



Chalice Chat

Sunday News from the Harvard Unitarian Universalist Church
February 11th, 2018

Sharing Our Plate: Partner Church – February 11th

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 Partner Church's. The HUUC seeks to join with our partners in faith in Magyarandrasfalva, Transylvania to exchange the stories of our lives, to learn from one another, to deepen our faith, and to share our understanding and resources in order to help support each other's dreams. Through the Sharing Our Plate donations, we help them make needed repairs and maintenance to keep their house of worship a welcoming place. If you would like 100% of your donation to go to our partner church, please make a check out directly to Partner Church Council.

Sunday February 11th A Ministry Towards the World Rev. Jill Cowie, and DRE, Daniel Payne Religious educator Maria Harris once said, "Religious education is the whole community religiously educating the world to engage in a ministry towards the world." This sermon and service will honor this call of religious education as central to our ministry. A lunch and visioning session led by UUA Regional Consultant Karen Bellevance-Grace will follow the service. The whole congregation is invited to participate.

Sunday February 18th The Democracy Principle Rev. Jill Cowie, Piali De, and Brenton Stoddart This sermon lifts up the importance of democracy itself and is inspired by the energy of our Social Justice Ministry Council members to engage District Three candidates in conversations that emphasize our progressive values. The sermon will explore the movement that has led to the Trump presidency and offers a

vision and call to action to take our civic life to a new level of engagement.

Religious Education

February 11 is a Sanctuary Start. Nursery care will be provided in the Fellowship Building.

Butterfly Garden: Loaves & Fishes Valentine Bags

Rock garden: Loaves & Fishes Valentine Bags

Cosmix: Loaves & Fishes Valentine Bags

Bridges: Going Deeper Into Hinduism

February 18: No RE

We have a need for Cosmix Assistants and Teachers for two blocks (2/25 - 04/01 and 04/08 - 06/10). If you can help with this need, please email Daniel at dre@uuharvard.org.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Please Come on February 11th after the service to a visioning session for the whole congregation. A time to RE-new, RE-think, RE-vitalize the HUUC RE program

- ♦ A chance to reflect on the purpose of RE in our congregation. Are there new goals we want to reach or unmet needs?
- ♦ To lift up what we most value. What do we want more of, less of, or stay the same?
- ♦ To reinvest our collective energies and resources in ways that serve the values we want to promote through our RE ministry

Facilitated by UUA Regional Consultant Karen Bellevance Grace Sutherland Hall at 11:30, A light lunch will be provided.

Human Rights Awareness: Palestine Israel, HRA:PI During social hour on February 11, members of the HUUC committee, HRA:PI, will provide information about a bill now in Congress, HR 4391, *Promoting Human Rights by Ending Israeli Military Detention of Palestinian Children Act* and ask people to sign a letter in support of this bill to Congresswoman Niki Tsongas. This bill opposes Israeli military detention of children and is the first-ever Palestinian human rights bill in Congress. We will follow up with a program in a few weeks. Barbara Cerva, Brenton Stoddart, Dave Kendall, Janice Goodell, pat westwater-jong, Ralph Goodell



Catching That 70's Fever Auction 2018
Donation and reservation forms are now available, or you

can register online. Donation forms due Monday, Feb. 26. Stop by the Auction Team Table in the foyer for more information. We look forward to seeing you at the Auction on:

Saturday March 25, 5-9pm.

-Carol MacFarlane & Edie Joyce

Admin Office will be closed Tuesday 2/13. I will be attending a Regional Admin meeting in NH. -Elinor Stapleton

SAVE THE DATE FOR REV. JILL'S INSTALLATION

When: Sunday, April 8, 2018 at 4p.m.

Where: Ceremony in the HUUC Sanctuary followed by (pot-luck) reception in the Fellowship Building. **What is an installation?** An installation ceremony highlights and reaffirms the bond between a minister and the congregation. **Details:** Will be available soon. **Questions?** Contact Cary Browse, cbrowse@earthlink.net

CHURCH CALENDAR

Sunday February 11

10-11:15 Senior High Youth Group
10:00 a.m. Worship Service
A Ministry Towards the World
Rev. Jill, and DRE, Daniel
11:20-11:50 Jr. Choir
11:30-1:30 R.E. Visioning Session
11:30-1:00 SHYG
12:00-1:00 Chimers

Tuesday February 13

Admin Office will be closed today
10-4 Bargains in the Belfry open
7pm Installation Committee meeting
7:30pm Auction Committee meeting

Wednesday February 14

7-8pm Meditation

Sunday February 18

10:00 a.m. Worship Service
The Democracy Principle
Rev. Jill Cowie, Piali De, and Brenton Stoddart
11:30-12:30 Bargains open

In the larger community:

BYSTANDER/UPSTANDER

TRAINING with True Story Theater
Sunday, February 25, 2018 11:30 AM to 3 PM First Church Unitarian, 19 Foster St. Littleton, MA. Learn how to support people targeted by bigotry. Workshop includes dramatically exploring the challenges of intervening, short presentations & handouts, role plays. Light lunch at 11:30. Suggested Donation: \$15 more if you can, less if you can't. Register:

<https://bystanderupstandertraining.eventbrite.com> Questions? aaf4404@gmail.com