



Chalice Chat

Sunday News from the Harvard Unitarian Universalist Church
October 27, 2019

Sharing Our Plate – October

United Native American Cultural Center

Each month, 33% of the cash contributions in the collection plate, other than those specified for pledges, go to a designated tax deductible social justice organization or local charity. United Native American Cultural Center, located at Devens, has a mission to be a positive place for peoples of all cultures to gather, share, and educate one another. Essential to this endeavor is a program of cultural enrichment, education, and whole life strategies for Native American people; a place to learn and teach crafts, artwork, voices and traditional ways. **Please make checks payable to UNACC.**

“Stillness, Solitude, and Silence”

October 27, Rev. Jill

The late mystic John Donahue said, “Your trust in your inner belonging radically alters your outer belonging.” He goes on to say, “unless you find belonging in your solitude, your external longing will remain needy and driven.” During this more contemplative worship we will invite this inward journey with contemplative practices that encourage inner-belonging. A journey, Donahue says we enter as individuals and yet emerge from part of a community more capable of serving the needs of hurting world.

“The Missing Principle?”

November 3, Rev. Jill

Paula Cole Jones – a UU director for racial and social justice – realized that a person can believe they are being a “good UU” by following the 7 Principles without thinking about or dealing with racism and other oppressions. She decided an 8th Principle was needed to correct this, and with other anti-racist activists, recommended in 2017

that an 8th Principle be adopted by the Unitarian Universalist Association. Since then many congregations have adopted the 8th principle into their covenant, in anticipation of the UUA vote. Shall we adopt the 8th principle to support our journey towards becoming an antiracist congregation?

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Children/Youth Programming

This Sunday the children, and later adults, will learn about and experience Bobbi Gerlits’ labyrinth. They will do this in silence, attuned to the possibility of the sacred. They will be on their own journey, while in community.



Last week the children met during worship upstairs in the Belfry room. They created fellowship in a trust circle and were challenged to build together a free-standing tower of their shoes. Then they re-joined worship in collecting ribbons and later started our weaving.

This weekend the COA youth will be on retreat at Camp Green Eyrie.

Join us for our **First Annual après-**

Halloween Candy Swap, Friday, Nov. 1, 5:30 p.m. Come in costume; bring a salad or drinks to share—and candy to swap, share, or donate to Operation Gratitude. Pizza will be provided. \$5 donation; \$10 max. per family. Please RSVP to Laura, dre@uuharvard.org.

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## CHURCH CALENDAR

Sunday October 27

Loaves & Fishes Collection

10:00 a.m. Worship Service

**“Stillness, Solitude, and Silence”**

**Rev. Jill**

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

12:00-2:00 p.m. Board meeting

12:00-2:00 p.m. Labyrinth Workshop

Tuesday October 29

7:00-9:00 p.m. All Leadership Meeting

Wednesday October 30

7:00-8:00 p.m. Meditation

Thursday October 31

7:30-9:00 p.m. Choir

Sunday November 3

10:00-1:00 Senior High Youth Group and  
Coming of Age

10:00 a.m. Worship Service

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## CHURCH ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Stewardship Campaign** Following the potluck launch last Sunday, the 2019-2020 Stewardship Campaign is off to a great start! In our first week, we have achieved pledges of \$41,900 or @20% towards our goal of \$210,000. Please make sure you complete your pledge card as soon as possible and either mail or place your envelope in the weekly collection plate. Thank you for your generous support of our church! (Additional pledge cards/envelopes will be on the Connections Table at the rear of the church)



***The Power of We***  
**When the fire of commitment  
sets our souls ablaze**

## SOCIAL JUSTICE

### **The Truth about Carbon Pricing**

How lucky we are to have not just one, but two experts from Citizens' Climate Lobby within our church community! David Radue, a member of our church, will be joined by Ethan Payne, who grew up in the church and is the son of Colleen Pearce, to offer an info session, Q & A, and advocacy event on **Thursday, Nov 7 from 7:00 – 8:15 pm at the Fellowship Building.** Please join us to learn how carbon pricing can work to move us away from fossil fuels, what it would mean for your family, and what's happening in Congress and on Beacon Hill.

Social Justice Ministries Council

### ◇ ◇ ◇ GEM OF THE WEEK ◇ ◇ ◇

From *The New York Times* article, “In Miami, the Murals Are the Message”

In the Wynwood section and all over town, artists incorporate social issues into their work — sometimes in a shout, sometimes in more of a whisper.

These works carry strong social messages on subjects from environmental degradation to poverty and wealth, immigration, education, gender, and racial and ethnic diversity.

<https://tinyurl.com/GemOctober24>

