



*Community Matters*

**First Church Unitarian, Littleton**

**December 1, 2019**

**This Sunday, December 1, at 10:00 a.m.**  
**"Tisquantia's Gift"**

Join us for the first Sunday after Thanksgiving (also the first Sunday of Advent) to hear guest preacher the Rev. Clyde Grubbs' sermon "Tisquantia's Gift." According to written sources, an American Indian came among the settlers in the Plymouth Plantation soon after arrival and taught them essential knowledge that was key to their survival. Who was this mystery man whom the English speaking Pilgrims called Squanto? The Rev. Dr. Clyde Grubbs is a Unitarian Universalist minister who served congregations in Indiana, Quebec, Massachusetts, Texas, Florida, and California. He is presently serving as Minister at Large of the Tuckerman Creative Ministries for Justice and Healing. Clyde honors his Native American heritage (Texas Cherokee) which informs his spiritual understanding and practice, and his anti-racist and anti-oppressive commitment. He has worked for peace, justice, and equality since he was in the Unitarian Universalist youth movement, Liberal Religious Youth. Please join us!

**Religious Education for Children and Youth**  
**This Sunday, December 1, 10:00 a.m.**

KidSpace: Game Day for all; Youth Chorus will practice, also.

**Embracing Racial Justice Video and Discussion**  
**This Sunday, December 1, 6:00 p.m.**

This month's subject is Colonialism. Come join us. These monthly evenings have been enlightening and the discussions have been very dynamic. All are welcome.

## **Littleton Holiday Bazaar**

**The FCU Women's Alliance will be there with lots of jams, jellies and crafts perfect for gift giving.**

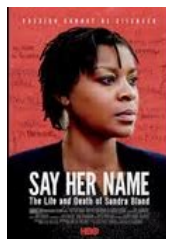
**Saturday, December 7**

**9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.**

**Littleton Middle School**

**FCU Racial Justice Action Committee, Film and Discussion Series**  
**This Saturday, November 30, 7:00 p.m.**

Say Her Name, The Life and Death of Sandra Bland



**We hope to see you in church on Sunday morning.**  
**First Church Unitarian is a wonderful place to be.**

## Recycling Project

We continue to collect deposit returnable bottles and cans to benefit a clean water project in Honduras. Our goal is to raise \$5,000 toward the \$10,000 cost of a new water treatment facility for a village in Honduras that can improve the health of several hundred people. The villagers will match the other \$5,000 somehow. Please leave cans and bottles in the bins at the right hand corner of the church.

Questions? contact Linn Cina at 603-203-1737, or [susan.tordella@gmail.com](mailto:susan.tordella@gmail.com).

## Donations to Loaves and Fishes

We collected, and delivered, **173 pounds of groceries** from our two Thanksgiving Services this past weekend and more is coming in! Consider the lists below and continue with your amazing generosity. The shelves at Loaves and Fishes can get bare during the holidays.



FCU has long been a strong supporter of the **Loaves and Fishes** food pantry in Devens. The pantry provides food and household necessities to any

residents of Ayer, Devens, Groton, Harvard, Littleton and Shirley who are in need of help. Here's a list of the pantry's most needed items:

### Shelf Stable Foods

Donations must be in their original packaging, labeled, unopened and not be compromised in any way. Canned vegetables, fruits, gravy, soups, etc. Rice, hot and cold cereals, hamburger helpers, etc.

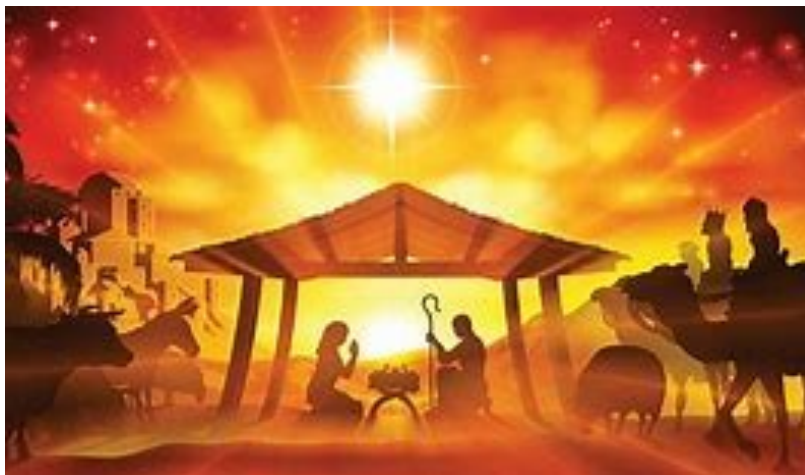
### Household Products

Toilet paper, paper towels, tissues, napkins, laundry detergent, dish soap, cleansers, storage bags, etc.

### Personal Care Products

Soap, shampoo, conditioner, toothbrushes, toothpaste, feminine care products, diapers, bladder control products, etc.

Let's commit to bringing at least one full grocery bag, once a month, to the church. This will keep our bins filled and help with keeping the pantry full. Bins are in the Vestry and the Vestibule.



### *Please join us at the Littleton Community Christmas Concert*

*Featuring the choirs of:  
First Church Unitarian of Littleton  
The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints  
St. Anne-St. Catherine Catholic Collaborative  
Congregational Church of Littleton  
First Baptist Church of Littleton*

***Saturday, December 7, 2019 at 7:00 p.m.  
616 Great Road, Littleton, MA  
(The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints)***

This is a free concert. We will be accepting non-perishable food donations for the Littleton Council of Churches food drive. Refreshments will be served after the concert.