#### SUNDAY ANNOUNCEMENTS

## First Parish in Concord Sunday, April 2, 2023

Please check our weekly e-newsletter, FP Weekly, for Zoom links for events you are interested in attending virtually.

### Congregational Covenant Workshops Sunday, April 2, 9 a.m. in person

We are building a congregational covenant! That's a set of agreements or promises we make to each other about how we relate to each other so that our congregation can thrive. These drop-in workshops are to discuss the initial draft. We'll reflect together on what we have so far, what we might still need, and what's been percolating since February's retreat. Pick a date and come on by. Covenant Team contacts: CC King or Rev. Liz Weber.

## Passover Resources at Coffee Hour Sunday, April 2, 11 a.m. in person

Do you celebrate Passover? Are you interested in learning more about this Jewish Festival of Freedom? Check out the Passover table in Coffee Hour. We will have picture books, coloring pages, articles, and discussion questions to reflect on the spiritual and political themes of Passover: springtime, history, freedom, justice. This table is hosted by Rev. Amy Freedman and Dana Snyder-Grant, leader of our Jewish Awareness Affinity Group.

## Little RE on Easter Sunday Sunday, April 9, 9:45 a.m.

On Easter Sunday, childcare will be available for young children (ages 0-5 years) in the Milldam Nursery School. Caregivers are welcome to bring children to the lower level before the service starting at 9:45 a.m. Children must be signed in and picked-up by their adult caregivers.

### Easter Egg Hunt Sunday, April 9, 11 a.m. in person

Happy Easter! Following our Easter Service, we will have an Egg Hunt on the grounds of First Parish. Please meet on the Terrace. All are welcome to join the fun!

## Welcome Class Sundays, April 16, 23, May 7, 11 a.m. In person

Are you curious about life at First Parish? Are you interested in getting more involved and learning about Unitarian Universalism? If you are, then the Welcome Class is for you! This three part series offers a place to learn about First Parish and Unitarian Universalism, explore your personal spirituality, and connect with others in the congregation.

Contact <u>Susan See</u> for information. Food and child care will be provided.

#### Pledging Deadline is April 16, 2023

We need your pledge—your promise—before the deadline of April 16, 2023 to ensure it is included in our budgeting process. Pledges are over 60% of our annual income so knowing what we will have is essential in developing our budget. Each year we do a Pledge Campaign in March and then begin budgeting in April. We review priorities in May and vote on the final budget in June at our Annual Meeting. Please pledge today if you haven't already.

If you have any questions, please contact 2023-24 Pledge Campaign Project Manager Alane Wallis.

# Coming of Age Clothing Drive for CityReach

#### Thru Sunday, April 16

In preparation for CityReach Boston, Coming of Age is holding a Clothing Drive for the homeless community. 80 percent of guests identify as male and almost all want practical unisex clothing. Please limit women-specific clothing donations.

- Nylon jackets, ponchos, raincoats
- New white socks
- New underwear for both men and women and bras

(all sizes, from small to XL needed)

- Sweatshirts/Sweaters
- Pants
- Hats/gloves
- Blankets/sleeping bags
- Backpacks, tote bags, small suitcases with wheels

Please drop off donations in our Coat Closet by Sunday, April 16.

## Sign the Book to Become a First Parish Member Sunday, May 7, 1 p.m. Brooks Room

Have you been attending First Parish for awhile, and decided that this is your spiritual home? Do you understand the benefits and expectations of church membership? If so, you are welcome to sign the membership book and officially join us. We will celebrate new members in the Brooks Room at the end of this spring's Welcome/Re-welcome class; please note the new date. Please inform one of the ministers of your desire to sign the book. We are glad you are here!

#### **Register for Ferry Beach**

Come gather over Memorial Day Weekend, Friday May 26 - Monday, May 29, at the Ferry Beach Camp & Conference Center for fellowship, fun, and relaxation! Registration is directly with Ferry Beach by calling their office to receive the special rates for our weekend. For full information about the weekend in Saco, Maine, and how to register for lodging and meals, please see the 2023 Ferry Beach Info document. Questions? Contact Darien Smith.