

Social Justice Action

"Little by little we human beings are confronted with situations that give us more and more clues that we are not perfect."

—Fred Rogers

If you have something YOU are passionate about, please tell us so we can spread the word.

UUCSW Service Project

Social Justice *FAMILY* Event – Please mark your calendar.

When – Sunday April 7, 12:00 – 12:30 PM

Where – In our very own church kitchen.

What – Pack meals. We will be packing meals for people in a homeless shelter in Worcester. *There will be jobs for all ages.* We deliver 100 meals on Sunday and they are handed out the next two days. The shelter does NOT provide lunches so this is a big help for people.

The Environment

I wonder how many people over the age of 30 take the latest IPCC climate warning seriously enough to actually want to do something? The Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change (www.ipcc.ch) says that a 1.5C temperature increase should be the limit. Carbon pollution would have to be cut by 45% by 2030 – and come down to zero by 2050 to meet that goal.

Governor Baker and Speaker DeLeo and their underlings are poo-pooing the need for aggressive steps in MA to meet these limits and indeed pushing to raise billions for climate adaptation instead. This is just as silly as what the total inaction of the geniuses in Washington.

Remember the saying "Don't trust anyone over thirty", coined by Jack Weinberg in 1964? I'm getting that feeling again today, when I see Greta Thunberg and now tens of thousands of students in growing numbers of countries taking Fridays off to protest the total lack of action by nearly everyone older than them. Nearly all adults are sitting on their hands.

The lack of real action on climate change is a moral crisis that should make every UU livid. But it clearly doesn't. Nearly all

UUs (like everyone else) are comatose. Why is this? Could it be that most UUs are science deniers at heart? If not that, what else could it be?

Social Justice Opportunity

Attend this event – find out what you can do.

TAKING ACTION FOR A CLEANER, GREENER MASSACHUSETTS

Join Us for a Forum on Climate Change and related Environmental Issues

Wednesday, March 27, 2019 5:30pm to 7:00pm
First Baptist Church, 111 Park Avenue Worcester, MA 01609

Keynote delivered by Melissa Hoffer, Chief, Energy and Environment Bureau, Massachusetts' Attorney General's Office

<https://www.facebook.com/events/taking-action-for-a-cleaner-greener-massachusetts/319779665337011/>

This environmental information has been supplied by John Metzger. See him for more details.

Values

What is it about someone's personal beliefs and values, especially those elicited by our UU faith, that lead them to care about social justice? I asked Laura Wagner to pose the question in her UU Mass Action Newsletter. For the next few weeks I will publish responses that she received.

My personal values around social justice can best be expressed as the First Principle, Second Principle, Fourth Principle, Fifth Principle, Sixth Principle, and Seventh Principle. With doing social justice and specifically climate action, I feel both my inner and outer lives are unified and have integrity, and I'm contributing to the solution. Carolyn

Jerry Breecher is the editor of this Social Justice Action sheet. I welcome any and all notices you would like to place here. Inherent in any such listing as this is a point of view – your point of view may differ from mine, but I would be truly delighted to express your social action agenda here. Jerry@Breecher.com