



Community Matters

First Church Unitarian, Littleton

February 16, 2020

This Sunday, February 16, at 10:00 a.m.

Playfulness, Laughter and Joy: Creating Resilience

Join Director of Religious Education Vicki Merriam and Rev. Lara Hoke for a Whole Congregation Worship Service. Fun is serious business and can add years to our lives. Come laugh, play and sing with us. Wear something silly and bring a short joke or riddle to share. Lara's homily will focus on the Hindu concept of Leela (in Hindi it is written as लीला), the concept of divine inter-play.

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

Next Sunday, February 23: "Resilience is like a Rubber Band." We will make rubber band balls and then play with them. Helpers: Susan Palmer and Emily Welch. Rehearsal with Carolyn.

Dear FCU:

Thank you so much for your generosity to the **Senior Youth Group** on the recent Share-the-Plate Sunday. We were overwhelmed with the collection that will help fund our upcoming service trip to the Bahamas to help with recovery efforts from Hurricane Dorian. We also thank those who sent in support checks after the Share-the-Plate Sunday. Because others asked, we are still taking donations. Please make your checks out to First Church Unitarian with the memo **SYG Trip**. And we continue to ask for your emotional support.

Harry Palmer	Noah Leyenaar	Luann Colombo
Dontano Rinaldi	Dan Lombardo	Sandy Russell

Greater Boston UU Singles Valentine's Day Pot Luck!
Friday, February 14, 6:30 p.m.



Greater Boston UU Singles Valentine's Day Potluck! Join a group of UU singles from all over the Boston area for our first event, a potluck on that most awkward of all days if you are single - Valentine's Day! Enjoy good food, good conversation and good fun with area UU singles. This is our first event so come and you can say you were with us on the ground floor! The dinner will be from 6:30 - 8:30 (ish) at **First Unitarian Universalist Society of Newton (FUUSN), 1326 Washington Street in West Newton, convenient to the Mass Pike and Route 128**. RSVP here: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/30e0c44a5a72ca4f85-uusingles>. Please include what you will be bringing in the comment section (though if we wind up with 12 pans of brownies, is that really a bad thing?) For information, contact Barb Schmitt at celervelectric@gmail.com. Come join us, and bring a friend!

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

The Women's Alliance (alliance@fculittle.org) has embarked on a project of documenting favorite stories and memories of our church community. Members and friends are invited to share their stories by:

- Completing a Story Form on the clipboard on the small table in the Vestry
- Creating a story on a computer and attach the printout to a Story Form
- Talking to an Alliance member who will record your story for you

General Assembly

June 24-28, 2020

Providence, RI

Are you interested in being a Delegate to General Assembly or in any nominated church positions? The Nominating Committee and the Standing Committee will be hosting an informational meeting this Sunday, February 16, after church in the Alliance Room. You are not obligated to join ANYTHING!!!

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Loaves & Fishes' mission is to provide nutritious food, in an atmosphere of kindness and respect, to individuals in need who reside in Ayer, Devens, Dunstable, Groton, Harvard, Littleton and Shirley.

Loaves & Fishes Food Pantry, Inc.

978-772-4627, 234 Barnum Road, Devens, MA 01434 loavesfishespantry.org

Donate Food

It takes a lot of food because the need is great!

- In an average week, 11,500 lbs. of food is distributed to our neighbors in need.
 - Over 600,000 lbs. of food was distributed last year.
- 828 families representing 1,961 individuals visited the Food Pantry last year.
 - Those families made 6,410 shopping trips to the pantry.

We depend upon your generosity to meet the growing need for nutritious food.

Most Needed Items

Ensure	Pancake Mix and Syrup
Carnation Instant Breakfast	Soap/Body Wash
Hamburger Helpers	Shampoo
Salad Dressings	Reusable Grocery Bags
Rice-a-Roni	Canned Chili/Refried Beans
Grape or Strawberry Jelly	Beef or Oriental Flavored Ramen
Ketchup and Mayo	Mac and Cheese
Canned Fruit especially Applesauce	Coffee/Tea
Baked Beans	Women's Incontinent Products
Canned Tomato Products	Baby Formula
Pasta Sauce	Boxed Flavored Rice
Canned Vegetables (NO Green Beans)	Feminine Care Products
Hearty Beef Soup	Depends- large and X-large
Cream of Mushroom/Chicken Soup	Diapers – Pull Ups size 5T and larger
Clam Chowder	Poise Pads