



Community Matters

First Church Unitarian, Littleton

January 26, 2020

This Sunday, January 26, at 10:00 a.m.

"Aging, with Grace"

What does it mean to "age gracefully," and is it any different from "aging with grace?" Rev. Lara Hoke will preach on the spirituality of aging.

Following Rev. Lara's "Aging, with Grace" sermon

The **Committee on Ministries** would love to start a conversation about how our church community stays vibrant as we age. We know what it takes to have an abundant, nourishing and loving community and as many of us are taking on the challenges of aging, how do we build/redesign our offerings to reflect what we can provide for each other and our entire church community. We won't solve the challenges but we will acknowledge what they are. Our goal is to continue to celebrate joy regardless of age. Join us in the Vestry at 11:30 and participate in this discussion. Deb Girard, for the Committee on Ministries

Religious Education for Children and Youth 10:00 a.m., KidSpace

This Sunday, January 26: Chinese New Year: We will make a group dragon, share fortunes and practice kindness. UUs believe that we can all help to make good things happen. Helper: Julianna Miller

Next Sunday, February 2: Recycled Art: Using leftover and natural stuff from our supply closet, we will create reminders that we care for the earth. Helper: Kristen McManus

Share-the-Plate - This Sunday, January 26

FCU's own **Senior Youth Group** will be the recipient of our January Share-the-Plate, which will be in support of their upcoming service trip to the Bahamas to help with recovery efforts from Hurricane Dorian. Noah Leyenaar and Harry Palmer will speak on behalf of the Senior Youth Group. Please make checks to FCU with "SYG Service Trip" on the memo line.

Stewardship Sunday and Chili Cook Off Celebration

February 9, 2020 at 10:00 a.m.



Rev. Lara Hoke and our in-house musicians and singers will lead a music-filled stewardship service, "Living Our Abundance," with personal testimonials, a homily and lots of fun. We will reflect together about what it means to live our abundance in our FCU community and in the world beyond our doors. What does this mean to you? Together we will consider what kind of difference the gift of a pledge to FCU can make. You will receive your pledge packet after the service. We are grateful for your financial gifts to First Church Unitarian. The service will be followed by a Chili Cook Off meal and celebration. You will be treated to a nourishing meal that will include some delicious non chili options for all food preferences. Thanks to all who have signed up to share their awesome chili. This Sunday, January 26, will be the final chance to sign-up!



Westford Chorus presents

From the Heart of Europe

Music of Antonin Dvorak

Saturday, January 25, 7:30 p.m.

All Saints Episcopal Church, 10 Billerica Road, Chelmsford

Westfordchorus.org — Adults \$20, Seniors and Students \$10, Children \$5

Emily Welch, Deb Girard and Debbie Eston will be singing with the Westford Chorus.

**Movie Screening of *Gen Silent*
Littleton Town Hall - Multipurpose Room
Thursday, January 23, 3:00 p.m.**

This event has been organized in collaboration with [Littleton Elder and Human Service](#), [First Church Unitarian](#), [First Baptist Church of Littleton](#) and [Minuteman Senior Services](#) to provide education and support to the LGBTQ+ community and its allies. Please contact Nicole at 978-540-2475 for additional information.



**FCU Racial Justice Action Committee
Film and Discussion Series
Intelligent Lives
Saturday, January 25, 7:00 p.m.**

Join us to watch and discuss *Intelligent Lives*. It stars three pioneering young adults with intellectual disabilities who challenge perceptions of intelligence as they navigate high school, college and the workforce. Actor Chris Cooper narrates and contextualizes the lives of the central characters through the emotional personal story of his son, Jesse, as the film unpacks the shameful and ongoing track record of intelligence testing in the US.



A new year Party

Come party with us for clean water in Honduras.

The Patriots aren't in the playoffs, December is over, so join us for a fun time and authentic-Gringo Honduran food.

**Sunday January 26
4:30 to 7:30 pm
5 Hedgeway St., Ayer
Park at the Gun Club if you can.**

We care if you're coming, so please take a minute to say YES, No or MAYBE to cinafamily@gmail.com

Call or text Peter 603-289-9561
Susan 978-846-2811

GIVE ONLINE at PayPal [tiny.cc/cleanh20](https://www.paypal.com/donate/?url=https://www.tiny.cc/cleanh20)



Peter and Lynn Cina visited Juticulpa in Olancho Honduras 10 times. They brought Bob and Susan Tordella Williams with them in 2017 for a memorable trip to connect with people who live simply in a remote place.

The annual mission trip provided medical aid until they realized *Clean water would solve many health problems*. Since 2014, the Olancho Aid Foundation, a 501 (c)3 group, built 27 water treatment facilities, which now need updating. Your tax-deductible contribution will help people who live with no running water or electricity.

Come to our party to eat, drink and be merry, and to celebrate our abundance. SEE YOU THERE !



This is a FUN face-to-face Go-FUNd-Me

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