

# THE SUNDAY NEWS

November 17, 2013

## This Week

Sun., Nov. 17	10:15 New to First Parish 10:30 Sunday Forum 12:15 Worship Reflection 12:30 Nominating Committee 12:45 Short-Term Covenant Group 7:00 SARASA Concert 7:30 Men's Group
Mon., Nov. 18	<b>First Parish Closed</b>
Tue., Nov. 19	6:30 <i>T'ai Chi</i> 7:00 Department of Peace 7:00 Evening Worship 7:00 Amnesty Group 7:00 Stewardship Meeting
Wed., Nov. 20	9:30 <i>Buddhist Group</i> 4:30 Junior Choir 5:15 Chalice Choir 5:15 Gospel Choir 7:45 Adult Choir
Thu., Nov. 21	1:30 Lincoln Ringers 7:00 <i>Mindfulness-Based Stress Reduction</i> 7:30 <i>Buddhist Group</i> 7:30 By Your Side Singers
Fri., Nov. 22	9:30 <i>Mindfulness-Based Stress Reduction</i> 7:30 <i>Rise Up Singing</i>
Sat., Nov. 23	7:30 Men's Group
Sun., Nov. 24	10:30 Sunday Forum 12:15 Worship Reflection 12:30 Ministerial Intern Committee 7:30 Men's Group

*Listings in italics represent classes offered through the Wright Tavern Center ([www.wrighttavern.org](http://www.wrighttavern.org)).*

**Next Meeting House News deadline: Friday, December 13.**  
**Be aware that all items (including contact information) posted to the Sunday News or Meeting House News, or on First Parish-related e-mail lists, may be published online at [www.firstparish.org](http://www.firstparish.org).**

## Parish Notes

### All-Parish Art Display

View the new display in the Suzanne Altshuler Gallery: Gallery A is in the stairwell outside the Sanctuary; Gallery B is on the stage of the Parish Hall. The exhibit will run from November 5 until the end of December.

### SARASA—Tonight at 7:00 p.m.

The Sarasa Chamber Music Ensemble presents their first concert of this season tonight at 7 p.m. in the Parish Hall. The program is titled "A Baroque Mural" and features arias by Purcell and J. S. Bach, an aria and a cantata by Handel, and a world premiere by Howard Frazin. Come and enjoy an evening of chamber music performed by this wonderful and unique group of musicians. Tickets: \$24.00 general admission/\$20.00 seniors/students

### Wanted: Housing for Next Year's Intern

Ministry is an itinerant profession. A minister needs to be able to pull up stakes and move—and to be comfortable in the new setting. One of the opportunities of an internship is to experience a different environment—a different part of the country, a different culture. In order to make it possible for an intern from somewhere else to spend a year at First Parish, we are looking for a rent-free apartment. If you can offer one or know of one, please contact Alec Walker at [AlecWalker@aol.com](mailto:AlecWalker@aol.com).

### "A Year with Frog and Toad"—Tickets at Coffee Hour

Don't miss it! First Parish Eighth Grade Players are presenting the musical play "A Year with Frog and Toad" on Friday, December 20, at 7:30 p.m., and Saturday, December 21, at 2:00 p.m. and 5:00 p.m., providing holiday entertainment for all ages. Tickets on sale at coffee hour: \$10.00 for adults; \$5.00 for children.

### Congregational Stewardship Meeting

**Tuesday, November 19, 7:00 p.m.**

#### How Will We Help First Parish to Grow, Change and Thrive?

Getting involved in stewardship is an opportunity to influence the future of First Parish and to help shape fundraising and budgetary priorities. You are invited to participate in a conversation begun on October 16, when committee/council chairs came together with members of the Standing Committee and staff to discuss fundraising opportunities, tactics and strategies. At this next meeting, we will discuss the meaning of stewardship and plan ways that we, the congregation, can use fundraising to reflect and support our collective priorities. Come and bring your friends. Refreshments will be served.

### Looking for a Unique Holiday Gift for Someone? Why Not Go Green!

For \$1200, you can adopt one of the 70 shiny new solar panels going up on our roof and help First Parish go green . . . to give as a gift or to just enjoy! If all the panels are adopted (as full, half- or quarter-shares), the entire solar array will be paid for ahead of time, which boosts the benefits significantly for First Parish. Check out the map of our roof at coffee hour and have fun picking out the panel you want to adopt! Please contact Berni Jenkins at [berni.jenkins@verizon.net](mailto:berni.jenkins@verizon.net) or Kate Crosby at [kate\\_crosby@newview.org](mailto:kate_crosby@newview.org) for more information.

### Women's Book Group

The selection for the Women's Book Group November/December discussion is *Lots of Candles, Plenty of Cake*, by Anna Quindlan. The evening session will be Monday, December 2, 7:30 to 9:00 p.m., at the home of Leslie Fisher (43 Middle Street, Concord). The morning session will be Tuesday, December 3, 9:30 to 11:00 a.m., at First Parish. All women of First Parish are warmly invited to read the current book and join one or both discussions. If you would like to be added to the Women's Book Group e-mail list, please contact Darien Smith at [darien@smithquest.com](mailto:darien@smithquest.com) or 978-369-1471.

## Pastoral Care

“Being There for Each Other through the Changes in Life.” The Pastoral Care Lay Minister on call for November is Diane Clapp. If you would like a meal or support, please contact Diane at [d.clapp@comcast.net](mailto:d.clapp@comcast.net) or 781-257-5025.

## Social Action Community

Go to [sac.firstparish.org](http://sac.firstparish.org) for news and calendar information.

### Department of Peace 2013-14 Kickoff

#### Tuesday, November 19, at 7 p.m. at First Parish

Many of us ask the question, “What can I do for peace?” You’re not alone in your quest for peace. Citizens just like you are rolling up their sleeves and working for peace. What can you do? You can lobby your state and U. S. legislators to make peace a priority; work as a mediator for conflict resolution and reconciliation; acquire non-violent communication skills; or engage your colleagues in service to peace. Join supporters of the Massachusetts Campaign for a United States Department of Peace (DoP) for our 2013/14 kickoff, and learn what you can do for peace. We’ll present the year’s calendar of workshops, films, guest speakers, lobbying efforts, political theater and more. And we’ll ask you to volunteer to help make the campaign a success. Only have a few hours here and there? That’s fine. Looking for a longer term project? You’ll find lots of opportunity. We look forward to seeing you on Tuesday, November 19, at First Parish.

### “Food for Change” Showing

#### Saturday, November 23, at 7:30 p.m.

The Social Action Community Council of First Parish in Concord presents “Food for Change,” a provocative new documentary that filmmaker Steve Alves describes as “one part food, two parts politics, three parts economics.” Interviews, rare archival footage and commentary by co-op leaders and historians tell the story of the co-op movement in the United States, and its role in the decades-long debate between profit-driven capitalism and locally controlled enterprises. Alves tracks the co-op movement’s quest for whole and organic foods, sustainable food systems, and the renaissance of American food co-ops that has revived entire communities. Come and meet Concord-raised associate producer Andrew Curran, who will be on hand for this showing. Refreshments will be served. Watch for more information on our Facebook page: Food for Change (documentary film). Donations requested at the door. SACC of First Parish is grateful to our cosponsors: Assabet Village Food Cooperative, Babson College Food Sol Program, ConcordCAN, Gardening for Life, and Greater Boston Slow Money.

### Donations to Aid Typhoon Victims in the Philippines

If you would like to make an additional donation to the UUA-UUSC fund to aid typhoon victims in Philippines, go to: <http://bit.ly/1e7Kd8G>.

## Children’s and Youth News

### This Week, November 17 – First Day of Holiday Term

8:50 & 10:50 a.m. – Little RE (0-4 yrs) – Lower Level

9:00 & 11:00 a.m. – Services

K-1st Grade – Spirit Play – Begin in the Sanctuary, dismissed to RE in the lower level classrooms

2nd-5th Grades – Middle RE – Begin in the Sanctuary, dismissed to RE in the Emerson Room

6th-7th Grades – Neighboring Activists –Brooks Room, 9:00 a.m. and 11:00 a.m.

8th Grade, 10:00 a.m. – “A Year with Frog and Toad”– Meet in the Wright Tavern at 10:00 a.m.

9th-12th Grades, Youth Group Band – 6:00 to 7:00 p.m. in the Wright Tavern

9th-12th Grades, Youth Group – 7:00 to 8:30 p.m. in the Wright Tavern

### Next Week, November 24 – Regular RE Week

8:50 & 10:50 a.m. – Little RE (0-4 yrs) – Lower Level

9:00 & 11:00 a.m. – Services

K-1st Grade – Spirit Play – Begin in the Sanctuary, dismissed to RE in the lower level classrooms

2nd-5th Grades – Middle RE – Begin in the Sanctuary, dismissed to RE in the Emerson Room

6th-7th Grades – Neighboring Activists –Brooks Room, 9:00 a.m. and 11:00 a.m. – Cleaning the Milldam

8th Grade, 10:00 a.m. – A Year with Frog and Toad– Meet in the Wright Tavern at 10:00 a.m.

9th-12th Grades, Youth Group – 7:00 to 8:30 p.m. in the Wright Tavern

### Children’s Holiday Crafts Workshop—December 7

Our Head Elves, Jan Goddard-Taylor, Sarah Napier and Marilyn Lowitt, have been working very hard since October preparing for our super, crafty, gifty, and joyful Children’s Holiday Crafts Workshop which will be held on *December 7, from 1:30 to 4:30 p.m.* Mark your Calendars for this fun event.

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888-399-6111