SUNDAY ANNOUNCEMENTS

First Parish in Concord Sunday, March 3, 2024

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

Add Your Pronouns to Your Nametag!

The Diversity Committee is working to increase awareness of, and allyship of the LGBTQ community by encouraging members and guests to add their pronouns to their printed nametags and on Zoom (e.g., she/her, he/him, they/them). Simply write your pronouns on your nametag or use a pronoun sticker (on the welcome table in the foyer outside the sanctuary, next to the nametags outside the kitchen, and at the coffee hour table for newcomers). Contact Jan Power at jpower6@gmail.com if you'd like a new nametag with your pronoun printed on it or need help adding your pronouns to your Zoom name.

Be a Pledge Campaign Steward

Our annual pledge campaign relies on First Parish members to contact other members and First Parish friends to remind them about the pledge campaign. Those who do the contacting are called stewards, and the personal contact stewards provide is crucial to the success of the pledge campaign. We are seeking new stewards for this year's pledge campaign. Communications can be by email, phone, or in person, and the messages start in mid-March and are done by early April. Our messages are reminders about pledging and its importance. We need you! Contact Dave Elwood at daveelwood@hotmail.com.

Webinar on Hansom Field Private Jet Expansion Wednesday, March 6, 7:00 p.m. Zoom only

Attend an online webinar sponsored by Stop Private Jet Expansion (SPJE.org) on the latest updates on private jet expansion plans, climate impacts of the proposed expansion and why it's a statewide issue, what you can do to help stop the largest private jet hangar in New England, and possibly the nation. The Environmental Team is a member of SPJE.org. See *FP Weekly* for the registration link.

11th Hour Calling Stand Out Monday, March 11, 11:00 a.m. In Front of Church

Join the Environmental Team and congregants in front of the church at 11:00 a.m. on March 11 to bring attention to the Climate Crisis to passersby by holding signs. Signs are provided.

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 https://bit.ly/FPAtHomeRetreat.

SAVE THE DATE! Sunday, March 17, 4:30 p.m. Parish Hall and on Zoom

In honor of our own immigration activist Tony Rodriguez and his legacy, Dr. Aviva Chomsky will speak in the Parish Hall at 4:30 p.m. on March 17. Her topic will be "Why are they coming? The multiple roots of migration today." She is professor of Latin American Studies at Salem State University and the author of many related books. This event is co-sponsored by the Concord-Carlisle League of Women Voters. In person and via Zoom: bit.ly/roots-of-migration.

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 Susan See at suzzer38@yahoo.com.