



## Unitarian Universalist Congregational Society of Westborough

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### WEEKLY UPDATE

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### UPCOMING UUCSW SERVICES

***SUNDAY SEPTEMBER 10<sup>th</sup> – 10:30 AM***

***INGATHERING WORSHIP SERVICE WITH WATER RITUAL***



Join Rev. Bev, Jenna (Director of Religious Education) and Kala (new Director of Music) for our multi-generational ingathering service including a water gathering ritual. **You are invited to bring a small amount of water to mingle in a common bowl.** This water, real or symbolic should represent a place or time that is meaningful to you. Whether you have been coming to UUCSW for a long time, a short time, or this is your first visit, you are welcomed here. Whether you come regularly or sporadically you are welcomed here. In

addition to welcoming many of you back, we will be welcoming our new Music Director, Kala Farnham, on this her first Sunday with us.

**Please note:** this service is planned to end at 11:15 AM so people who need to move their cars or leave Westborough before West Main Street closes can do so prior to 11:30 AM. Our preference, of course, is you plan to stay and either march with UUCSW folks or join the lawn party and watch the parade go by.

### UUCSW HAPPENINGS

***MET MEETING*** - Thursday, September 21<sup>st</sup>

There will be a Membership Engagement Committee Meeting on Thursday, September 21<sup>st</sup> at 7:15 PM at UUCSW.

# UUCSW HAPPENINGS

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## ***COME CELEBRATE 300 YEARS TOGETHER!***

**Westborough's TOWN BIRTHDAY PARTY SUNDAY SEPTEMBER 10th**



COME ONE; COME ALL – join fellow UUCSW folks as we celebrate our 300<sup>th</sup> Birthday!

You are invited to MARCH in the parade or WATCH the parade from our front lawn. Join us immediately following the intergenerational worship service (at approximately 11:15 AM) for fun and celebration on our front lawn. Children's games, music, popcorn, cookies and water for sale (parents you may want to bring a bag lunch for your little ones) and front row seats to the parade!

### **FOR MORE INFORMATION OR TO VOLUNTEER CONTACT:**

John Metzger [jkmetzger2@gmail.com](mailto:jkmetzger2@gmail.com) or Jerry Breecher [jerry@breecher.com](mailto:jerry@breecher.com) for any parade-related questions Contact Kim Hall [kkereshall@gmail.com](mailto:kkereshall@gmail.com) if you want to help at the lawn party.

## ***INTRODUCING KALA FARNHAM, DIRECTOR OF MUSIC***

**– COME MEET HER SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 10<sup>th</sup>**



After weeks of advertising, interviewing and trial choir rehearsals, the Music Director Search Committee and Rev Bev are very happy to introduce you to UUCSW's new Music Director, Kala Farnham.

Kala is an award winning singer /songwriter /multi-instrumentalist. She brings a world of experience in many aspects of music such as a pianist, cantor, piano and guitar teacher, vocal coach, accompanist, composer, choir director and music theater director. Kala has studied music creation, music performance, and a variety of aspects of vocal performance.

When asked why she felt called to apply to be a music director at a Unitarian Universalist Congregation Kala said, "I believe music has a distinct power to unify us and elevate us to a spiritual state, and it's an honor for me to share the gift of music with others through my work as a director." Regarding Unitarian Universalism, she continued, "After being introduced to Unitarian Universalism by a friend I felt a strong resonance between my personal beliefs and Unitarian Universalism. That led me to the UUCSW congregation."

Please join Rev. Bev, the Search Committee and the UUCSW choir members in welcoming Kala on September 10<sup>th</sup>.

For more information about Kala visit her website at <http://www.kalafarnham.com>

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## **UUS AT LUNCH - Wednesday, September 13th**



It's time to gather once again for lunch and to share our summer time adventures. We will meet at 11:30 AM on Wednesday, September 13<sup>th</sup> at the Chateau on Route 9 westbound here in Westboro. All are welcome, and we hope many will join us for a pleasant get together after a long summer.

Please contact Mary Tribe (508) 329-1646, or e-mail: [marytribe5@gmail.com](mailto:marytribe5@gmail.com) by Saturday, September 9th, to let us know whether or not you will be coming, so we can make our reservations. Thank you.

## **REAP OF THE HARVEST - Sunday September 24<sup>th</sup>**



"Reap the harvest" at a special extended coffee hour after church, where we will hear more about the "seeds we planted" at the spring garden party/ice cream social. Please plan to stay as we kick off a year of engagement, a major theme that "grew out" of everyone's input!

## **SAVE THE DATE: HABITAT FOR HUMANITY BUILD: October 21, 2017**



For more information contact Ed Walsh at [walshnboro@gmail.com](mailto:walshnboro@gmail.com).

## **MAKING OUR SPACE MORE WELCOMING**



We got off to a great start last year making our space more welcoming. Summer services in the Chapel were cool and quiet (much better from when we had to run the Parlor's window unit and fans) with the new air conditioning units. Then last Spring we received the gift of new lights with dimmer switches in the Chapel – installation included! Well, we all know that once you start you see more and more things that you would love to do to complete the makeover.

In looking at the old, large, heavy pieces of furniture in the Ruggles Street foyer and the Chapel it seems that they are not necessarily the best functional items for us at this time. For example, a smaller table for the foyer with a drawer to store things that do not need to be on the top and the ability to slide the bright orange cones underneath or into the corner would clean up the area and clear the space needed for the lift door to open.

So here is what Rev Bev is asking of you at this time. **Please let us know if any of the large pieces of furniture currently in use at UUCSW has special meaning to you.** Let Rev Bev know directly or tag the item with a sticky note and your name and contact information. We are hoping to move the pieces we can no longer use out within the next two weeks. If we do not hear from anyone we will look for a charity that will accept the pieces as a donation. Thanks for helping us make UUCSW a more welcoming physical space for all!



# UUCSW HAPPENINGS

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## **SOCIAL JUSTICE ACTION**



STANDING ON THE SIDE OF  
**LOVE**

**We're trying to start a movement!** Yes, grassroots effort to reunite the country! It's about being able to talk with people who have views different from yours. Talk with Sharon about this. ([sharonkeyesbarrett@gmail.com](mailto:sharonkeyesbarrett@gmail.com)).

**Click link to make a difference:** [Social Justice Action!](#)

## **GREETERS/ USHERS**

**If you cannot support your date and no one can switch with you, please contact Melissa Meehan at [melcmeehan@gmail.com](mailto:melcmeehan@gmail.com).**

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<b>DATE</b>	<b>Front Door (Head Greeters)</b>	<b>Side Door (Ruggles Street)</b>
<b>9/10</b>	Janet Purney-Balabanis	Paula Kirk
<b>9/17</b>	Melissa Meehan	<b>TBD</b>
<b>9/24</b>	<b>TBD</b>	Melissa Meehan

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

## **UPCOMING EVENTS & MEETINGS**

**Sunday, September 10<sup>th</sup>, 1:00 PM** – Westborough 300 Grand Parade

**Wednesday September 13<sup>th</sup>, 11:30 AM** – UUs at Lunch

**Tuesday September 19<sup>th</sup>, 6:30 PM** – UU Knitting Group

**Tuesday September 19<sup>th</sup>, 7:00 PM** – Program Committee Meeting