Community Matters

November 1,, 2026

Welcome to

The Spirituality of Civics!

The Sunday, November 1st service is "The Spirituality of Civics", just in time for Election Day. The service is "multiplatform", both in-person and live-streamed.

If you are watching from home, please participate in our Sunday service via interactive Zoom or watch on YouTube (note that the Zoom link will take you to FCU's website, where you may need to enter the FCU password to click on the link. If you don't know the password, note that my Saturday morning email will include the Zoom link for the service that does not require the FCU password, the same link we've been using). Once you get to the Zoom link, the password is 1714.

We offer printed Orders of Service for those who want them. We also have a QR code available for you to scan (with your camera app) and see the OOS on your smartphone if you prefer.

Grace, experimentation, learning, fun, community, and more will be ours this year!

In faith,

Lara

Rev. Lara

The RE Corner

This week we will be starting our discussion on Awe and Gratitude. We will take a walk across the street to the park and talk about the wonderful things that we see in nature that bring us to awe.

Please have your child dress for the outdoors.

And be sure to sign a release so your child can join us outside.

In peace and gratitude,

Thea

Questions? Please email me at dre@fcu.org.

Sign up for hospitality

Email - hospitality@fculittle.org

We will be having a fire drill on Sunday, November 1st, at the end of the church service. When the fire alarm sounds, we'll exit the church carefully and safely, but without delay, and assemble on the lawn by the wayside pulpit sign. Some folks from the fire department will be present that day to observe and to activate and deactivate the alarm.

We will review the procedure at the start of the service that day.

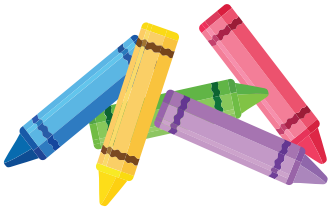
Tim Harvey for the standing committee

Baby Clothes and Hygiene Items Drive

The Women's Alliance will be holding a Baby Clothes and Hygiene Items Drive for Cradles to Crayons in October.
Please bring the following to our collection table in the Vestry
from October 1 through October 31:

- New or clean, like-new baby clothes (infant to toddler sizes). No "I love Mommy" or I love Daddy" infant wear,
- New-only socks, underwear and pajamas,
- Unopened diapers, infant to toddler sizes,
- New baby wipes,
- New infant nail clippers,
- New baby wash and bath soap
- New training pants, sizes 2T to 5T.

Thank you!
Rochelle Chambless, For the Women's Alliance



Cradles to Crayons

There are some hostas and daylilies against the wall in the shade garden area. We have planted pretty much what we can use and these extras are there for the taking.

If you do take some home, consider returning the containers once they are planted.

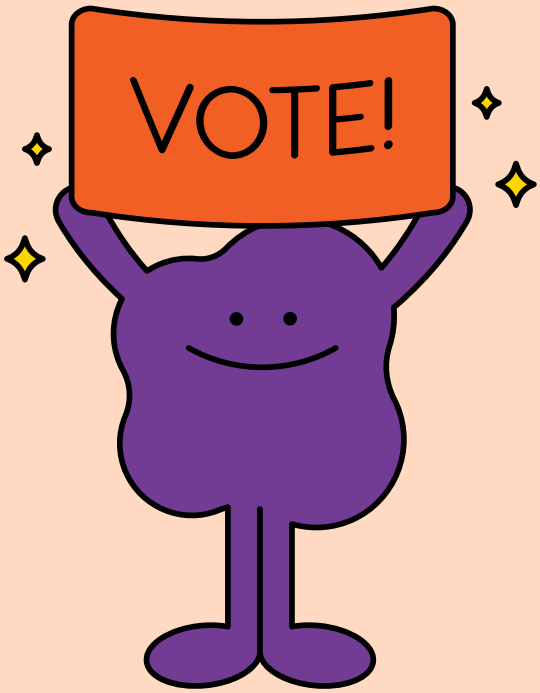
The Gathering: Declarations of Democracy - Election Round Up (sidewithlove.org)

Monday, November 9, 2026, 8:00 PM - 9:30 PM ET,
We gather less than a week after Election Day to reflect on what we know, what we've learned, and the road ahead. Regardless of what happens on and after November 3rd, we know that it is our sacred call to shape a multiracial, interdependent democracy where everyone can thrive. Join Side with Love's Nicole Pressley, President Sofía Betancourt, musician Glen Thomas Rideout, and other special guests to strengthen your spirit, make sense of this moment in our democracy, and take meaningful action alongside others!
See you at The Gathering to strengthen your spirit, make sense of the threats to democracy, and take meaningful action alongside others! Join us live or watch the recording with others later.

SIDE WITH LOVE

Goldilocks Found the Chair That Was Just Right. You Can, Too!

Take the chair survey this Sunday, November 1, in the Sanctuary, right after the service. Survey is also available online. The link and instructions are in the Church listserv email you received (fcu@groups.io) on October 21. November 1 will be the last day to take the survey in person or online. Let your wishes be known!
Thank you! --Your Sanctuary Committee



Friday, Oct. 30 is the last day to vote early. If you didn't get the chance to vote early, be sure to

vote in person on Tuesday, Nov. 3.

If you have a mail-in ballot that you have not yet mailed, hand-deliver it to your town's drop box or, even better, turn it in at your town hall. For specific voting info, go to:

https://www.vote411.org/massachusetts

Events at FCU

Sacred Circle Dance Vestry
October 31st, Saturday
11:00AM to 2:00PM

Social Justice Committee Channing
November 8th, Sunday, 11:30 AM

Ongoing Events at FCU

Loving-Kindness Sangha
Meditation Practice Online Only
Weekly - Friday at 1:00PM
https://tinyurl.com/LovingKindnessSangha

Jammin' in the Kitchen
Weekly Downstairs Kitchen
Wednesday- 2:00 PM to 4:00 PM

Artemis Singers
Weekly in the Sanctuary
Monday at 4:30 PM

COAP-Caring for Our Aging Parents (or Partners or Person)
We meet on Zoom every first Monday of the month from 7:00PM to 9:00PM. Please talk to Kris Ersland or Prisl Dumka for details.

Supporting our Adult Children
We meet on Zoom every second Wednesday of the month from 7:00PM to 8:00PM. Please talk to Phyllis Terrey or Prisl Dumka for details.

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GET OUT THE VOTE

Email for more information
susan.tordella@gmail.com

Help get out the Vote

Susan is planning to go door-to-door to encourage voting on Nov. 1, 2, and 3 in York, Maine, a 65-minute drive from Littleton.

Contact her for details, times, and links to sign up for spots next week in Maine and NH.

Bring in your MA Deposit bottles & cans for a good cause

Massachusetts returnable cans and bottles generate money for a special needs school in Honduras. Please put, clean MA returnable cans and bottles into the green recycle bin at the top of the driveway on the right hand side of the church. If possible, please have them in bags. They will be collected even during the summer. Any questions - contact Lynn or Peter Cina.

LOAVES & FISHES Food Pantry, Inc.

Drop off donations for Loves & Fishes in the collection bins at the church. Just inside the doors.

Sacred Circle Dance

October 31st, Saturday, 11:00 AM to 2:00 PM in the Vestry. As always, RSVP is requested.

In this circle, no experience is needed; all dances are taught. Newcomers and novices are always welcome. Just bring a willing spirit and your water bottle.