

# The Spire

The Newsletter of  
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Unitarian Universalist**  
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## Sunday Services - 10:00 am

Rev. Lise Adams Sherry  
preaching unless otherwise indicated

### June 11: Flower Communion Service

Started in 1922, by Unitarian Rev. Norbert Capek in Czechoslovakia, this service commemorates our diversity and our covenant to walk with one another in love. Please remember to bring a flower (or more) to share during this uniquely Unitarian Universalist service. The Fogg Service Committee also has a fun family project to launch. Curious? See you Sunday!

### June 18: Possibilities Abound: The USS Harvey Milk

Join us as we look at some of the history of LGBTQ civil rights and culture. It's also an Outreach Sunday and members from the newly re-constituted SSHAGLY (South Shore Alliance of Gay and Lesbian Youth) group will join us to tell us how we can help their group. Following the worship service, please stay for the annual church picnic, coordinated by the RE Committee.

June 25: GA Sunday (10 am to 11:30 am)  
We'll do our annual live-screening of the service at General Assembly in New Orleans

July 2: Summer worship services begin, at 10 am all summer long. See more information about service content on page 7.

### September 10: Water Communion Ingathering and Welcome

As you take time to reflect and refresh over the summer, remember to bring some water that has nourished your soul during this time (and/or perhaps other times of the year as well).

## 2017-2018 WORSHIP VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Sign-up sheets have been posted in the Parish Hall for ushers, greeters, Coffee Hour hosts and pulpit arrangements. Please consider signing up now and giving us a head start for fall!

**OFFICE HOURS (September to mid-June):**

Closed on Mondays

Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday: 9 am-1 pm

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**Chair:** Les Taylor

**Members:** Scott Garland, David Hockman, Mary Nickerson, Jim Pickel, Elizabeth Robey and Dexter Robinson

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**Minister Emeritus:** Rev. Richard M. Fewkes

The deadline for the next issue of THE SPIRE is **Monday, August 14, 2017**. Submissions should be emailed to Hope at [office@firstparishnorwell.org](mailto:office@firstparishnorwell.org).

## LISE'S LETTER

As usual, a lot has been happening at First Parish; below are some thank you's, comments and information to help tie things up.

As our fiscal year comes to a close, I want to give a special thank you to Julian Baptista, our Director of Religious Education (DRE) for the last four years. As hopefully everyone knows by now, Julian is moving to the North Shore, home of his family and childhood friends, to start a new adventure with the UU Church of Greater Lynn. I've enjoyed working with Julian my first two years here— his flexibility, warm and loving spirit, professionalism, musicality, and deep love for Unitarian Universalism have added to the joy of my first two years working here. Julian will be missed by all and we wish him well.

Consistently warmer days will hopefully soon be with us, but whether or not they come, many of us will vary our schedules over the summer for some rest and relaxation. I am no exception and some of my time away will also include service to First Parish beginning with attending Ministry Days and General Assembly in New Orleans. Below is a schedule so you can keep track of me. I should always (cell towers allowing) be available via phone for an emergency and we have the pastoral care team available in my absence.

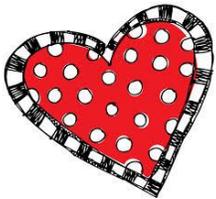
- June 18 (evening) - June 25: Ministry Days and General Assembly in New Orleans
- July 8 - August 22: 4 weeks of vacation and two weeks of study leave. During part of this time I'll be traveling to Europe to see my son who has been studying in Germany, gardening, reading in preparation for the coming year, and having some outdoor adventures with my family.
- August 27: back in the pulpit.



Since Julian is leaving, we are in the process of looking for our next DRE. The job has been posted and we hope to be interviewing candidates the last week of June with a start date of August 1. If you have any input regarding the job description, please don't hesitate to contact me.

Finally, I want to thank everyone for another good year. We celebrated our 375<sup>th</sup> year as a gathered congregation. We had some challenges around the national election, but we talked with each other and did our best to embody the inherent worth of every person as well as living into our covenant of walking with one another in love. Our annual meeting went well on Sunday and we continue to live our faith through "worship, community and service" to the best of our abilities. I am so glad to be with you. Happy 375<sup>th</sup>!!!

Blessings and love,  
Rev. Lise



## CARING CORNER

Quick healing to Phoebe Houston who broke her arm last week.

Our thoughts are with Bill Montuori. Bill has recently moved to The Village in Duxbury (290 Kingstown Way, #136, Duxbury, MA 02332) and has had a couple of medical issues. He is doing well on all counts and welcomes visits at his new home.

We keep Betsy Gordon in our thoughts as she undergoes another eye surgery on June 7<sup>th</sup>.

Denise Rachel is being treated this summer for recurring cancer - hoping this brings some relief and healing.

Speedy rehab for Prue Miller, who will be having knee replacement surgery on July 10.

Healing thoughts to new member John Micek, husband of Nancy Fuller, who underwent

successful triple bypass surgery on Sunday, June 3. John has been prescribed 8 weeks of recovery time which he will fulfill in their home in Estes Park, CO. They thank everyone for their thoughts and prayers and welcome cards and letters at 1170 Fairway Club Circle, Estes Park, CO 80517.

We have learned of the death of Karen Kimball who was an active member of our church in the 80's and 90's. She was instrumental in starting the annual Compassionate Friends service at First Parish for those who suffered the loss of a child. The lovely sun dial outside Rev. Lise's office window was placed there in memory of her son Ben. Further information may be found at <http://magounbiggins.tributes.com/obituary/show/Karen-Kimball-104841530>

Congratulations to Don and Joan Messinger on the arrival of granddaughter Edie, born May 28 to son Ben and daughter-in-law Jane!

Over the summer months it is important for us to keep in touch. If you have news of concern or celebration, please contact any member of the Pastoral Care Team (Sue Robinson - [artsue45@hotmail.com](mailto:artsue45@hotmail.com) or 781-294-8840, Rev. Lise Adams Sherry - [lsherry@uuma.org](mailto:lsherry@uuma.org) or 503-999-2061, Marcia Babcock, Noel Constantino, Betsey Detwiler, Joanne Howard and Joyce Hockman).



## FROM THE BOOKKEEPER

Please submit any receipts for reimbursement to Donna McDonald in the Church Office by **Monday, June 26**. This will allow her to close out FY2017 in a timely manner. You may either leave receipts on her desk, or scan and email them. Contact her with any questions at [donna@firstparishnorwell.org](mailto:donna@firstparishnorwell.org).



## GOLF TOURNAMENT 2017

Once again, the Silver Chalice of golfing superiority is back up for grabs. The Annual First Parish Golf Tournament is **Saturday, June 24** at Squirrel Run Golf Course in Plymouth. Tee off at 1:00 pm. \$100.00 per golfer includes dinner in the Parish Hall of steak or swordfish, or come to dinner only for \$25.00. BYOB. Corporate sponsors are needed at \$50 per hole. Sign up ASAP with Don Messinger, Deane Howard or John Meddaugh.



2016 Champions Bernie Gardner, Don Messinger and Bob Neely

## LOOKING FOR POTENTIAL FPN “STEWARDS”!

We have been talking a lot about *stewardship* at church this year and are looking for any interested church members and friends to attend a “brainstorming” session on the subject. The long-term goal is to help take this concept of stewardship at FPN to the next level. Our idea session will take place on **Thursday, June 15** at 7pm in the Fogg Parlor.

Going into FY18, the Parish Committee would like to continue to focus on our own culture of stewardship, which in its more simplified definition is about managing and taking care of our beloved church. In an effort to provide more energy to this endeavor, while being innovative, we have created a few initial

discussion points to begin the conversation on stewardship. These include:

- Possible formation of a temporary task force, ad-hoc committee or a permanent (sub)committee which could continue to focus on stewardship for the long term.
- As this group would relate to the finance committee, we could discuss how that would look and how they would plan to work with the finance committee.
- Explore/instigate the idea of regularly contacting parish members about stewardship (as was suggested by several folks at our winter cottage meetings).
- Organize a stewardship consultant from the UUA to come speak to our entire parish for a weekend event to enliven and strengthen our stewardship process, targeting this fall.

There are other ideas to share as well, and we certainly welcome your thoughts and opinions! Please RSVP to Les Taylor at [lestaylor@me.com](mailto:lestaylor@me.com) if you are able to join us. Childcare may be arranged upon advance request (but please make any requests by the end of the day on 6/13). Should you not be able to attend the June 15 meeting, please feel free to email your ideas and thoughts to Les regarding ways you think stewardship should be addressed at First Parish in the coming year. Thank you!



Please check the lost and found bin, located under the Welcome Table outside the Parish Hall, as well as the hooks near the bathrooms. Any unclaimed items will be

properly disposed of once the Church Office closes later this month.

## FROM THE PARISH COMMITTEE CHAIR

Wow, it is hard to believe this historic church year is coming to an end. It has been a very eventful 375<sup>th</sup> year with more activities than I can remember in my 15 years at First Parish. Although it is not “Thanksgiving” time, being thankful is what I am feeling as we close this year.

Thank you to all the committee chairs and members who go “above and beyond” with their contributions in supporting the life of this church. Your time, effort and dedication does not go unnoticed. You are the lifeblood of this church, many times working behind the scenes, and are so vital to us.

Thank you, especially, to the Parish Committee for all the (at times) tough and difficult work we undertake as the governing board of First Parish... and for supporting me as Chair. A special thank you to Elizabeth Robey, whose time is ending on our committee, for her excellent four years of service and contribution. And to Dexter Robinson, who filled out a remaining one-year term this past year, whose support, knowledge and guidance was invaluable (and his service to the church as Clerk for the past *40 years* is simply astounding!). Thank you!

Thank you to all the church administration and staff for your excellent, dedicated work. In particular, Rev. Lise, in her second year here, gave her all and seemed omnipresent in all things First Parish. Her passion, ideas and good humor particularly stand out and are very much valued. To Julian Baptista, our departing Director of Religious Education, I thank you for your four years of service, dedication and contribution to improve and grow our RE program. You will be missed... good luck to you, kind sir!

Thank you to all the church members and friends for your dedication, time and energy in making our church what it is. Your support is very much appreciated. Although we will always strive to grow and improve, we will also continue to work diligently at keeping

First Parish the special place that it is and has been for 375 years.

Thank you!

In fellowship and love,  
Les Taylor



## ASSISTANCE WITH MEDIA CENTER NEEDED

Since Julian will be taking a new job, we are in need of a few people who could assist with setting up the Media Center in the Parish Hall for church related events. Currently the system has been used by multiple groups/events including the Alliance, Helen Fogg Service Committee, memorial service collations, Men’s Group, and Finance Committee to name a few. Julian took care of many of the requests from these groups. We need a few people who could step in and assist with the setup as it is not possible for one person to handle all the requests. Dexter Robinson will be stepping away from being responsible for the system. You do not have to be a super technical geek to operate it. Much of it works like a home entertainment center. If you are interested or want more information contact Dexter (781-294-8840 or [dexpcdoc@gmail.com](mailto:dexpcdoc@gmail.com).)



## SUMMER OFFICE SCHEDULE

The Church Office will close for the traditional summer vacation **on Wednesday, June 21**. After that, Hope and Donna will be in the office for a brief period once a week. They will usually be in on Wednesdays, but that may change due to travel plans, so we suggest calling or emailing first. They will NOT be checking voice mails or emails remotely. Regular office hours will resume after Labor Day on **Wednesday, September 6**.



## HELEN FOGG SERVICE COMMITTEE

*A summer challenge -  
how can your family  
use \$20 to brighten  
someone's day?*

At the end of each church year, the Helen Fogg Service Committee decides how to allocate money remaining in its budget. We usually divide this money among a few worthy causes. This year we're bringing the entire congregation into the picture. At our Sunday, June 11 worship service, each family (individual, couple or larger family) will be offered an envelope containing a \$20 bill and asked to use that money to brighten someone's day during the summer. You will also find a **story page** which we hope you will fill out and bring back to church in September, telling your family's story of how you used the \$20. There are no other "instructions." How creative can you be? How many different ways can we, as a congregation, find to spread our care? To get you started with ideas, here are a few suggestions we have already received:

1. Buy 2 or 3 small plants to take to a nursing home. Ask the people at the desk for people who would appreciate a plant and a short visit.
2. Buy food, or buy or make toys for an animal shelter.
3. Buy fresh fruit and/or make sandwiches to hand out to street people in or around Boston.
4. Join with another family or two. Pool your ideas and money to plan a joint project.  
Ideas:
  - a. Hold a craft day or picnic or group birthday party for a group such as Carolina Hill.
  - b. Buy seeds and plant a group garden. Care for it all summer, and donate the fresh vegetables to a food pantry or soup kitchen.
5. Buy supplies for a lemonade stand – perhaps double your money. Then decide

again how to use THAT money to help someone.

In September, we will make a bulletin board with our Summer Challenge family stories. (If you must miss the June 11<sup>th</sup> service, you can stop by the Church Office during its regular business hours to pick up your family's envelope.)

Thank you to everyone who contributed to a very successful full year of outreach at FPNUU. Thank you for your work, which makes a difference in the lives of those we touch; thank you for your time in meetings, which enables outreach; and thank you for your patience with the process of doing good through volunteers, which compounds your impact by helping us volunteers give back too!

Please check out the **CHALICE** board on Sunday and see which of the areas interests you. Or, if you have a passion, let us help you turn your passion into action. If during the church year you would like to have a say in how we do outreach in our community, please join us! Meetings are at 11:30 am after Coffee Hour, usually the second Sunday of each month. Why not join us and check us out? Questions? Ask any committee member!

Committee members are: Bev Gardner, Jack Wallace (chair), Marcia Babcock, Scott Babcock, Debbie Chase, Penny Corbett, Pat Crumley, Alex Gordon, Bill Montuori, Jeannette Mitchell, Cathie DiMassa, Elizabeth Robey (liaison with the Parish Committee), and Lise Adams Sherry (Minister).

If folks have input on our search and requirements for our new DRE, please contact Rev. Lise as soon as possible, at [lsberry@uuma.org](mailto:lsberry@uuma.org). You can view the full job posting [here:](http://www.firstparishnorwell.org/DRE-job-FPN-6-17.pdf)  
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## SUMMER WORSHIP 2017

Are you wondering what's happening at First Parish of Norwell, Unitarian Universalist, this summer? We're still fleshing out a few details, but we know services will be at **10 am** (except for the regatta) and multigenerational, with no separate baby care. Here's a sneak preview!

July 2: Celebrating Our Country with Rev. Lise  
July 9: Fresh Air and Fellowship - come join us for a walk in Norris Reservation or a discussion in the Parish Hall

July 16: The Hebrew Bible and the Challenges of Nationalism with David Turner

July 23: Ya Gotta Regatta! Join us on the North River for paddling or a float and a picnic lunch. **Time to be announced;** it will depend on the tides. Look for more details in a future iSpi.

July 30: Guest speaker and newly-ordained minister, Rev. Jo VonRue

August 6: Fresh Air and Fellowship - Meet at the Norris Reservation parking lot at 10 am. We'll leave promptly on a walk through the Norris Reservation to the Gordon's house where there will be music provided by Alex along with refreshments. We'll return on foot through Reservation to Norris parking lot. Expect to be back about 11:30 am. If raining, come directly to their house at 10:00 for music, refreshments and fellowship. If weather is uncertain, check to see if Betsy is waiting at the Norris parking lot for you. If not, continue to the Gordon home at 111 Chittenden Lane, Norwell.

August 13: The Gospel of Thomas and Democracy with David Turner

August 20: Fresh Air and Fellowship - come join us for a walk in Norris Reservation or a discussion in the Parish Hall

August 27: Topic TBD with Rev. Lise

September 3: Third annual potluck breakfast and church clean-up from 10 am to 12:30 pm.



## SUMMER PUBLICATION SCHEDULE

This issue of the Spire that you are reading is the last of the church year. Our summer schedule for both the Spire and the iSpi is listed below. Please note that the deadlines are strict, due to Hope's limited summer schedule.

**Thursday, June 15:** iSpi sent (deadline is Wednesday, June 14 at 9 am)

**Wednesday, June 28:** iSpi sent (deadline is that same morning at 9 am SHARP)

**Wednesday, July 12:** iSpi sent (deadline is that same morning at 9 am SHARP)

**Wednesday, July 26:** iSpi sent (deadline is that same morning at 9 am SHARP)

**Wednesday, August 16:** Spire sent out (deadline is Monday, August 14)

**Wednesday, September 6:** Spire sent out (deadline is Monday, September 4)

Please contact Hope with any questions at 781-659-7122 or [office@firstparishnorwell.org](mailto:office@firstparishnorwell.org).



## GENERAL ASSEMBLY UPDATE

Your delegates for General Assembly, Jim and Joyce Pickel, and Elizabeth Robinson are looking forward to representing First Parish in New Orleans at the end of June! We're eager to hear from all of you about what topics or issues you are most interested in having us explore there. Visit <http://www.uua.org/ga/program/book> to view the full agenda and/or feel free to snag one of us at Coffee Hour! Thank you!

*We're all just walking each other home.*

*~Ram Dass*



## FROM THE DRE

Hello First Parish!

It's been a wonderful year, but we're coming right up on the end of our church year. Soon we'll be relaxing over the warm summer season, and many of our Sunday mornings will be filled with nature walks on our Fresh Air and Fellowship Sundays, new perspectives from our lay-led services, and events like the Regatta. But we still have another month of RE!

First up, on **Friday, June 9** is our monthly Game Night Potluck where you bring your favorite food and games to share with your First Parish community. The event runs from 5:30 to 7:30, but some folks stay even longer, so don't hesitate to come over and bring some friends too!

Our First Parish Youth Group just had their last regular meeting, but there's still the End of Year Party on **Sunday, June 11** at 1pm! This party is for all of our outgoing, and incoming youth for next year, so if you're going into 9<sup>th</sup> grade, this is a great opportunity to meet the folks you'll be spending a lot of time with next year! The party will take place at the home of Scituate Youth Group advisor Veronica at 29 Mordecai Lincoln Rd, Scituate, MA 02066.

Next, you will not want to miss the last session of the Adult RE program "What We Choose" concluding on **Tuesday, June 13** at noon. Whether it's deciding if it is ethical for every person to steal a single paperclip, or something a little more personal; UUs have a hard road to travel. We do not have a creed dictating what is right, so we must decide the best course for ourselves based off of the best sources we have. All are welcome, and the program is free of charge, so feel free to bring friends!

Some very exciting news is that we have teachers lined up for every class for the 2017-18 church year. While these teaching slots are

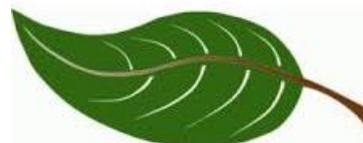
filled, we still have space for extra folks who want to be involved in teaching. We have shifted to a new teaching schedule for the coming year, where each class will teach the entire year, however we have slotted in enough teachers for each class that each volunteer needs to lead only approximately one lesson per month. This will get even easier with more hands, so don't hesitate to sign up if you're a veteran teacher, you haven't taught in years, and want to get back into it, or if it would be your very first time!

The overarching theme for all Sunday School classes next church year will be Unitarian Universalist Identity. This means that all Sunday School classes will be using curricula based around the historic figures of Unitarian Universalism and how our religion has developed over the centuries. As always, we'll still discuss the important holidays and belief systems of a wide variety of religions, but the emphasis for the year will be placed on how we UUs fit into the world, and make it a better place.

Finally, don't forget the RE Picnic, following our worship service on **Sunday, June 18**. Join us for lots of food, fun and time to gather as our whole community. The RE program (and many other friends and helpers) will provide tons of great sandwiches, salads and treats for all ages, so make sure to stay after church, and bring a friend too! If you'd like to help with setup, or make something to bring, talk with Elizabeth Robey or myself.

Thank you to everyone who has made this such an amazing year. I can't wait to see you all at church!

Julian Baptista  
Director of Religious Education





## TRIVIA NIGHT AND POTLUCK

Calling all First Parish families! Come share good food, good company and some fun at an all-church family potluck. Join us on **Saturday, September 23** in the Parish Hall at 5:30 pm. We especially welcome newer families. Come get to know us better. The Activities Committee is coordinating this fun event, so mark it on your calendar now!



## MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE UPDATE

OLD name tags: Quick FYI: the old names tags that have been removed from the board this year to make room for new ones have not been tossed. They are bagged up and safety tucked away. Should you wish for them for sentimental or practical reasons, please let someone from membership know and we will track it down.

NEW name tags: Do you still need a new blue name tag? We will get it for you! Please email your preferred spelling and preference of pin vs magnet to the committee at [membership@firstparishnorwell.org](mailto:membership@firstparishnorwell.org).

New Members of 2016-2017 church year will be recognized on Flower Communion Sunday, which is this **Sunday, June 11**.

Want to become a member of First Parish of Norwell? Anyone wanting to become a member should let someone from Membership Committee know or speak directly to Rev. Lise.

Summer planning: The Membership Committee intends to meet over the summer. Why?

- to work on ideas for the website
- to brainstorm expanding the membership brochure to include information on expenses of the church

and how members pledges meet those needs,

- to set goals for the upcoming year.
- If you have recommendations and suggestions for the Membership Committee's work for 2017-2018, please be in touch with one of us!

Committee work: Are you interested in joining the membership committee for next year? Being a greeter or junior greeter? Let us know!

Thank you to all the members, friends and visitors who've walked through our doors this year. If the Meetinghouse could speak, our stories of this year would be added to her very long and sacred tale. Wishing you each a summer which nourishes you!

Gabrielle Millins  
Membership Committee Chair



## FPNUU FAMILY PHOTO

Here, at First Parish, we are about to close out this part of our exciting 375<sup>th</sup> birthday celebration year. Keeping with that celebration we would like to get a picture of our **entire** congregation together during our service on **Sunday, June 18**. That Sunday is an Outreach Sunday, and our CHALICE Social Justice Committee on LGBTQ Issues will be involved in the service. We will be having speakers from SShAGLY (South Shore Alliance of Gay and Lesbian Youth).

What better way to show support for:

- 1) Our beautiful and beloved church here at First Parish of Norwell. This picture will proudly stand next to our other group pictures from our 1992 (350<sup>th</sup>), 1967 (325<sup>th</sup>) and 1942 (300<sup>th</sup>) birthday years!
- 2) Our church's commitment to being a "Welcoming Congregation" and "Standing on The Side of Love".

We need your participation in this! Wear either red, orange, yellow, green, blue or purple (shirts, blouses or sweaters). Varying shades of these colors are OK too. Wear your 375<sup>th</sup> FPNUU birthday shirt if you wish (the gray ones are ok, we'll all blend in). Families don't have to wear all the same color, but they could if they want to!

We know it's the last Sunday of the church calendar, and it's Father's Day, and it's our "End of Year Picnic"... but let's also add "...and it's the Sunday we took our picture for our 375<sup>th</sup> Celebration!"

Children will be let out of their RE classes early to join their families. This should take only 10 minutes or so.

Any questions, please see Mary Nickerson.



Kudos and thanks to all who participated in the "Tastes of 1642" dinner on May 6. Sincere thanks and

acknowledgement of their efforts are owed to the following people for their part in making the event a complete success:

Roberta Fairbanks - for her lovely table settings, which made the dining room look so special, and for also helping prepare the food and "work the kitchen" on May 6

Joyce and Jim Pickel - for showing up at just the right time on May 6 and helping with food prep, serving table set up and clean up

Jack Wallace and Meg Mattern - for doing a spectacular job setting and replenishing the serving table, making homemade colonial bread and pitching in all evening whenever they could be helpful

Steve Forti - for providing the venison and wild boar meat

Debi Meddaugh, Sue Sulc, Joan Messinger, Meredith Atkinson and Mary Nickerson - for making Indian pudding for dessert

Donna Wilson and Tommie Magazu - advance food prep

Dexter Robinson, Don Messinger, Bob Neely, Peter Fairbanks, Tommie Magazu and others - kitchen help and clean up

Marie Miller - for sharing her special talent with children to produce Broadway-quality entertainment for the evening

Actors - for performing like troopers, with little rehearsal time, to put on a playlet that was both entertaining and informative, giving us many insights into daily life in the Plymouth Colony:

Narrator/Emcee: Nora Carroll-Millins

Pilgrim Boy: Liam Carey

Pilgrim Boy: Otto Slade

Pilgrim Girl: Ruby Carroll-Millins

Native American Boy: Brennan Carroll-Millins

Native American Boy: Maddox Houston

## OUR MISSION STATEMENT

First Parish of Norwell is a religious community where adults, youth and children can evolve spiritually, morally, and intellectually through worship, education, and service to the community and the world. Recognizing no distinction of class, sex, nationality, race, age or sexual orientation, we are a welcoming congregation that stresses the need for community amidst the impersonality of the secular world.

We unite to:

- Create a safe place in which to nurture our spirituality and celebrate life's passages.
- Provide a place where all persons are accepted and respected and can find mutual care and support.
- Welcome and gather strength from diversity.
- Sustain and promote Unitarian Universalist principles and purposes and participate in the larger fellowship of the Unitarian Universalist Association.
- Be a forum for the discussion of contemporary issues and a catalyst for social action.
- Support outreach to the community, to both children and adults, and through educational and artistic programs of both the performing and fine arts.

This mission is grounded in a nearly four hundred year history as a congregation.

**JUNE 2017**

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
			7 Dancers, PH 7-9 pm  Book Group, FP 7 pm	8	9  Piano lessons, PH 3-5 pm  Game Night/Potluck, PH 5:30-7:30 pm	10
11 <b>FLOWER COMMUNION &amp; NEW MEMBER RECOGNITION</b>  Morning Service & Church School 10 am  Coffee Hour, PH 11 am  RE Comm., Sky. 11:30 am  RE Party, 1 pm @ 29 Mordecai Lincoln Rd., Scituate	12 Parish Comm., FP 7 pm  AA, PH 8:30 pm	13 Tai Chi, PH, 9:15 am  Knitters, FP 9:30 am  Adult RE, FP 12 pm  Ministers' Mtg., FP 2 pm  Dancers, PH 6-8 pm  CHALICE - Gun Violence, Ofc. 7 pm	14 Dancers, PH 7-9 pm  iSpi deadline, 9 am	15 Stewardship Mtg., FP 7 pm	16 Piano lessons, PH 3-5 pm	17 Norwell Summer Fest in Norwell Ctr. 2-8 pm  
18 <b>OUTREACH SUNDAY</b>  Morning Service, Church School & FPN Family Photo 10 am  RE Picnic 11 am	19 AA, PH 8:30 pm	20 Tai Chi, PH 9:15 am  Knitters, FP 9:30 am  Dancers, PH 6-8 pm  CHALICE - Gun Violence, Ofc. 7 pm	21 <b>CHURCH OFFICE CLOSES</b>  <i>First day of summer!</i>  Dancers, PH 7-9 pm	22	23 Piano lessons, PH 3-5 pm	24 Golf Tournament Tee off 1 pm Dinner in PH (evening)  
25 GA Worship Service live streamed in PH <b>10-11:30 am</b>  	26 AA, PH 8:30 pm	27 Tai Chi, PH 9:15 am  Knitters, FP 9:30 am	28 iSpi deadline 9 am  Dancers, PH 7-9 pm	29	30	July 1
2 Summer Worship Svc. w/ Rev. Lise, MH 10 am	3	4 	5	6	7	8