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WEEKLY UPDATE 11/17/2016

SUNDAY NEWS

SUNDAY NOVEMBER 20TH WORSHIP SERVICE: 10:30 AM



The very active UUCSW Youth Group is delighted to present this week's service, highlighting all the work they put into planning, raising money toward and participating in the summer service work trip to New Jersey where they helped with the continuing recovery from Hurricane Sandy. This is a group we can all be proud of! Join us and learn about how our youth are putting their Unitarian Universalist faith and values into action.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION UPDATE

The UUCSW Youth Group will lead the worship service this Sunday. They will be sharing a presentation on their Summer 2016 Service Trip.

Religious education classes for grades PreK- 6 will meet this weekend. Families will begin the service together in the Sanctuary, and students in grades PreK- 6 will leave for their classes following the Time For All Ages. **Students in grades 7-8 are invited to attend the entire worship service this weekend, so that they can learn more about the UUCSW Youth Group and the annual summer service trips.**

The religious education students are holding a Food Drive to benefit the Westborough Food Pantry. They will be collecting non-perishable foods in donation boxes around the church throughout the month of November.



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 Kyes at jennawrean@gmail.com. We appreciate your help!

OTHER UUCSW HAPPENINGS

WESTBOROUGH INTERFAITH THANKSGIVING PROGRAM



TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 22nd - 7:30 PM

Rev. Bev and the Westborough Interfaith Clergy Association invite you to this year's Interfaith Thanksgiving Service on **Tuesday, November 22nd** at 7:30 PM at Good Shepherd Lutheran Church, 183 West Main Street. This year's theme is *In Gratitude for Our Common Home*. Please join us!

WESTBOROUGH COMMUNITY THANKSGIVING DINNER

The 46th Westborough Thanksgiving Day dinner will begin at 1:00 PM (Thanksgiving Day) at the Knights of Columbus Hall in Westborough. All are warmly welcome to this free community event. Transportation is available! To make your reservation or schedule a ride, please call: 508-366-3000.



Organizers are also looking for volunteers to serve (11:45 AM to 2:30 PM) and clean-up (1:30 PM to 3:00 PM). To volunteer please contact Joe or Annie Pucciarelli for info (508-366-2852) or Thanksgiving01581@gmail.com. Please call today and make your reservation – or to volunteer for this grand Westborough tradition!

STOP & SHOP GIFT CARDS



REMINDER: Pick up your Stop & Shop gift cards for holiday shopping & gifts from Ken Young.

For every dollar purchased, the church receives 5%.

If you do not personally shop at Stop & Shop you can still join in this easy fundraiser as it is very much appreciated when these cards are added to the monthly offering (1st Sunday of the month) that benefits the Minister's Discretionary Fund.

CHRISTMAS EVE IS COMING!



Yes, we know Thanksgiving is first but we really do need to start planning this early. Rev. Bev and Jenna Kyes are wondering if it is time to start reimagining the Christmas Eve service at UUCSW. We really need to hear from you. What is important to keep? What might you like to see change? Is it child friendly enough – since we only have one service being family-friendly is important. Would you and/or your child(ren) like to participate? Let us know! Speak to or email Rev. Bev (RevBevW@gmail.com) or Jenna Kyes, DRE, (jennawrean@gmail.com) with your thoughts and ideas.

GREETERS/ USHERS

If you cannot support your date and no one can switch with you, please contact Peggy Slack at peggyslack@yahoo.com.

greeters

DATE	Front Door (Head Greeters)	Side Door (Ruggles Street)
11/20	Vince Aquilino & Sylvia Sirigna	Jennifer Tolman
11/27	Kris Allen & Julia Candon	Jerry Breecher

Names in red have not acknowledged the Sunday assigned to date.

OTHER UUCSW HAPPENINGS

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AN IDEA WORTH SPREADING!

TED Ideas worth spreading

Since it's the beginning of cold season, I hope everyone is washing their hands more often! But what about all the paper towels? There are signs in our church bathrooms saying "Save the trees. Use one please." Well, guess what? There's been a *TedTalk* about that! Here's is a link to a short (4 minute) video clip about saving paper towels when drying your hands. http://www.ted.com/talks/joe_smith_how_to_use_a_paper_towel

If you don't want to watch it, here's the gist of the message. **Shake your hands well, use one paper towel, but fold it in half first.** He uses a "big word", but don't worry about the *interstitial suspension*. I've been doing this for about a year now. It really works! – *Erin Gold*

OPPORTUNITIES IN THE WIDER COMMUNITY

300 MITTEN PROJECT

The last day for donating is Monday, December 5th. *If you can get to cleaning out your coat closet, bring in those gently us mittens and gloves!* The Westborough 300th Anniversary Committee is holding a mitten collection drive in honor of the town's 300th Anniversary. We are hoping to collect new or gently used mittens for children and adults. The mittens will be given to those less fortunate in time for the winter holidays. **A collection box is located in the Sanctuary front entrance.** For more information on Westborough's 300th Anniversary please check out our website: [Westborough 300](#). *Thank you* - The Westborough Anniversary Committee



UPCOMING EVENTS & MEETINGS

Sunday, November 20th, 10:30 AM – Sunday Worship Service
Monday, November 21st, 7:00 PM – Adult “OWL”
Tuesday, November 22nd, 7:30 PM – Thanksgiving Interfaith Service (Good Shepard Church)
Wednesday, November 23rd, 6:30 PM – UU Knitting
Monday, November 28th, 7:00 PM – Adult “OWL”
Sunday, December 4th, 12:00 PM – Social Justice Meeting
Monday, December 25^h, 7:00 PM – Adult “OWL”
Wednesday, December 7th, 6:30 PM – Board Meeting
Thursday, December 8th, 7:15 PM – Membership Meeting

GETTING INVOLVED!

- We are in need of Nursery Care volunteers during worship services.
- We are always in need of door greeters. Email Peggy Slacks today!
- The Westborough Community Thanksgiving Dinner is looking for servers.