## SUNDAY ANNOUNCEMENTS First Parish in Concord Sunday, February 18, 2024

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

#### Soul Work for All Ages

As you enter our Sanctuary, you will find a table with "Soul Work" resources. Please help yourself to sewing circles, colored pencils, coloring pages, clipboards, and colorful pipe cleaners for creating. Research finds that certain kinds of handiwork stimulate the same brain activity as meditation and prayer. You are welcome to take your creations, including the sewing circles, home with you, but please return the supplies to the Soul Work table following the service. Enjoy!

#### Wiggle Room in the Parlor

Children are always welcome in our services. If your child would like more "wiggle room," toys, Legos, art supplies, books, and puzzles are also available in the Parlor downstairs. This is also a good place for caregivers to connect or follow the service which is streamed on a screen in the Parlor.

Our February Share the Plate recipient is The Robbins House–Concord's African American

**History.** The Robbins House has educated our town and the greater community on the richer history many of us did not know. Learn more about the history of this valuable asset and hear the stories of the Robbins and Garrison families on the <u>Robbins House website</u>. A resource we are so lucky to have.

#### Guided Group Tour of Special Concord Museum Exhibition Sunday, February 25, 1:00 p.m. Concord Museum, Concord

The Women's Parish Association is offering the opportunity to attend a docent-guided group tour of the Concord Museum's Exhibition, "Interwoven: Women's Lives Written in Threads," and an exhibit showing Lidian Emerson's abolition work and others. For reservations: contact <u>pekindc@comcast.net</u> by February 20. Fees: free for Concord Museum Members, \$12 for seniors and students, \$15 for other adults. There is no charge for children five years old and under. You should arrive by 12:30 p.m. to give yourself enough time to pay and gather in a group. You will pay Dian Pekin upon arrival.

# At Home Retreat for the Women of First Parish

Weaving Connections: The Power and Joy of Deepening Relationships

- Free Welcome Celebration on Friday, March 8 at 7:00 p.m. for ALL FP women. (Those who attended the away retreat are welcome to come!)
- Retreat Program is Saturday March 9, 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Join old friends and make new friends to explore how you can find the joy and power of deepening relationships. Includes time for reflection, creativity, singing, laughing, weaving crafts, lunch, and companionable silence.

To register for either program, please go to <u>https://bit.ly/FPAtHomeRetreat</u>.

Welcome! We are so glad you are here. Please stop by the Welcome Table after service or fill out a Connection Card located in your pew.

### Pathways to Belonging: A Two-Part Series Sundays, March 24 and April 7 11:45 a.m. to 1:15 p.m. Brooks Room

Are you new to First Parish? Have you been coming for a while but haven't connected yet? This is your opportunity to share and explore your spiritual roots, how they connect to Unitarian Universalism and understand how First Parish works. Information about membership will also be discussed. A light lunch is provided. Childcare will be provided upon request. For more information or to register, contact <u>Susan</u> <u>See</u>.