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### WEEKLY UPDATE 09/22/2016

#### SUNDAY NEWS

#### ***SUNDAY WORSHIP SERVICE: 10:30 AM***

**September 25 *Why Race; Why Now?* Linda Cavaiolo, Guest Speaker**



Linda Cavaioli is the Executive Director of the YWCA of Central Massachusetts. The mission of the YWCA is eliminating racism and empowering women. The YWCA seeks to go beyond changing hearts and minds to transforming communities, systems, and public policy through the programs and services that it offers. Each year, 76 percent of women and children served by the YWCAs nationally have incomes below the federal poverty level. Organized by the Program Committee, this is a service with an important message that shouldn't be missed.

#### ***RELIGIOUS EDUCATION UPDATE***

**Religious education classes will meet this weekend.** Families will begin the service together in the Sanctuary and the children and youth will leave for their classes following the Time for All Ages.

Beginning this weekend, the 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> grade religious education students will be **holding a book drive to benefit Friends of the Westborough Public Library**. They will be collecting new and gently used books for all ages in donation boxes around the church until October 30<sup>th</sup>.



**RE Families:** Please be sure to pick up a Program Handbook from Jenna if you have not done so already.

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We are offering nursery care for babies and toddlers during worship services this year, and **we are in need of nursery volunteers!** If you have any interest in helping out in the nursery, then please email Jenna at [jennawrean@gmail.com](mailto:jennawrean@gmail.com). We appreciate your help!



**We are in need of teaching volunteers for our Spirit Play class!** If you have any interest in joining the teaching team for our Pre-K through 2<sup>nd</sup> Grade religious education class this year, then please email Jenna at [jennawrean@gmail.com](mailto:jennawrean@gmail.com). Thank you!



**Youth Choir** is starting again! This church year we will have 3-5 performances. The first will be during service on November 6. The Adult Choir and Youth Choir will sing a song together! **We will have 4 practices for the youth, starting October 16, BEFORE church at 10 AM sharp.** This is for youth of any age! Seriously, if you aren't an adult and are interested in singing, please come sing with us! Contact Ann Maloney at [ann.maloney@gmail.com](mailto:ann.maloney@gmail.com) if you are interested.

## OTHER UUCSW HAPPENINGS

### ***HABITAT FOR HUMANITY BUILD: October 15, 2016***

We are committed to sending a team to the Habitat for Humanity build in Auburn, MA on **Saturday October 15, 2016.** We have been assigned a site working on a duplex and it is likely we will all be working indoors.



The schedule is as follows:

**Full Day:** The build day will run from 8:00am-4pm, volunteers will break for lunch around 12pm. **OR Split Shifts:** 8:00am-12pm and 12:45pm-4pm. Lunch will be from 12pm-12:45, both shifts are encouraged to come together for lunch.

Here is what you need to do to be a part of the UUCSW team:

- 1) Let Ed Walsh ([walshnboro@gmail.com](mailto:walshnboro@gmail.com)) know if you are interested in half day (which half) or full day participation.
- 2) Print out a safety waiver, fill it in and get it back to Ed -- one form for everyone in your party. If you did not receive an email with the waiver attached, let Ed Walsh or Rev. Bev know and we will get one to you.

### ***COMMITTEE CHAIRS***



Meeting dates and times needed. It is important for scheduling purposes for all committee chairs to let Tracy Loban, Office Asst. know when and where you plan to meet as far in advance as possible. As many of you are aware, meeting space at the church is limited. This year our renter, the Indian Dance group, is requesting additional/substitute weekday evening times. If your meeting is not on the calendar, you may just show up to find enthusiastic and energetic Indian dancers in the Chapel which does make it difficult to have other meetings in the building. Email Tracy at [UUCSWestboro@verizon.net](mailto:UUCSWestboro@verizon.net) to get your meetings onto the church calendar.

## OTHER UUCSW HAPPENINGS

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### **FALL YARD SALE: Saturday, October 22<sup>nd</sup>**



Despite rumors to the contrary, the fall yard sale is happening on Saturday October 22<sup>nd</sup>. Rev. Bev and the Board are committed to making this a success.

It does not have to be exactly as in previous years. It does not even need to make as much money as last year....or it could make more.

**What we are asking is that every committee commits at least one committee member to spend at least two hours doing at least one task connected to the yard sale. These tasks include:**

- 1) Retrieve items reserved for us by the Westborough Community Chorus from the Harvey Building, 20 Philips Street (small truck or large van would be ideal)
- 2) Price items for sale
- 3) Work at the sale
- 4) Cleanup after the sale – taking items to the dump or to Savers or arranging pickup by a non-profit organization such as the Epilepsy Foundation or Big Brothers Big Sisters.

This fund-raiser benefits us all. Let's all pitch in and make it a success. Please contact Sharon Barrett or Rev. Bev to volunteer.

### **MOVIE NIGHT: Friday, September 30<sup>th</sup>**

**Friday, September 30<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 PM at the home of Paula and Jim Kirk.**

Our first offering is *Blade Runner*, a film noir / science fiction feature directed by Ridley Scott exploring the philosophy and moral implications of religion and the question of what it means to be Human.

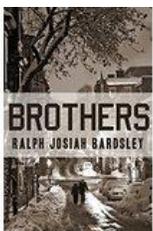


### **UUS AT LUNCH: Wednesday, October 12<sup>th</sup>**



It is nice to be back again with our monthly lunch gatherings. On **Wednesday October 12<sup>th</sup>, we will meet at 11:30 AM at the Chateau** on Route 9 westbound here in Westboro. All are welcome, and we hope many will join us for a pleasant time. Please contact Mary Tribe (508) 329-1646, or e-mail: [marytribe5@gmail.com](mailto:marytribe5@gmail.com) by Saturday, October 8, to let us know whether or not you will be coming, so we can make our reservations. *Thank you!*

### **BOOK GROUP: Friday, October 14<sup>th</sup>**



**Brothers** by Ralph Josiah Bardsley

***R.J. Bardsley will be attending to discuss his book with the group.*** Book Group is open to all, so please join us. This is a casual group that enjoys good discussion, good food and drink, and, especially, good company. **RSVP:** If you are planning to attend for the first time, please email: [juditheacake@gmail.com](mailto:juditheacake@gmail.com).

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### ***COME SING A SONG WITH US! Open Choir Rehearsal***



Wondering what it is like to sing in the UUCSW choir? Would you like to try it out but cannot imagine singing every Sunday? Here is some good news. Music Director Abby Gower and the choir “regulars” warmly and enthusiastically invite you to an open choir rehearsal. Come experience a typical Sunday in the UUCSW choir. No previous choir experience necessary. No ability to read music necessary. **It is simple – come Sunday October 2nd at 9 AM**, rehearse with the choir, find out how much fun it is, and then decide for yourself if you want to continue or just enjoy this one-time opportunity.

## OPPORTUNITIES IN THE WIDER COMMUNITY

### ***WOMEN OF NOTE: performing this Saturday September 24th***



Robin Fleming’s acapella chorus invites all members (young and old) who love show music to attend their annual show **this coming Saturday evening, at 7:30 PM** at Hudson High School, at #1 Tiger Drive, Maynard, MA. **Tickets are \$20, \$15 for students and seniors.** Award-winning men’s and women’s quartets will be featured, and there will be awesome refreshments and raffle baskets available!

### ***THE JIMMY FUND WALK: We Need Your Help!***



The Jimmy Fund Walk is **this Sunday September 25th**, and we have \$950 in pledges so far! That's great! I'm so grateful to everyone who's donated! Our goal is \$1,500, and I am not one to back down from goals. **That means we have just a few days to raise the remaining \$550.** I think we can do it! My Mom is walking this year and my Dad and I will be stationed at Mile Marker 16 cheering people on, it's going to be fantastic! All you have to do is.... [Click here to donate](#). *Thank you – Corrine Sciarappa*