



**First Parish in Cambridge  
Unitarian Universalist  
Weekly Announcements  
Virtual Links  
November 20, 2020**

## **November 22, 2020 Virtual Service**

**On the Margins  
Rev. Adam Lawrence Dyer**

Do we do more harm when we speak of “marginalized” groups? Is there a way to heal the wound of marginalization through a different approach?

This virtual service will be available on our YouTube channel late on Saturday, November 22. Follow this [link](#).

Join us at 11:00 am on Sunday, November 22 for our weekly sermon discussion. There is time for large group commenting and small group discussion. Zoom meeting ID: **155 025 783**



## **SPECIAL CONGREGATIONAL MEETING - November 22 at NOON**

Members of the congregation are notified that a special congregational meeting of First Parish in Cambridge will be held **Sunday, November 22, 2020 at Noon via Zoom.**

**REGISTER for this meeting by following this [link](#).**

There is only one agenda item: To approve the following motion from the Building Team and the Development Team:

*"We, the congregation of First Parish Cambridge, Unitarian Universalist, hereby approve the design presented by Torrey Architecture on September 20, 2020 for the Massachusetts Avenue Entrance, Tower, and Steeple Project and we authorize the Governing Board to proceed with the necessary work to enable the project to move forward."*

Anyone can attend this special meeting but only voting members in good standing will receive a link to vote. Voting members must have officially joined First Parish and have made a financial contribution of record within 12 months of the meeting.



## **November Shared Offering**

This month we will support the **United American Indians of New England** (UAINE). UAINE is an organization of and led by Native people and their supporters. The goal of UAINE is to fight back against racism towards native people, the issues of the Pilgrim mythology perpetuated in Plymouth, and the United States assault on poor people. They also are fighting for the freedom of [Leonard Peltier](#) as well as other [political prisoners](#). They work to support Indigenous struggles in New England and throughout America. They welcome the support of indigenous people from all parts of the Americas as well as the support from non-Native people. They strongly believe they must support others in struggle, particularly other communities of color, the LGBTQ community and the disabled community.

Funds raised in November will be used to specifically support the UAINE 2020-2021 Fundraising Campaign. The funds will go to support efforts to livestream the 51st

National Day of Mourning on November 26, expenses for Indigenous Peoples Day campaigns and events, efforts to support legislation, and the many other activities that may be undertaken during the course of the year. UAINE receives no funding from the government and relies solely on the support of others. There are no paid staff members of UAINE. To make a donation, follow this [link](#). Please note, UAINE is not a tax-deductible organization.

### **More about the 51st National Day of Mourning, November 26, 2020**

Since 1970, Native Americans and our supporters have gathered at noon on Cole's Hill in Plymouth to commemorate a National Day of Mourning on the US thanksgiving holiday. Many Native Americans do not celebrate the arrival of the Pilgrims and other European settlers. Thanksgiving day is a reminder of the genocide of millions of Native people, the theft of Native lands, and the relentless assault on Native culture. Participants in National Day of Mourning honor Native ancestors and the struggles of Native peoples to survive today. It is a day of remembrance and spiritual connection as well as a protest of the racism and oppression which Native Americans continue to experience.



On Wednesday, **November 25, at 7:00 pm** the worship team will host a **Restorative Vespers** service. This contemplative virtual space will focus on creative visualization, breathing, sharing and holding silence. Our hope is that this space will be a bit of an oasis from news, work, or feeling isolated as we head through this time. Please use the following meeting ID to join this hour long gathering. Meeting ID: **837 0579 5836**



## **HARVEST THE POWER JUSTICE CONVERGENCE AND TEACH IN November 19-26**

In 2016, Unitarian Universalists voted to pay special attention to learning our history and rethinking Thanksgiving in the year 2020, in observance of the 400th anniversary of the Pilgrims landing in Plymouth.

As we enter this season of gratitude and care it is important that we come together as a faithful justice movement to strengthen our strategies, our commitments to justice and equity, and our impacts. Now is the perfect time to gather and think together virtually, and to begin celebrating differently, given that usual travels and traditions for Thanksgiving holidays are already ostensibly canceled/altered by a rampant pandemic.

[FULL LIST OF ACTIVITIES](#)



### **Welcome Team**

Welcome Team hosts a social gathering on Zoom at 4:00 pm on Sunday, November 22.

### **Parenting Support Group**

Parenting Support Group continues to meet at 4:00 pm on Sundays. Email [Carrie Fisher](#) if you have any questions.

### **Social Gathering on Zoom**

Join Ed Koenig on Monday, November 23, at 5:00 pm for a social gathering on Zoom. The topic is "Our fondest memories of the church".



### **Calendar of Virtual Meetings\***

#### **Friday, November 20**

5:00 pm Soul Matters - Susan S - **Meeting ID - 880 5702 2559**

#### **Saturday, November 21**

9:00 am Soul Matters - Heidi B - **Meeting ID - 930 6884 9214**

#### **Sunday November 22**

- 8:30 am Weekly Meditation with Stacey - contact [Stacey Jackson-Flammia](#)
- 11:00 am Sunday Morning Discussion - **Meeting ID 155 025 783**
- 12:00 pm Special Congregational Meeting
- 12:00 pm Youth Group - *all participants must be registered in our RE program. Meeting information is available from the group leader.*
- 4:00 pm Welcome Team Social Gathering - **Meeting ID - 846 1596 4213**
- 4:00 pm Parenting Support Group - **Meeting ID 860 2402 898**

#### **Monday November 23**

5:00 pm Zoom Social Gathering - **Meeting ID 837 1976 8327**

#### **Wednesday, November 25**

- 7:00 pm Restorative Vespers - **Meeting ID - 837 0579 5836**
- 7:00 pm Soul Matters - Lindsay - **Meeting ID - 869 4089 9644**

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### **\*Information for All Virtual Meetings**

We are listing Meeting ID's for all Zoom virtual meetings rather than an actual link.  
To log on follow these steps:

- Go to [Zoom.us](https://zoom.us) This will bring you to the Zoom homepage
- Click on **Join Meeting** tab
- You will then be prompted to **add a Meeting ID**. Enter the ID and click **JOIN**
- In most cases you will then be in a waiting room until the host of the meeting admits you to the meeting. This is for security purposes