



Chalice Chat

Sunday News from the Harvard Unitarian Universalist Church
January 26, 2020

We are a Welcoming Congregation, recognized by the Unitarian Universalist Association. This means we affirm and include people who are lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, and queer at every level of congregational life—in worship, in program, and in social occasions—welcoming them as whole people.
<https://tinyurl.com/rcazkcj>

Sharing Our Plate – The Brennan Center January. The Brennan Center for Justice is a nonpartisan law and policy institute. They strive to uphold the values of democracy, by standing for equal justice and the rule of law. They work to craft and advance reforms that will make American democracy work, for all. *Checks must be made out to the Brennan Center for Justice.*

January 26th

“The Hope Inside your Pithos”

by Helen J. Batchelder

It’s just sitting there, that “thing with feathers,” as described by Emily Dickinson, singing, waiting out the storm, asking nothing of that which inside it dwells. So sweet it is, so patient. So constant. But what’s the extent of its influence? What’s the best way to use it? Is it at risk? Does it run out? And just how is it *actionable*?

February 2nd

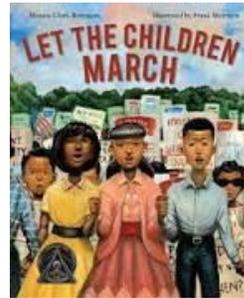
“Lynching”

Rev. Jill Cowie

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Children/Youth Programming

Last Sunday we celebrated Martin Luther King's Day with Ted talking about the 1963 Children's March. He reminded us that we each have an impact on events, no matter the age, particularly standing up for is right and fair. In RE, we read “Let the Children March” by Monica Clark-Robinson.



This Sunday the children and youth will hear Rev Jill share her stories of Africa, the Maasai and their way of life.

Charitable Collections: Especially Toiletries

The Coming of Age youth continue to collect toiletries, hats and gloves, mens’ white socks, and mens’ and womens’ underwear for the homeless in preparation for their upcoming ReachOut Worcester retreat.

The children and youth are also collection toiletries for Valentines Day gift for families in need through Loaves & Fishes. Thank you for your donations.

CHURCH ANNOUNCEMENTS

SAVE THIS DATE!

The annual HUUC auction fundraiser is on **Saturday, April 4!**

More information to follow!

Food Donations for January We are averaging over 100 lbs a month in donations for Loaves and Fishes, let's keep this up. This month think winter hearty food like Mac and Cheese, canned soup (beef, chicken, mushroom, chowder) and chili, pancake mix, hamburger helper and boxed flavored rice. Collection date is January 26th. -Maddy and Hugh Silk

**Women's Alliance, February 4, 2020
@6:30 p.m. "Two Opportunities for Peace and Reconciliation" Ted Johnson**

The art and practice of Compassionate Listening in Israel-Palestine and Alabama. Insights from recent trips to Israel-Palestine and Alabama. Come and discover the potential for significant change within the context of careful and compassionate listening.

All are welcome. Hostess: Diane Corder

Looking Ahead to Sunday, February 9, the children will be making Valentine's Day bags full of items for self-care/health supplies. Please bring **shampoo, conditioner, soap, toothpaste, tooth brushes and deodorant for them to add to the bags.** In addition, we would like to provide other needed self-care items to Loaves and Fishes. Please bring these needed items for us to send along:

- Feminine Care Products, Poise Pads
- Depends- large & X-large Both Mens and Womens
- Shampoo, conditioner, soap, toothpaste, tooth brushes and deodorant.

New to Harvard Unitarian Church or Unitarian Universalism? Come to a fun, interactive three session series ("Starting Points") during which we delve into our theology, history, and make meaning together. February 9th, March 8th and March 29th, 11:30-1:00 in the Fellowship Building's community room.

◇◇◇ **GEM OF THE WEEK** ◇◇◇

This is the 5th of King's 6 Principles of Nonviolence: *Avoid internal violence of the spirit as well as external physical violence.* The nonviolent mindset should

permeate all aspects of your efforts. A nonviolent resister not only refuses to shoot his opponent, but also refuses to hate them. This can be done only by projecting the ethic of love to the center of our lives. Love in this sense is meant within the Greek sense of Agape – which means understanding redeeming goodwill for all humankind. Agape is not a weak, passive love – it is love in action – seeking to preserve and create community. One who works against community is working against the whole of creation. Booker T. Washington once said: "Let no man pull you so low as to make you hate him." Ultimately, agape means recognition of the fact that all life is interrelated, all humanity is involved in a single process, and all are brothers and sisters.

Brunch February 9

9th of February is the date for Hungarian food to fill your plate we need kitchen workers, you can bet Try Sign up Genius on the Internet.

Mary Donald for the partner church

CHURCH CALENDAR

Sunday January 26

Food Collection

10:00-11:00 a.m. Worship Service

"The Hope Inside your Pithos"

Helen Batchelder & Kerry Alexander

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

12:00-1:00 Chimers

12:00-1:00 Social Justice Ministries C.

12:00-2:00 Board

Wednesday January 29

7-8pm Meditation

Thursday January 30

7:30-9:00pm Choir

Saturday February 1

1:00-4:00pm Coming of Age retreat prep

Sunday February 2

10:00-11:30 Coming of Age class

10:00-11:00 a.m. Worship Service

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11:30-12:30 Coming of Age/Mentors