



Chalice Chat

Sunday News from the Harvard Unitarian Universalist Church
April 28, 2019

Sharing Our Plate – April 28 Citizen Climate Education. *Each month, half of the contributions in the collection plate, other than those specified for pledges, go to a designated social justice organization or local charity. Checks made payable to the organization will be mailed directly to them.*

Citizen Climate Education: Citizens' Climate Education empowers individuals to educate elected officials, community leaders, and the general public about climate change and climate change solutions. Our consistently respectful, non-partisan approach to climate education is designed to create a broad, sustainable foundation for climate action across all geographic regions and political inclinations. By building upon shared values rather than partisan divides, and empowering our supporters to work in keeping with the concerns of their local communities, we work towards the adoption of fair, effective, and sustainable climate change solutions.

Perspectives on Wholeness Worship Team, April 28

We will finish out the month of April still considering what it means to be a people of wholeness. This time we will focus on what is wholeness from a Hindu perspective. We will be joined by our friend Neelkanth Mishra. Along with a few of his close friends, Neelkanth founded the temple NESSP ([New England Shirdi Sai Parivaar](#)) nearby in Groton. Today, Neelkanth is on the Board of Director for Spiritual Services in NESSP, placed with the responsibility of conducting and organizing spiritual services in the temple, as well as managing the priests and their services.

Rev. Jill is away 4/26 - 5/1.

People of Curiosity and Covenant Rev. Jill, May 5

We are bound by covenant, each to each and each to all, by what theologian Rebecca Parker calls “freely chosen and life-sustaining interdependence.” The central question for us is not, “What do we believe?” but more, “What do we believe in? To what larger love, to what people, principles, values, and dreams shall we be committed? These are the questions we will explore together to begin our focus on covenant, beginning with the UUA May 11th workshop at our church—all are welcome.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Being a people of wholeness

- Children start in the Sanctuary. Nursery is staffed 9:45 to 11:15.
- Butterflies & Rocks will meet after the Time for All Ages until between 11:15-11:30, when the parents may come to pick them up.

Many hands did wonderful work for last week's Easter service. A special thank you to all the children who made tissue-paper flowers, origami, and inspirational rocks to pass back to the congregation and to the youth helpers who made the Egg Hunt on the Common happen and to all who participated throughout the service to create such an awesome experience.

This week we will be wondering how a tiny seed (like in the garlic-mustard plant) can make so big a difference, and we will be sharing our own stories of wonder. Next week we will be supporting our *Walk For Hunger* church group with food and signs. No SHYG.

-Laura Vilain, DRE Intern

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Women's Alliance Daytime Field Trip to the Harvard Alpaca Farm at 58 Old Mill Rd. Visit with these beautiful animals on their earth-friendly and sustainable farm, learn everything you always wanted to know about alpaca life, including alpacas and yoga; and their use as therapy animals. Shop at alpaca gift store. Tuesday, April 30, meet at 9:45 am at HUUC. Everyone welcome.

LADIES NIGHT OUT! - Friday, May 3 at 5:00, \$25. Sorry, boys, this one is just for the ladies! Come celebrate spring at the MacFarlane-Kozarsky home in Bolton with creative, hearty appetizers, desserts and liquid refreshments provided by your hosts, Carol MacFarlane, Edie Joyce, Marcia Croyle, and Barbara Kemp. Contact Carol at 978-505-4370 or carolmacfarlane@gmail.com to reserve a spot.

This year's Walk for Hunger is on Sunday May 5, just around the corner! In past years, as a team we have raised well over \$10,000. We are hoping to be able to do so again. Please consider walking or sponsoring a walker at <http://www.projectbread.org/walk-for-hunger> and search for our team: "Harvard Hunger Resistance Movement". Or you can go directly to this link to join or donate. http://support.projectbread.org/site/TR/Walk/WalkforHunger?pg=team&fr_id=1380&team_id=80841

Together, we can make a meaningful difference to those who struggle with hunger. We plan on carpooling to Alewife Station and then take the T from there. However, if we raise \$5000 we can get a bus for free! The walk is 20 miles but you can walk as much as you are able. There are shuttle buses all along the way. Thank you for your support! Let us know if you have any questions!

-Piali De and Ann Whitney

Walking the Talk of Covenant Workshop in the Fellowship Building May 11th 9-2

We frequently talk about Unitarian Universalism as a *covenantal* tradition, as opposed to *sacramental* or *creedal*, but what does that mean exactly? Most congregations have written covenants and many recite their covenants at weekly services. *Living* the covenant, however, is more than knowing or saying words. It assumes embodied practices that knit us to each other and to something larger than ourselves. Because we are hosting, it's free. For more information and to register for this UUA sponsored workshop: <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/walking-the-talk-of-covenant-may-11-harvard-registration-56914064499>

-Rev. Jill

CHURCH CALENDAR

Sunday April 28

10:00 a.m. Worship Service

Perspectives on Wholeness

Worship Team

11:30-1 Religious Education Discussion

R.E. Committee & DRE Intern

12:00-1:00 Chimers

Monday April 29

7-9 p.m. Welcoming Renewal meeting

Tuesday April 30

7-9 p.m. Board meeting

7:15-9:30 p.m. Auction Team meeting

Wednesday May 1

7-8 p.m. Meditation

Thursday May 2

11:00-1:00 Soul Matters

4:30-6 p.m. Caring Network

7:00-8:30 p.m. Social Justice Ministries

Council meeting

7:30-9 p.m. Choir

Sunday May 5

10:00 a.m. Worship Service

People of Curiosity and Covenant

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

11:30 – 1:00 Soul Matters