

# The Bell-Ringer

FIRST PARISH CHURCH  
UNITARIAN UNIVERSALIST  
P.O. Box 1764, Duxbury, MA 02331



OCTOBER 2014

## WORSHIP SCHEDULE

**October 5th-- FOURTH ANNUAL UNION SERVICE: (Please Note, Service begins at 10:00am)** This year's joint Sunday morning Worship service with our Plymouth and Kingston UU churches will be held at PLYMOUTH UU, 4 Town Square, Plymouth. The service is Intergenerational (all ages) and will include music from all three church choirs and words by all three Ministers. Come join us for this exciting worship service, one of the best of the church year events. *If you need transportation to Plymouth, let Catherine know. (See R.E. page for children's program)*

**October 12th--"The Peace of Wild Things"** Catherine will be joined by longtime Appalachian Mountain Club member Sally Delisa as we look at how nature feeds our souls and spirits! Sally will offer some important information about how best to avoid deer ticks in preparation for a walk in the woods behind FPC which Sally will lead after worship on October 17th/

**October 17-- "To Comfort All Who Mourn"** - We can easily get stuck in old habits and ways of doing things - both as individuals and as a society. But what would it be like if we were to make a habit of bringing in the new?

**October 26th--** In the tradition of the **Day of the Dead**, children and adults are invited to bring a photo or other object to share in commemoration of departed loved ones, people & pets, in our annual ritual honoring those who are no longer among us. Children will begin the morning in the Sanctuary. Our sermon will speak to the complex issue of suicide. Catherine will be joined in the pulpit by members of a family who endured this unspeakable loss.

## COMING EVENTS

### WEDNESDAY OCTOBER 1

Building & Grounds 9:00am

**THOMAS MOORE 7:30-9:00PM**

### THURSDAY OCTOBER 2

Book Club 9:00am

Alliance Sewing Grp. 10:00-2:00pm

Worship 7:00p.m.

### FRIDAY OCTOBER 3

Committee on Ministry 5:00pm

### SATURDAY OCTOBER 4

DIC-Pilgrim, 9:00 am

Small Group Ministry 6:00pm

### SUNDAY OCTOBER 5

**UNION SERVICE PLYMOUTH 10:00am**

HIP 6:00-7:30pm

Buddhist Group 5:00-6:30pm

### MONDAY OCTOBER 6

Bible Group 7:00pm

### TUESDAY OCTOBER 7

Bell Choir 7:00-8:30pm

### WEDNESDAY OCTOBER 8

Kindred Spirits 10:00-11:30am

RE Meeting 7:00pm

### THURSDAY OCTOBER 9

Book Club 9:00am

Alliance Sewing Grp. 10:00-2:00pm

Agenda Meeting 7:00pm

Men's Group 7:00pm

Committee Chairs Meeting 7:30pm



## A MESSAGE FROM YOUR MINISTER...

*Fall Song --*

*Another year gone, leaving everywhere  
its rich spiced residues: vines, leaves,  
the uneaten fruits crumbling damply...*

*This I try to remember when time's measure  
painfully chafes, for instance when autumn*

*flares out at the last, boisterous and like us longing  
to stay — how everything lives, shifting*

*from one bright vision to another, forever  
in these momentary pastures.*

---Mary Oliver

Dear Friends,

This week we are feeling the last rays of 80 degree summery weather---but our hearts (and the calendar) know that autumn is here. For many of us, *fall is our favorite season*—and the beauty and sense of change that this season brings into our lives has many spiritual lessons to teach us!

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*A liberal religious community dedicated to nurturing individual spiritual development, promoting understanding and working for social justice. We welcome people of all races, backgrounds and sexual orientations.*

**Rev. Catherine Cullen, Minister**  
**Sunsue Fleming, Director of Religious Education**  
**Edwin Swanborn, Music Director**  
**Elaine Stephansky, Bell Choir Director**

**Rev. Robert R. Walsh, Minister Emeritus**  
**Jackie Smith-Miller, Director of Religious Education, Emerita**  
**Lenore O'Malley, Church Administrator**  
**Alex Pevzner, Jr., Junior Choir Director**

## ***Minister's Message continued from page 1 . . .***

Lots of us make the time to get out into the natural world in this season that is neither too warm nor too cold. Autumn walks tend to invite our contemplative nature, our shy soul! And this is an important thing-- more and more people are getting so disconnected from nature. In our busy, modern "digital" world" more and more we've been living indoors, spending time with our technology instead of outdoors sitting under trees. Did you know that when you go for a walk in the woods, stress hormones decrease, blood pressure goes down, resting heart rate slows--, a walk in the woods is a good thing for the body, mind and spirit!!

The naturalist, farmer and poet extraordinaire, Wendell Berry writes:

*When despair for the world grows in me  
 and I wake in the night at the least sound  
 in fear of what my life and my children's lives may be,  
 I go and lie down where the wood drake  
 rests in his beauty on the water, and the great heron feeds.  
 I come into the peace of wild things  
 who do not tax their lives with forethought  
 of grief. I come into the presence of still water.  
 And I feel above me the day-blind stars  
 waiting with their light. For a time  
 I rest in the grace of the world, and am free.*

This church year we are looking at the six sources of our UU faith—and during October we will spend time with our sixth source: Spiritual teachings of earth-centered traditions which celebrate the sacred circle of life and instruct us to live in harmony with the rhythms of nature. *Our worship schedule will even include a walk in the woods (thanks to Sally Delisa).*

May you come to know the *peace of wild things* this month---see you on the trail!!!

*Catherine*



# ***RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWS***

## **First Parish Church 2014 Hunger Walk**

**SUNDAY, OCTOBER 12** is the day of our **2013 HUNGER WALK**  
to benefit **HEIFER PROJECT INTERNATIONAL**.

On **Sun., Oct. 12**, our young people ages 3 through Grade 8 will be walking with their group leaders in the cemetery next door. A one-mile route has been established on the roadways through the cemetery. Grades 9 and up will help with security and directions. Each young person can decide to repeat the one-mile route as many times as he/she chooses. Likely, time will allow a maximum of 5 miles of walking, so our suggested pledge per mile is \$5. Hopefully our young people will be able to raise a minimum of \$20 each. Thank you in advance for helping them find lots of sponsors. Adults are invited to join the walkers after the Sunday morning service (either as a walker or a cheerleader). We'll celebrate with light refreshments after the walk at 11:45 a.m.

If your family will not be in church on October 12, we urge you to find an alternate time/place to do your walking. Walk anytime, anyplace - what matters is that we all do our part to raise money to help a hungry family.

Let's all find a way to be part of this special project!

## **P U M P K I N   S U N D A Y**



**OCTOBER 26<sup>th</sup>, 2014 (after Worship)**

***Our Special Church Family Halloween Celebration***

***HAPPY HALLOWEEN!***

### **PLANNED ACTIVITIES ARE...**

11:45 a.m.: CARVING PUMPKINS & HAUNTED HOUSE  
provided by our grade 7 & 8 (downstairs)

12 p.m.: CARVING PUMPKINS – Bring a pumpkin to carve.

Pizza on sale by our HIPGroup – YUM! (or you can bring your own lunch)

12:30 p.m. – Tricks for Treats

1 p.m.: CLOSING CIRCLE

**Sun., Oct. 26, 6 – 7:30 p.m. - A Halloween Ceilidh For All Ages:** On **Sun., Oct. 27, 6 - 7:30 p.m.**, we will be hosting our annual “Halloween Ceilidh” on the front steps and lawn of the church or in the Harvey Assembly Hall depending on the weather. Everyone is invited to bring a carved pumpkin with a candle to display and a blanket to sit on. We will lead the Ceilidh, a sharing of Halloween stories and music. All ages are invited to participate and instruments are welcome. ***Help with the set-up. Please contact Sunsue Fleming if you can help – (781) 934-6532, ext. 4. Thank you.***



### UNION SUNDAY FOR CHILDREN

What happens when churches or people come together to share land, resources and differences? Our area, Duxbury, Kingston, and Plymouth have a rich heritage of sharing with Native Americans and some tragedies—times when our conversations and sharing didn't go as well. Native America, Tim Turner will share with the children stories, folklore, and his love of the earth.

Mr. Tim Turner from the Cherokee Nation has been engaging and enlightening students about Native history for decades. He has traveled throughout Massachusetts visiting schools and sharing real stories and history from the Native American perspective. He has been a Native American interpreter on the Wampanoag Homesite at Plimoth Plantation Museum for over 20 years.

The children will have fun learning the shared history of the Wampanoag and Pilgrims in an enlightening and educational manner. The program ends with the history of Thanksgiving and a question-and-answer period.





### **October Birthdays!**

Julia Biagini  
 Christopher Cantwell  
 Miranda Moore  
 Molly Brogan  
 Marley Hamilton  
 Maya Zukowski

### **Women's Ritual Group - Celebrate Samhain**

Women will come together on **Thursday, Oct. 30th, 7:30 p.m.** in the Parlor to celebrate Samhain. All women are welcome.



### **Rocks Needed For Our Labyrinth**

Our labyrinth is at the bottom of the hill behind the parking lot. We still need **rocks!** Please bring rocks from your yard or beach the size of a cabbage or bigger. Please place them on the line of the labyrinth which is down the path to the town forest at the back of the parking lot or at the top of the path.

### **HIP Leaders**

Congratulations to the members of our HIP group who have stepped up to be leaders:

**Griffin Wagner** – Leader  
**Peter Lillys** – Leader  
**Maddy Welch** - Secretary and Worship  
**Justin Conner** – Worship

### **Adult Religious Education**

We are excited to offer the following courses. Sign-up sheets will be posted outside the church office. If you have any questions, please call Sunsue Fleming (781) 934-6532, ext 3. We hope to see you there!

### **MEMOIRS: WRITING YOUR LIFE STORY**

The next meeting of the Memoirs group will be the **second** Tuesday of October, October 14<sup>th</sup>, at 7:15 p.m. in the Marion Fletcher Room. Our topic will be “Church Memories”. Hope you’ll join us – all are welcome! *Leader: Jackie Smith-Miller.*

### **MEN'S GROUP**

We're gathering our group again this year of Unitarian Universalist men to explore being in deeper brotherhood with one another. This will not be a drop-in group – a regular commitment is involved.

We will meet the second and fourth Thursday of every month. *Leader: Tom Bozeman*



## ***Ringing Out Justice!***

News of social justice activities at First Parish Church



### **Social Justice Committee**

The Social Justice Committee meets monthly, usually the second Sunday at 9AM. In October we will meet on the third Sunday Oct. 19<sup>th</sup>) due to the holiday. So anyone interested in the work we do is invited to join us in the Harvey Assembly Hall to hear about programs.

### **Box Project**

The Social Justice Committee is again sponsoring the Box Project and it is sign up time. Each school year we help the neediest families in the local Head Start programs (Plymouth, Kingston, Marshfield) by providing requested food, personal and cleaning products. The families are identified by the social worker at the schools, and they are given a check list of food and products to submit each month. In groups of 6 or 7 we purchase the items requested and they are delivered to the schools. We encourage our individual participants to limit their spending to \$20 to \$25 each month. It is possible to team with a friend and participate as one to share the expense.

In past years we have had as many as 65 members and friends take part in this program. Many have been doing it for more years than they can remember because it is satisfying to help local families in need. Sign up at coffee hour. **Due Date: October 19th**

The Social Justice Committee supports and serves at **Father Bill's Community Table** on the fourth Saturday of each month.

**On Sundays during Coffee Hour**, we have a table to meet interested people, to sign up for the Community Table, the Box Project, later in the year for Overnights of Hospitality and other activities. Please stop by and see us.



### **Summer Read**

**The New Jim Crow** will hold a discussion on October, 21 at 7PM at the church.



**Put Your Faith in Action:**  
**Receive ACTION ALERTS from UUSC and UUMassAction**

Sign up at the SJC Table at Coffee Hour or on [UUSC.org](http://UUSC.org) and [uumassaction.org](http://uumassaction.org) to receive infrequent but important alerts and to share your ideas with key national and local legislators about significant justice issues.

**POSTPONED: Economic Justice Summit** at All Souls Braintree, Sat Oct 11 until Jan-Feb '15

**SAVE THE DATES:**

\***Environment/Climate Change Summit** at First Parish in Framingham, Sat Oct 25, 9 am-12:30 pm

\***End Mass Incarceration Summit** at First Parish Northboro, Sat Nov 15, 9:30 am - 1:00 pm.

\***Faith and the Ballot: Forums on the 2014 Ballot Questions -- VOTE Nov 4th!**

visit <http://ecumenicaladvocacy.eventbrite.com> for details

**SPIRITUAL ACTIVIST LEADERSHIP TRAINING**

UU Mass Action and the UU College of Social Justice plans to have 6 young adults in the SALT program (planned, mentored social justice community organizing experience) by Jan 2015. Registration for young UU adults (20s and early 30s) is now open. To learn more and to apply, visit [uumassaction.org/salt](http://uumassaction.org/salt).

**UU Urban Ministry**

**UU Urban Ministry** is sponsoring an Interfaith Open House at First Church in Roxbury (1632) and Islamic Society of Boston Cultural Center (1981) on Sunday, September 28, from 2:00 pm to 4:30 pm.

The tour starts at the 1804 meetinghouse *and moves* to the Islamic Society of Boston Cultural Center, the largest mosque in New England and a dynamic cultural center. Learn about Islam, the Boston Muslim community, and discuss how UUs can foster interfaith dialogue. This UUUM open house offers all UUs, our young families and friends, an opportunity to explore the rich diversity of faith and culture within our nearby neighborhoods. Visit [uum.org](http://uum.org).

**Continued Calendar:***(from page 1)***MONDAY OCTOBER 13**  
**COLUMBUS DAY – OFFICE**  
**CLOSED****HIP HIKE**

Intern Meeting 7:00-8:30pm

Bible Group 7:00-8:30pm

**TUESDAY OCTOBER 14**

Memoirs 7:15 pm

Bell Choir 7:00-8:30pm

**WEDNESDAY OCTOBER 15**

Conscious Aging 7:30-9:30pm

**THURSDAY OCTOBER 16**

Book Club 9:00am

Historical Committee 9:30am

Alliance Sewing Grp. 10:00-2:00pm

Governing Board Mtg. 7:00pm

**SUNDAY OCTOBER 19****BOX PROJECT DUE DATE**

Jr. &amp; Sr. Choir 9:30am

Worship 10:30am

Membership Committee 9:00am

Social Justice Meeting 9:00am

HIP 6:00-7:30pm

Buddhist Group 5:00-6:30pm

**MONDAY OCTOBER 20**

Cell Fund Task Force

Bible Group 7:00-8:30pm.

**TUESDAY OCTOBER 21**

Social Justice 7:00-9:00pm

Bell Choir 7:00-8:30pm

**WEDNESDAY OCTOBER 22**

DRE Meeting 7:00pm

Conscious Aging 7:30-9:30pm

**THURSDAY OCTOBER 23**

Book Club 9:00am

Alliance Sewing Grp. 10:00-2:00pm

Men's Group 7:00pm

Capital Projects 7:00pm

**SATURDAY OCTOBER 25**

Community Table 9:00am

**SUNDAY OCTOBER 26****PUMPKIN SUNDAY****CEILIH**

Jr. &amp; Sr. Choir 9:30am

Worship 10:30am

Buddhist Group 5:00-6:30pm

**MONDAY OCTOBER 27**

Building Use Meeting 10:30am

PFLAG 7:30pm

Bible Group 7:00-8:30pm

**TUESDAY OCTOBER 28**

Bell Choir 7:00-8:30pm

**WEDNESDAY OCTOBER 29**

Conscious Aging 7:30-9:30pm

**THURSDAY OCTOBER 30**

Book Club 9:00am

Alliance Sewing Grp. 10:00-2:00pm

Women's Ritual 7:30pm

**CARING CONNECTION:**

There are many caring members of our church community who are willing to lend a hand to those having a difficult time! The Caring Connection can coordinate meals, transportation, babysitting or visits to shut-ins. For the month of **OCTOBER**, please call George Anderson.

**Minister's Office Hours:**

Catherine's regular office hours are **Mon., Wed., and Thur.** from **11 a.m. to 3 p.m.** Tuesdays are her days off and Friday's are her sermon writing days. She may be contacted by cell at (781) 635-5906. If you need to schedule an appointment during office hours or any time after office hours, please feel free to contact Catherine at [TheRevCatherine@aol.com](mailto:TheRevCatherine@aol.com), at her cell number, or by leaving a message at the church.

**STILL ROOM IN:****Spiritual Direction Opportunities at First Parish**

**Church:** The still, small voice is with you whether you are racing through your busy days or sitting in meditative silence or contemplative prayer. Spiritual direction is for anyone who is searching for deeper spiritual insights and for spiritual growth in the events of our hectic daily lives. You can use your time in spiritual direction to slow down, to learn how to listen, to explore life's deeper issues and to make progress toward achieving greater consistency between your deeply held values and your actions. This fall Catherine is offering Individual Spiritual Direction (participants meet with Catherine once a month for an hour or so). Contact Catherine via email at [TheRevCatherine@aol.com](mailto:TheRevCatherine@aol.com) or call her here at the church (781)934-6532 ext 3, to learn more about this unique ancient spiritual practice. May this be the year you explore more deeply the spiritual meaning of your life!

**Church Office Hours**

The FPC church office is open **Monday - Friday, 8:30 a.m. – 1:30 p.m.** Please call Lenore, **781-934-6532** or email at [uuduxbury@verizon.net](mailto:uuduxbury@verizon.net) if you need anything.



**ON-GOING CHURCH MEETINGS**

**SUNDAYS** - Family/Child Sunday (1<sup>st</sup> Sun. each month)  
 Joys & Concerns (2<sup>nd</sup> Sun. each month)  
 Announcement Sunday (1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Sun. each month)  
 Silent Joys & Concerns (4<sup>th</sup> Sun. each month)  
 Membership 9:00am (3<sup>rd</sup> Sun. each month)  
 Music Committee (1<sup>st</sup> Sun. each month) 12 p.m.  
 Social Justice 9 a.m. (2<sup>nd</sup> Sun. each month)  
 Welcoming Congregation 9:30 a.m. (3<sup>rd</sup> Sun. each month)  
 Denominational Affairs 12:00 (3<sup>rd</sup> Sun.)  
 Buddhist Meditation 5-6:30p.m. (weekly)

**MONDAYS** – Building Use 10:30 a.m. (4<sup>th</sup> Mon. each month)  
 Finance Committee 7 p.m. (2<sup>nd</sup> Mon. each month)  
 Bible Group every Monday 7:00pm

**TUESDAYS** - Hand Bells 7 p.m.  
 Memoirs 7:00p.m. (2<sup>nd</sup> Tues. each month)

**WEDNESDAYS** – RE Committee 7 p.m. (1<sup>st</sup> Wed. of each month)  
 Staff meeting 11:30 a.m. (weekly)  
 Buildings & Grounds 9-11 a.m. (1<sup>st</sup> Wed. each month)  
 “Kindred Spirits” 10-11:30 p.m. (2<sup>nd</sup> Wed. each month)

**THURSDAYS** - Book Group 9 a.m.  
 Sewing Group 10 a.m.  
 Worship Committee 7:00 p.m. (1st Thurs. each month)  
 Agenda Setting 7-8 p.m. (2<sup>nd</sup> Thurs. each month)  
 Governing Board 7 p.m. (3<sup>rd</sup> Thurs. each month)  
 Capital Projects 7 p.m.  
 Historical Committee 9:30a.m. (3<sup>rd</sup> Thurs. of each month)  
 Communications (2<sup>nd</sup> Thurs. each month)

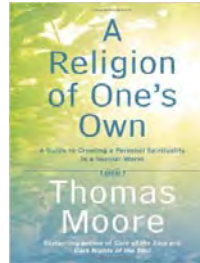
**FRIDAYS** - Committee On Ministry 5 p.m. (1st Fri. each month)

**SATURDAYS** - Brockton Soup Kitchen 9:15 a.m. (4<sup>th</sup> Sat. each month)



## October Happenings

### **HEAR INTERNATIONALLY KNOWN SPIRITUAL AUTHOR THOMAS MOORE SPEAK ABOUT HIS LATEST BOOK!**



**WEDNESDAY • OCTOBER 1, 2014  
 (7:30-9:00pm)**

**Book Signing Will Follow at First Parish Church Duxbury**

**Tickets \$15 in advance (contact church) \$20 at door**

**BRING ALONG A FRIEND FOR FREE!!**



**Alliance Pot Luck Luncheon  
Thursday, October 16<sup>th</sup> 12:30 p.m.**

Please join us for our first Pot Luck of the new year! We will have a luncheon on Thursday, October 16<sup>th</sup> at 12:30 p.m. We'll gather to great old friends and meet new ones and to share ideas about the upcoming year. The purpose of the Alliance – open to women and men – is to support each other socially and the church financially.

Everyone is welcome to become part of this historic group. We especially hope you'll be with us for this opening gathering – Potluck Luncheon in the Ruby Graves Parlor.

Hope to see you there!

**Annual Committee Chair Meeting  
October 9<sup>th</sup>, 7:30pm**

## **Letter From Your Board President**

On behalf of the members of the Governing Board, I would like to extend a heartfelt Welcome Back to everyone this new church year. We missed you! We missed the community of friends that our congregation represents. We missed the buzz and excitement and fellowship of participating in all that we do. And for those of us that didn't make it to Providence, we want to hear the stories and reflections of your time at GA – the buzz is that GA was an energizing and awesome experience. It was busy this summer: The Finance Committee worked on preparing the budget for this year which we just recently passed; steeple jacks (what a great name!) worked to repair and paint the steeple so it looks just as brilliant as the rest of the Meeting House; long-time member Paul Frongillo started as our new Assistant Sexton; and Lenore, our Administrative Assistant, received a new computer to replace the 4 year old dinosaur.

Our first Board meeting took place in August and we established some goals for the coming year, which I will share with you in future letters (I'll need something to talk about!). I have to say, however, that at the top of our list was the wish to foster an increased sense of fellowship and community within our congregation. And what better way to foster that "feeling" than to renew the wonderful In Gathering breakfast. I would like to especially thank Caroline Krantz and the members of the Fellowship Committee for a delicious and delightful start to this year.

I am honored to be given the opportunity to serve as your Board President this year. If you have chance, please thank the following individuals for serving as your Governing Board for the 2014-2015 church year: Nancy Landgren, Cindy Ladd-Fiorini, Lynn Marples, Liz Christmann, Nancy Ovaska, Jim Savicki, Steve Cunningham, and Meredith Lehman.

We are here to serve you and we want to hear from you on all matters great and small – so please feel free to reach out to myself or other members of the Board at church or send an email to:

[FPCGovBoard@verizon.net](mailto:FPCGovBoard@verizon.net)

Very truly yours,

Ted Lillys

September 22, 2014

## **Interning Grace** **"From Ferguson To Duxbury"** **by Intern Minister Tom Bozeman**

UN Secretary General Ban Ki-moon was recently quoted as saying that we are "living in an era of unprecedented level of crises". Indeed, these past few months have included news of tragedies past, present, and future: Ebola, climate change, many of the actions of the "Islamic State," and so on. Among the long list of Bad News items was the turmoil in Ferguson, MO that resulted from the killing of Black teenager Michael Brown by a white police officer.

As a people of faith, what do we do with (for instance) what's been going on in Ferguson? First, what spiritual grounding can we tap into to help us face the reality of what's going on around us – and to avoid both numbing, apathetic withdrawal on one hand and automatic, "Band-Aid" actions on the other? And, second, how can we be a positive, healing force in our society - with its legacies of racial strife?

The events in Ferguson weren't limited to conflict and turmoil. What also arose was a great outpouring of solidarity and mutual aid. May we tap into and cultivate the same to the best of our abilities – and may those abilities continue to develop.

Stay tuned for details on an upcoming community forum to engage in these important questions together.

## **Cell Tower Fund Social Justice Grant Applications**

Applications are due November 1. The form is available on the website and at the church office. Please use the 2014 form. Friends and members of First Parish can apply for a Social Justice grant. Please send your application to Cindy Ladd-Fiorini.

## **Denominational Affairs, 2014-2015**

The First Parish two-bus excursion to the Unitarian Universalist Association's [UUA] General Assembly in Providence was a great success! Thanks to all who collaborated in that effort. Denominational Affairs will follow up on the energy during 2014-2015.

First Parish members voted on the five Community Study/ Action Issues set out by the UUA. Gun Violence and Escalating Inequality were the top two issues in our vote. Escalating Inequality was the top issue chosen at the Providence General Assembly

Denominational Affairs will pursue study / action on Escalating Inequality in partnership with the Social Justice Committee. Denominational Affairs welcomes new members and your suggestions for our annual agenda.



## **News from the Membership Committee**

Our Membership Committee this year consists of Gail Murphy, Gary Stanton, Liz Connors, Kathleen Teehan, Jean Baker and Caroline Mitchell (Chair). If you have any questions about the church program and/or Membership please seek us out and we will be happy to direct you further (and if you don't know who we are, ask anybody in the church and they too will be happy to assist you!). You can also reach us at [uuduxburymembership@gmail.com](mailto:uuduxburymembership@gmail.com). The Membership Committee will host a "New to UU" session late Fall ... stay tuned!!!

The directory for members and friends is almost ready for print.

There are no strangers here only friends you haven't met yet! We are looking forward to get to know you better.



## **Summer/Fall Social Justice Read**

Please join in reading the book, The New Jim Crow by Michelle Alexander. The New Jim Crow is a stunning account of the rebirth of a caste-like system in the United States, one that has resulted in millions of African Americans locked behind bars and then relegated to a permanent second-class status-denied the very rights supposedly won in the Civil Rights Movement. You can buy a copy at the Social Justice Committee table during coffee hour for \$18. We will be meeting to discuss the book on October 21 from 7-8:30 pm at church. All are welcome!!

## **Community Table - Saturday, October 25th**

We will be serving and providing lunch for guests at the Community Table at Father Bill's on Saturday, October 25th. Please stop by coffee hour after church and visit the Social Justice table for sign-ups.

We will provide you with the casserole pan, recipe and more. We need American Chop Suey casseroles, salad fixings (undressed) and desserts for about 150 guests. We also need volunteers to serve the guests. Katy Gaenicke and sons will be the leadership team for Saturday, October 25<sup>th</sup>.

Thank you.

*Callie Brandeis*

*Youth Coordinator for the Community Table and Social Justice Committee member*



## **CRAFT FAIR – MARSHFIELD SENIOR CENTER**

On Saturday, November 1<sup>st</sup>, “The C.O.A. Craft Fair will be held at the Marshfield Senior Center from 10:00am until 4:00pm. Rejeana Parker will be one of artisans and will be featuring her ceramics and her other various art works. The fair is held annually to raise funds for the Marshfield Council on Aging and Senior Center. There’s great buys of original arts and crafts and it’s always a lot of fun!

### **Classifieds**

If anyone would like to donate a wet/dry vacuum to the church it would be greatly appreciated. It will be used to help clean the church school.