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WEEKLY UPDATE

03/22/2018

THIS SUNDAY AT UUCSW

MARCH 25, 10:30 AM, with Andrea Burdick, Jerry Breecher, and Guests.
Learning from Our Diverse Community



This is a Sunday not to be missed! Join us as we welcome several guest speakers with an East Indian heritage who will talk about their lives in Westborough. There will be time for questions both during and after the service. This is sure to be an engaging and relevant service.

***THIS WEEK IN RELIGIOUS EDUCATION* MARCH 25, 2018**



Religious Education classes for grades PreK-6 will meet this Sunday, March 25th. Students will begin in the **Chapel** this week. There will be **no RE class for students in grades 7-8**. All students in grades 7-12 are invited to attend this Sunday's special worship service entitled "Learning From Our Diverse Community", which relates to their Building Bridges curriculum!

The **Youth Group** will meet this Sunday, March 25th, from 12-1pm. All high school students are welcome to attend!

The **Coming of Age Program** will meet from 5-6:30pm this Sunday, and all 8th graders are encouraged to participate! Please feel free to contact Jenna if you have any questions about the program.



This month, the **RE students are collecting gently used and new children's books to donate to Reach Out and Read.** Reach Out and Read seeks to teach parents about the importance of reading to their babies and young children, and it works with medical offices to give books to families during their children's check-ups. We will be donating our books to medical offices in Westborough in order to help local families in need. Please feel free to contact Jenna at uucsw.dre@gmail.com if you have any questions. Thanks!



Parents, please **save the date!** The Youth Group will be hosting a **Movie Night** for kids from 5-8pm on **Saturday, April 28th!** These events are always lots of fun for kids of all ages!

UUCSW HAPPENINGS

MARCH FOR OUR LIVES **MARCH 24, 2018**



Due to a shortage of riders to fill two busses, the bus originally planned to leave from UUCSW will now be combined with a bus leaving from Hopkinton High School. This bus heading into the March For Our Lives #NeverAgain in Boston will leave from the High School at 9:00 AM and return at 6:30 PM

A \$25 donation towards the cost of the bus is requested but do not let the cost stop you and your family from joining us. For more information contact the organizers:

Cassie Levin at cartist531@gmail.com or Devon Rutter at dev.rutter@gmail.com

NOTE: this is not a UUCSW or Youth Group sponsored trip. Youth and children attending are the responsibility of their parents.

GREETERS/ USHERS

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The Membership Engagement Team (MET) appreciates your willingness to greet. To acknowledge your ability to greet on the assigned date, please see the signup poster board in the Chapel and remove the sticky-note with your name and write your name in the slot.

If you cannot greet on your assigned date and you are unable to find someone to switch with you, please contact Melissa Meehan at melcmeehan@gmail.com.

<u>DATE</u>	<u>Front Door (Head Greeters)</u>	<u>Side Door (Ruggles Street)</u>
3/25	Pam and Brian Bridges	MET member

UUCSW HAPPENINGS (continued)

SPEAKERS IN THE CHAPEL



Did you know you could listen to the service from the Chapel? If your baby or toddler is a little fussy and you would be more comfortable out of the sanctuary we have a speaker set up in the Chapel just for you. Speak to Rev Bev, Jenna Kyes or a greeter for more information.

STOP & SHOP GIFT CARDS – **BUY YOURS THIS SUNDAY**



REMINDER: Pick up your Stop & Shop gift cards from Ken Young before or after services. **For every dollar purchased, the church receives 5%.** Whether you personally shop at Stop & Shop or like to contribute gift cards to the monthly offering to benefit the Minister's Discretionary fund this is an easy way to fundraise for UUCSW.

TICKETS ON SALE for **"An Evening of Music with Kala Farnham"**



Excitement is building for our upcoming concert on **Saturday, May 5th at 7 PM** featuring Kala Farnham!

Kala's talent extends far beyond the lovely music she provides for us each Sunday as UUCSW's Music Director. Kala is an award-winning multi-instrumental singer-songwriter whose original music is sure to touch your heart and lift your spirit. You won't want to miss this chance to spend a special evening with Kala and experience her beautiful music! Check out Kala's website at www.kalafarnham.com.

Tickets are \$20 per person. This is the final fundraiser for the church in FY17/18 and we are hoping to raise \$4,000. You can help us meet our goal by purchasing a block of 5 or more tickets to sell to neighbors, friends, and family. Tickets will be available at the church every Sunday in April. They may also be purchased online here: [buy tickets online](#)

Contact Sharon Barrett at [508-241-9353](tel:508-241-9353) or sharonkeyesbarrett@gmail.com with questions related to ticket sales.

SAVE THE DATES AND GET MORE INFORMATION

SATURDAY APRIL 7, 2018 - HABITAT FOR HUMANITY



Habitat
for Humanity®

For more information contact Ed Walsh at
walshnboro@gmail.com

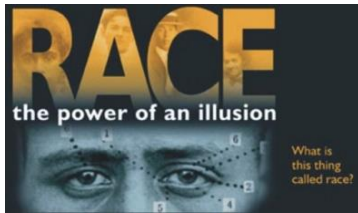
SATURDAY APRIL 28 – PARENTS NIGHT OUT/MOVIE NIGHT

Brought to you by the UUCSW Youth Group - Watch this space for more information!

AREA AND REGIONAL HAPPENINGS

***A COMMUNITY LEARNING SERIES* – Next Date March 28th!**

RACE: THE POWER OF AN ILLUSION



Where: Good Shepherd Lutheran Church
183 West Main Street, Westborough, MA

When: Wednesday February 28th - April 4th
Each Wednesday 6:30 to 7:30 PM

What: Film series and discussion on Race

SUNDAY MARCH 25 – ISLAMIC SOCIETY OF GREATER WORCESTER

This is an event not to be missed! It is "part 2" of a series begun in December at B'nai Shalom that started with fabulous music from a variety of faith traditions (including our own Kala Farnham and Luanne Crosby) and then went into small group discussions. Check out the program our friends at the Islamic Society have planned for this coming Sunday, March 25, at 4:30 PM. RSVP now.

Central MA Connections in Faith presents:

**March
25th**

'In the Beginning'

All are invited to join us for a gathering that will include an opportunity to learn more about Islam and Muslim practice, followed by a meal and shared small group conversation on the theme of 'beginnings'.

4:30-5:15pm Introduction to Islam

5:15-5:30pm Dinner is served (to be eaten during small group conversations)

5:30-7:00pm Facilitated small group conversations

7:00-7:10pm Closing and transition

7:10 – 7:25pm Muslim prayer service (all are welcome to stay and observe)

Islamic Society of Greater Worcester

57 Laurel St, Worcester, MA

For more information and to register please visit:

<http://bit.ly/2F5V99T>

Central MA Connections in Faith is a network of individuals, places of worship, and community organizations from across many Central MA towns whose goal is create genuine connections between people and learn about each others' customs, beliefs and practices.

AREA AND REGIONAL HAPPENINGS (continued)

ON FACEBOOK? “LIKE” UUs of the Boroughs and Blackstone Valley



This facebook page for our newly formed collaborative cluster of five area Unitarian Universalist Congregations is full of exciting opportunities. See what our friends in Northborough, Marlborough-Hudson, Grafton-Upton and Hopedale are doing.

Join efforts with local UUs and invite them to join us too.



UPCOMING EVENTS & MEETINGS AT A GLANCE

Wednesday March 21, 6:30 PM – Race: The Power of Illusion at Good Shepherd Lutheran

Saturday March 24, 12 PM – March For Our Lives – Rally Against Gun Violence

Wednesday March 28, 6:30 PM – Race: The Power of Illusion at Good Shepherd Lutheran

Sunday March 25, 12-1 PM – Youth Group

Sunday March 25, 4:30 PM – Presentation by the Islamic Society of Greater Worcester

Sunday March 25, 5-6:30 PM – Coming of Age Program

Saturday April 7 – Habitat For Humanity

Wednesday April 11 – UU's at Lunch

Friday April 13 – Book Group

Thursday April 26, 6:30 PM – Theological Speak-Easy

Saturday April 28, 5-8 PM – Movie Night For Kids

Saturday May 5, 7 PM – An Evening of Music with Kala Farnham