SUNDAY ANNOUNCEMENTS First Parish in Concord Sunday, May 4, 2025

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

Show Your Support for Immigrant Justice

Blue Triangle Solidarity items will be available at coffee hour TODAY! Stop by the IJTF table for these. And learn more about Know Your Rights cards and other action options related to countering human rights abuses.

First Parish Photo Club Annual Slide Show TODAY! 11:00 a.m.

Parish Hall & Parlor

The First Parish Photo Club will be showing their annual slideshow today at coffee hour after the service. Please drop by to see their marvelous photos.

Braver Angels: Skills for Disagreeing Better Workshop

TODAY! 2:00 p.m.

Parish Hall

The Skills for Disagreeing Better workshop helps participants understand the values and concerns of those who differ from them politically and teaches essential skills for communicating across differences and finding common ground. Led by Braver Angels facilitators. Please register at https://bit.ly/3EIC87j.

First Tuesday Group: *The Flurry of Birds* Tuesday, May 6, 2:00-3:30 p.m. Parlor

The Concord Traveling Players will present, *The Flurry of Birds*, a play about the men and women of the town of Concord on April 18th and 19th, 1775. What were they thinking as the Minute Men assembled and the British Regulars invaded the town? What really happened at the Wright Tavern? Questions? Contact Anne Fortier at <u>randafortier@comcast.net</u>

Joy Jam! Breakfast for Dinner & Game Night Friday, May 9, 6:00 p.m.

Parish Hall, Parlor, Kitchen

Join us for a Game Night for all ages with a cozy Storytime in the Parlor. This is a multigenerational time and our whole community is welcome. Thanks to our Governing Board for cooking Breakfast for Dinner with pancakes hot off the griddle, fruit, and sausages. Children are welcome to come in pajamas, bring a stuffed animal, and a favorite book. If you wish, you may bring a nut-free dessert or games to share. Registration required. LINK: https://tinyurl.com/42djcd79

Mothers Day Walk for Peace - Louis D Brown Sunday, May 11, 8:00 a.m.

The Peace Walk is a fundraiser for the Louis D Brown Peace Institute, which is a place of healing for those who have experienced the murder or suicide of a loved one. The Peace Walk is a celebration of the lives lost and of everyone's potential to create more peaceful communities. Every year, families unite to help the Louis D Brown Peace Institute raise \$600,000 for their vital services, advocacy and training. First Parish has been marching and donating in support of the Peace Institute for 15 years. TO DONATE - See FP weekly or see our table at coffee hour.

Ferry Beach – Registration Ongoing

Registration began April 7 for the annual Ferry Beach Retreat that happens over Memorial Day Weekend, May 23-26. Though all onsite rooms are now booked, there is still space for campers and participants who stay offsite (e.g., in nearby private rentals). You can also be added to the waitlist for onsite rooms. For full details about the Retreat, see www.firstparish.org/forms and click on "2025 Ferry Beach General Info.pdf" and "Ferry Beach Registration Info.pdf." We hope to see you there! For questions, please contact Darien Smith (darien@smithquest.com) or see her at coffee hour.

Immigration in a Time of Change: What Now?

Sunday, May 18, 5:30 p.m. **Porch & Parish Hall**

Confused? Troubled? Wondering how to respond?Come to IJTF's Panel and Discussion from Three Perspectives: Legal, Organizational, Local * Free and open to all 5:30-6:15 gathering, snacks, conversation (outside if weather permits) 6:30-8: Panel speakers and Q&A. Co-sponsored by: The Concord-Carlisle League of Women Voters & Concord Indivisible If you are able, RSVP to pulcinjo1@gmail.com *Immigration lawyer; IINE's CEO, FPBedford minister

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