



# Chalice Chat

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

**Sharing Our Plate** *Each month, half of the contributions in the collection plate, other than those specified for pledges, go to a designated social justice organization.*

**March 11<sup>th</sup>, 18<sup>th</sup> & 25<sup>th</sup> – Ujima**

**Foundation** Ujima is an old Swahili word that means “achieved with the help of others”. Founded in 2003, Ujima Foundation is a sustainable urban development organization providing employability training to orphaned youth who are taking full responsibility for their younger siblings. Every year, through training, job exposure and mediation with employers, Ujima Foundation enables 240 new youth to access gainful employment, become self-reliant and better support their families. Ujima Foundation’s goal for their clients is for them to shift from viewing themselves as victims towards seeing themselves as managers of their lives who have found financial independence so that they are able to support themselves and the children in their care. For more information on this organization, please go to [ujimafoundation.org](http://ujimafoundation.org).

**March 11<sup>th</sup> Healing Stories Matt Dicks and the Worship Committee** Join 34-time Moth StorySLAM champion and 5- time GrandSLAM champion Matthew Dicks as he leads us in a story telling experience to discover the power of healing in our lives. Matt will connect you with your stories as you laugh, gasp, and perhaps even shed a tear or two at some of the true stories from his life. In the telling of stories, we heal. Join him after the service in the Fellowship Building for a story telling workshop as well.

**March 18 We Will Story Our Own Lives A Promise and Practices Services led by Rev. Jill Cowie** The Promise and the Practice is a celebration of our shared commitment to live into a new chapter of

centering the experience of people of color in our congregations. Come draw from the written experiences of Black UU religious professionals. (The Choir will bless us with the beauty of their gifts as they bring to life music written by People of Color for a soul deepening services as we live into this moment of our UU story.) This service gives us the opportunity to align our finances with our theology and to donate at least \$10 per member to the Black Lives of UU (BLUU) campaign so that BLUU will receive a dollar for dollar match for our contribution. Let us rise to the challenge!

## RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

**March 11 is a Sanctuary Start.** Children will start in the sanctuary, and will walk over to the Fellowship Building together after the Story. Please see below for this week's schedule:

**Butterfly Garden:** “How Kindness Leads to Great Joy” (Spirit Play)

**Rock Garden / Cosmix Combined:** “An Exploration of Religion & Science”

**Bridges:** Session 16 in *Compass Points*

## Upcoming Weeks:

**March 18:** Fellowship Start / Auction Prep for Butterfly Garden - Cosmix

**March 25:** Senior High Youth Group Service / Matzoh Ball Making for BG & RG

## ANNOUNCEMENTS



**Catch That 70's Fever  
March 24th Dinner and  
Auction**

**\*\*Note change in times\*\*** due to Boston's *March For Our*

*Lives*

**6:00** Doors Open, Silent Auction Begins

**7:15** 70's Potluck Dinner Party

**8:15** Live Auction

Don't Rush out the Door—Hang Out and Dance! Sign up today after church!

**I am resuming the weekly walks with the minister as my way to invite spring.**

Please join me at the Littleton Conservation area at 11:00 on Wednesday the 14<sup>th</sup>. My cell [617-697-0922](tel:617-697-0922) if you need to reach me. Find directions here:

[https://littletonconservationtrust.org/tws\\_holiday/oak-hill/](https://littletonconservationtrust.org/tws_holiday/oak-hill/) I am available next week for office hours Monday, Wednesday, or Thursday please call my cell to set up a time. -With gratitude, Jill

**The Social Justice Ministries Council recommends** this Washington Post article entitled, "Arming Teachers Would Put Black and Latino Kids in Danger" by Stacey Patton. This article reminds us that for students of color, guns in classrooms could be deadly.

[https://www.washingtonpost.com/news/post-everything/wp/2018/02/27/arming-teachers-would-put-black-and-latino-kids-in-danger/?utm\\_term=.311fa3ff0156](https://www.washingtonpost.com/news/post-everything/wp/2018/02/27/arming-teachers-would-put-black-and-latino-kids-in-danger/?utm_term=.311fa3ff0156)

**HRA:PI (Human Rights Awareness: Palestine Israel) is hosting an evening of** short films and conversations about violence – awareness and denial, courage and culture and connections - in the US and the violence we export. We'll focus on the violence in Israel and Palestine. Please join us on March 16, 7:00PM in the Fellowship Building to listen and learn and share your thoughts. Thanks. –Pat Westwater-Jong

**How Are the Children Working Group (HATCH) Sunday March 18th,** Community Room. Contact Piali De [depiali@earthlink.net](mailto:depiali@earthlink.net) or Britt Argow [baargow@yahoo.com](mailto:baargow@yahoo.com) 11:30-1:00.

**All Leadership Meeting, Monday, March 19, 7 p.m. at the Fellowship Building.** This is a biannual meeting of the lay leaders of the Church to share information with one another and to plan for the upcoming year. We hope to include a brainstorming session about how committees can work together in imaginative ways and support each other. One or two representatives of each Committee should plan to attend. -- Kirsti

Gamage for the Board. Please RSVP: [kirsti.gamage@gmail.com](mailto:kirsti.gamage@gmail.com)

**The Annual UU Family Passover Seder will be held on Sunday, March 25, 2018 from 5:00pm-8:00pm in the Fellowship Building.** (<https://www.eventbrite.com/e/harvard-uu-family-seder-2018-tickets-43723797054> or go to [eventbrite.com](http://eventbrite.com) and search for Harvard UU Seder) or contact Ruth Silman – [617-755-1689](tel:617-755-1689) or [rsilman@nixonpeabody.com](mailto:rsilman@nixonpeabody.com).

**SAVE THE DATE FOR REV. JILL'S INSTALLATION Sunday, April 8, 2018 at 4p.m.** Ceremony in the HUUC Sanctuary followed by (pot-luck) reception in the Fellowship Building. An installation ceremony highlights and reaffirms the bond between a minister and the congregation. Details will be available soon. Contact Cary Browse, [cbrowse@earthlink.net](mailto:cbrowse@earthlink.net)

## CHURCH CALENDAR

Sunday March 11

8:45 a.m. Chimers rehearse

10:00 Worship Service

*Healing Stories*

**Matt Dicks and Worship Committee**

11:20-11:50 Junior Choir

12:00-1:00 p.m. Chimers

**11:30-2:00 p.m. Storytelling Workshop**

Tuesday March 13

10-4 Bargains in the Belfry open

7-9pm Planning Installation meeting

Wednesday March 14

7-8pm Meditation

Thursday March 15

7-9:30pm Board meeting (rescheduled)

Friday March 16

7:00pm Human Rights Awareness:

Saturday March 17

9:30 a.m. HUUC Leadership retreat

Sunday March 18

10:00 a.m. Worship Service

*We Will Story Our Own Lives*

**A Promise and Practices Services led by Rev. Jill Cowie**

11:00 Fellowship Hour in the FB

11:20-11:50 Jr. Choir

11:30-1:00 How Are The Children

11:30-1:00 SHYG