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## **SUNDAY ANNOUNCEMENTS**

### **First Parish in Concord**

### **Sunday, June 1, 2025**

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

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#### **Money Matters**

**Sunday, June 1, 11:30 a.m., Emerson Room**

**Monday, June 2, 7:00 p.m., via Zoom**

Come learn about next year's budget. Find out how we allocate our resources and see the budget that will be presented at the Annual Meeting on June 8th. This is an opportunity to ask questions about church finances and discuss issues related to our fiscal position with members of the Governing Board. Please reach out to Leah Russell ([LeahKRussell@gmail.com](mailto:LeahKRussell@gmail.com) or 978-660-7076) with any questions.

#### **Brunch to honor departing staff**

**Rev. Elizabeth Ide**

**& Rev. Paul Langston-Daley**

**Tuesday, June 3, 10:30 am-12:00 noon, Parlor**

The First Parish staff will host an all-congregation light brunch to honor departing colleagues Rev. Paul Langston-Daley, Minister of Social Action, and Rev. Elizabeth Ide, Acting Minister for Congregational Care. Enjoy coffee, fruit, pastries, and juice as you express your appreciation and say farewell to Elizabeth and Paul in a more intimate setting. Both Paul and Elizabeth will also be honored by the congregation on Sunday morning, June 15.

#### **Concord Pride Fest**

**Saturday, June 7, 10:00 a.m.**

**First Parish grounds & Concord**

Join a community-wide celebration and a month-long series of events. Concord Pride Fest is free, family friendly, and welcomes all. The Pride March will begin at the Umbrella Arts Center—

bring a sign or make one beginning at 10:00 am. We will march down Main Street for entertainment and flag raising in Monument Square. There will be events and food throughout the day in Concord and West Concord. First Parish will host lawn games, face painting, and big bubble making with area youth groups. Please contact Rev. Amy Freedman to volunteer or to join the planning team:  
[afreedman@firstparish.org](mailto:afreedman@firstparish.org)

#### **Annual Meeting**

**Sunday, June 8, 11:30 a.m.**

**Sanctuary & Zoom**

This year's Annual Meeting will take place after our joint service with TriCon being held at TriCon this year. In order to start the meeting as close to 11:30 am as possible, please plan to come promptly from TriCon back to First Parish along the path next to the 51 Walden Theater. As you come up the FP driveway, enter by the side door directly into the Parish Hall where you can sign in to the Meeting, grab a snack, and head up to the Sanctuary. Coffee will be available in the kitchen. Childcare will be offered during the Meeting.

#### ***“Men and Women Good and True”***

**Lecture by Richard Smith**

**Thursday, June 19, 7:00 pm**

**First Parish Sanctuary & on Zoom**

Join us for an evening with public historian Richard Smith honoring Juneteenth. In his lecture, “Men and Women Good and True,” Smith will explore stories of Concordians and the

**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.**

Civil War. How did the conflict affect the town? What were the reasons men enlisted to fight? How did Concord women help the Union cause? This event will be held in the Sanctuary and live streamed on Zoom. Reception to follow in the Parish Hall. Suggested donation: \$10. Sponsored by the Transcendentalism Council. Contact Shelley\_Hawks@msn.com, or call First Parish at 978-369-9602.

about options for involvement. Consider sponsoring an immigrant in detention, allowing them to return to their family and community while awaiting the outcome of their cases. Rachel Wheeler can walk you through the process: staplescamp@gmail.com.

### **Toiletry Drive to Benefit Women by AWE Collecting through Sunday, June 15**

The Advocates for Women's Empowerment (AWE) is collecting toiletry and feminine hygiene items to benefit Rosie's Place and Dignity Matters. Collection will run through Sunday, June 15. Please donate *NEW AND UNOPENED* travel and full-sized shampoo, conditioner, body wash, toothpaste, toothbrushes, floss, deodorant, lotion, lip balm, hairbrushes, picks, combs, elastic hair ties, feminine hygiene items (tampons, pads). Place items in the marked bin in the coatroom on the lower level of the church. Contact Suzie Weaver ([skatesuzie@aol.com](mailto:skatesuzie@aol.com)).

### **Flea Market Space Rental Saturday, July 19, 9:00 am**

#### **First Parish Front Lawn (indoors if rainy)**

Don't forget to rent a space in the Summer Flea Market organized by the Women's Parish Association, Saturday, July 19, starting at 9:00 am. The space rental fee is \$50. This is a good way to turn your no-longer-needed household items and tools into cash. The popular curated WPA Boutique will be part of this event. Contact Melita Teichert at [mmtconcord1@gmail.com](mailto:mmtconcord1@gmail.com) to arrange for donation times. Space rentals can be made at the WPA's Sunday Coffee Hour today or by contacting Teresa Hubscher-Younger at [hubsct@gmail.com](mailto:hubsct@gmail.com).

### **Organized help for immigrants**

#### **Coffee Hour, IJTF Table**

Seeking ways to be supportive to immigrants living in a time of fear? Come to the Immigration Justice Task Force's table at Coffee Hour to learn