



# Chalice Chat

Sunday News from the Harvard Unitarian Universalist Church  
April 8th, 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.*

## **Mom's Demand Action for Gun Safety – April 8<sup>th</sup>, 15<sup>th</sup>, 22<sup>nd</sup> and 29<sup>th</sup>**

Much like Mothers Against Drunk Driving was created to reduce drunk driving, [Moms Demand Action for Gun Sense in America](#) was created to demand action from legislators, state and federal; companies; and educational institutions to establish common-sense gun reforms. Founded by a stay-at-home mom in response to the devastating shooting at Sandy Hook Elementary School, the organization quickly flourished into a leading force for gun violence prevention, with chapters in all 50 states. Moms Demand Action envisions a country where all children and families are safe from gun violence. For more information about Moms Demand Action for Gun Sense in America, please go to: [momsdemandaction.org](http://momsdemandaction.org). If you would like 100% of your donation to go to Mom's Demand Action for Gun Safety, please make out a check directly to them.

## **April 8<sup>th</sup>, Service of the Living Tradition Rev. Jill Cowie**

A joyous celebration of connection and community as we offer our hands of fellowship to our new members, dedicate ourselves to the journey of supporting and guiding our new children and their parents, and honoring some of our wise elders. In the afternoon at 4:00, please bring yourself and your family to celebrate the installation of Rev Jill. A potluck reception to follow. What joy!

## **April 15<sup>th</sup>, “The Fire of Thought” Jennifer Johnson**

Modern life affords little opportunity for idle daydreaming. Yet, many spiritual traditions and scientific research alike

suggest that our most creative ideas and inspired connections emerge when we make time and space for our minds to wander. Jennifer Johnson is a seminarian at Meadville Lombard Theological School preparing for Unitarian Universalist ministry. She lives in Franklin, MA with her family.

## **RELIGIOUS EDUCATION**

**April 8 is a Sanctuary Start.** All children and youth will start in the sanctuary, then walk over to the Fellowship Building together after the story. Please see below for this week's schedule:

**Butterfly Garden:** Spirit Play

**Rock Garden / Cosmix Combined:** Living Tradition Activity

**Bridges:** The Living Tradition in UUism and Hinduism

### **Upcoming Weeks:**

**April 15:** Sanctuary Start

**April 22:** Whole Congregation

**We are also looking for two teachers for the April 8 - June 10 block for 4th-5th graders. If you can volunteer, please email [Daniel](mailto:Daniel).**

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**You are invited to Rev. Jill Cowie's Installation Ceremony and Reception**  
Sunday, April 8, 2018.

4:00 Ceremony in the Sanctuary

5:15 (approx.) Reception and potluck supper in the Fellowship Building.

Childcare: Available in the Fellowship Building during the ceremony only.

<http://www.signupgenius.com/go/5080d49aba622a02-jills>

**Next week I will be facilitating a UUMA retreat from April 10-April 12th in SEMA.** I will be reachable on my cell phone and will return calls as I am able 617-697-0922. Thank you.

– Rev. Jill

***How Are the Children Working Group (HATCH) Sunday April 22nd, Piali De and Britt Argow are facilitating an on-going conversation*** that will help us evolve from a parent co-op youth program to one in which we all *hold and carry* our children. What does your relationship with youth and the children look like? We need your input to evolve and grow into a vibrant multigenerational church. Please come! 11:30-1:00 in the Charlanne Van Wormer Community Room, in the Fellowship Building.

The SJMC recommends the book --***When They Call You a Terrorist: A Black Lives Matter Memoir*** by Patrisse Khan-Cullors and Asha Bandele. Michelle Alexander, author of the New Jim Crow, says, “This remarkable book reveals what inspired Patrisse’s visionary and courageous activism and forces us to face the consequence of the choices our nation made when we criminalized a generation. This book is a must-read for all of us.” A few of us in the SJMC have either read this book or are planning to. If you would like to read and discuss it with us, please contact Risa Goldman at [risajan@aol.com](mailto:risajan@aol.com) and we can arrange a time for those interested to get together.

**The next Harvard Humanists meeting will be April 29, 1:30 – 3:00 p.m.**

Everyone is invited to attend, and feel free to invite family, friends and neighbors who are not attendees or members of HUUC.

-Daniel Payne

**Duo Guitar-Plus Concert: New date-April 29<sup>th</sup>, 4 p.m.** Don’t miss this fabulous concert in our sanctuary. Both Berit Strong and John Muratore have travelled the world musically and regularly perform in the

Boston area as soloists or chamber players. In addition to their classical guitars, Berit will also perform on a Renaissance Lute and on a Bass Viola Da Gamba. They will be joined by our own Director of Music, Ted Johnson, on harpsichord and organ. You will be thrilled by compositions from Alfonso Ferrabosco, John Dowland, Antonio Vivaldi, Johan Pachelbel, Jorge Cardoso, Manuel Ponce, Celso Machado, Augustin Barbios, and Astor Piazzolla. **This is a fund raising event for the music of the church.** Tickets \$20. -Eleanor Toth

## CHURCH CALENDAR

Sunday April 8

10:00 a.m. Worship

***Service of the Living Tradition***

**Rev. Jill Cowie**

11:20-11:50 Jr. Choir

11:30-1:00 Senior High Youth Group

**Installation**

3:30 Ministers (Fellowship Building)

4:00 Ceremony (Sanctuary)

5:15 Reception & Potluck supper (FB)

Tuesday April 10

10-4 Bargains in the Belfry open

Wednesday April 11

7-8pm Meditation

Thursday April 12

7:00pm Board meeting off-site

7:30pm Choir (Community Room)

Friday April 13

1-6pm Blood Drive in Fellowship Building

Sunday April 15

10:00 a.m. Worship Service

***“The Fire of Thought”***

**Jennifer Johnson**

11:30-12:30 Bargains open

12:00-1:00 Chimers

**Music Listening Circle Date Change**

To June 3, 2:00 p.m. The Music Committee would like to have input from the congregation on ideas you may have for presenting music during the services. Rev. Jill will guide our “Listening Circle” at a home to be determined. -Eleanor Toth