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WEEKLY UPDATE

12/28/2017

UPCOMING UUCSW SERVICES

***DECEMBER 31st, SHARED SERVICE WITH FIRST PARISH UU
NORTHBOROUGH*, 10:30 AM***

Seeds of Hope #morelife with Rev. Lynda Sutherland



What do we bring with us into the new year? What sense of welcome, what courage, what abundance of the heart or home, what hope travels with us in to the new year? Where do we see the promise of #newlife this year? Join Rev Bev and enjoy the fun of visiting a neighboring congregation for this last service of 2017.

*Rev Bev and UUCSW is collaborating with local UU Congregations to share the service on the Sunday between Christmas and New Year's Day on a rotating basis. This year the service will be held in Northborough (40 Church Street) at 10:30 AM.

In the words of Rev. Sutherland; you are invited to join the First Parish UU Northborough congregation on Sunday, Dec. 31st **in our Parish Hall** for a Service for All Ages, as we take a last look at our December theme of Hope. Our All Ages Services tend to have less sermon and more story, fewer words and a bit more movement, song and interaction. These are not just "kid services." We don't talk down to our kids; we know that they think deeply about important issues, just as their elders do. We chew on some tough questions together, and taste the sweetness of life with them, too.

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SUNDAY, JANUARY 7, Worship Service - 10:30 AM

Intentional Experimentation with Rev. Bev Waring and Jerry Breecher

Join us as we look at why and how we worship together and ask the question, “is there a different, perhaps better way, to be together on Sunday mornings? Experimenting can be fun, especially if you participate with an open mind and heart. Join Rev. Bev and Jerry Breecher for this fun and intentional experimental service.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION UPDATE



Our congregation will be participating in the **Meal Packaging Event** at Good Shepherd Church on **Saturday, February 3rd at 1PM**. This volunteer opportunity is open to our entire congregation, and anyone who would like to participate in the event is welcome to email Jenna at uucsw.dre@gmail.com for more information. We have committed to donating 3,000 meals (\$750.00) to the effort. If you would like to make a financial contribution to the event, please stop by our table during coffee hour. We'll be collecting donations throughout the month of January. - *Thank you!*



There will be a **Pizza Party and Sing-Along with Luanne Crosby** after the worship service on January 28th! Please join us, and bring your friends and neighbors along! **All funds raised at this event will benefit the Meal Packaging Event.**



VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES IN RELIGIOUS EDUCATION



We are in need of an advisor for the Youth Group! Our high school students meet from 12-1 PM on one or two Sundays a month at UUCSW. The role of an advisor is to attend youth group meetings and help with planning and chaperoning their service projects and events. If you are interested in this volunteer opportunity, please contact Jenna Kyes at uucsw.dre@gmail.com. - *Thank you!*

We are still in need of teaching volunteers for our Religious Education classes! If you have any interest in joining a teaching team this year, then please email Jenna Kyes, Director of Religious Education, at uucsw.dre@gmail.com. - *Thank you!*

UUCSW HAPPENINGS

UUCSW TALENT SHOW!!



Come join us on **Saturday, January 6th** from 5:00 to 7:00 PM at UUCSW (Chapel) for a great time. Pizza, drinks and desserts will be served. All talents are welcome....singing, comedy, hula hooping, dancing, art projects and more! Performances are to be 2 to 5 minutes maximum. Please sign up in the Chapel at coffee hour or email Melissa Meehan at melmeehan@gmail.com. This event is sponsored by the Membership Engagement Team.

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UUCSW HAPPENINGS (continued)

THERE IS STILL TIME...

to make a special tax-deductible donation to the UUCSW



We know that you have many options when it comes to your end-of-the year giving. Why not choose the UUCSW for an extra gift?

We are hoping to collect both small and large end-of-year gifts to help us meet the needs of the congregation and continue to operate as an active, loving, and dynamic community for all our members.

To continue this effort requires the participation of our members and friends, both as volunteers and as donors. So whether or not you have already made pledge or other donations this year, please consider a special end-of-year gift to help the UUCSW to continue to thrive.

You can bring your end-of-year donation to any Sunday service or mail it to Collector, UUCSW, P. O. Box 544, Westborough, MA 01581.

All donations are tax-deductible and you'll receive a receipt for all your 2017 donations in time for your 2017 tax filing.

DONATE BLOOD – in honor of Corinne Sciarappa

Saturday, January 20th, 8:30 AM – 2:30 PM

Congregational Church of Westborough, 57 Main Street

Our next blood drive is coming up on Saturday, January 20th.

Corinne is now in her junior year at Westborough High School

and continues her battle with rhabdomyosarcoma. Patients like Corinne rely on the generosity of blood donors like you as there is no substitute for donated blood. Right now, there is an urgent need for all blood types, and an emergency need for type O donors making this an especially important time to give. **Please call 1-800-RED CROSS or visit redcrossblood.org and enter: Corinne to schedule an appointment.**



UPCOMING EVENTS & MEETINGS

Sunday December 31st, 10:30 AM – Shared Worship Service at First Parish UU Northboro

Tuesday January 2nd, 6:30 PM – UU Knit Night

Wednesday January 3rd, 6:30 PM – Board meeting

Saturday January 6th, 5:00 PM – UUCSW Talent Show

Sunday January 7th, 12:00 PM – Youth Group

Wednesday January 10th, 11:30 AM – UUs at Lunch

Friday January 12th, 7:00 PM – Book Group

Tuesday January 16th, 6:30 PM – UU Knit Night

Tuesday January 16th, 7:00 PM – Program Committee meeting

Sunday January 28th, 12:00 PM Pizza Party and Sing-Along with Luanne Crosby

Saturday February 3rd, 1:00 PM Meal Packaging Event