsets actually perpetuated her ill-conceived ideas about race. Donations are appreciated and any money collected above the cost of expenses will benefit Fostering Racial Justice Group (FRJG).

The Cambridge/Boston Women's March 2018: The People Persist Cambridge Commons Park at Waterhouse St. & Massachusetts Ave. Cambridge, MA **Saturday, January 20, 2018, 1:00 pm to 4:00 pm** We the People of New England will take to the streets again to show that Women's Rights are Human Rights and Human Rights are Women's Rights. Over the past year, basic rights for women in New England have struggled to survive under the weight of the United States federal

regime. We must take a stand to defend our rights! ALL ARE WELCOME. We encourage anybody and everybody who accepts the fact that women are people to join us. For more information, check out our Facebook page at

<https://www.facebook.com/events/862995990536253/permalink/884560728379779/>

Need for Partner Church Brunch Feb. 4
Set up people, service people, volunteers we need.

*We have many hungry mouths to feed.
February 4 is the date
for to fill the Hungarian plate,
and help our Partner church succeed.*

-See Mary Donald

Bargains Consignment Shop Open every Tuesday 10 AM to 4 PM and 1st & 3rd Sundays after worship. Bargains in the Belfry, a consignment shop upstairs in the Harvard Unitarian Church is open every Tuesday. Check out the new items – loads of kids clothing and even some cashmere! Please stop by. -Sharon Briggs

CHURCH CALENDAR

Sunday January 14

10:00 a.m. Worship Service
“#TheResistance”

Daniel Payne and Rev. Jill
11:30 Social Justice Ministries
Council meeting

Monday January 15 Office closed

Tuesday January 16

Belfry deadline
10-4 Bargains in the Belfry open
7:00 p.m. Worship Team meeting
7:15 p.m. Auction Committee mtg.

Wednesday January 17

7-8 p.m. Silent Meditation

Sunday January 18

10:00 a.m. Worship Service
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11:20-11:50 Junior Choir
11:30-12:30 Creating an Inclusive
Religious Education Culture
11:30-12:30 Bargains in the Belfry
12:00-1:00 Chimers