



The First Unitarian Church in New Bedford

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News & Views



Sunday, July 5, 2015 at 11:00am

The First Unitarian Church in New Bedford

presents

Our 34th Annual Free Jazz Service!

featuring

The New Bedford Music Ensemble

Armsted Christian - Flute/Vocals

John Harrison - Piano

Dino Govoni - Tenor Sax

Marcus Monteiro - Alto Sax

Chris Poudrier - Drums

Chris Rathbun - Bass

Dori Rubbico - Vocals

Danny Schwartz - Percussion

Please join us for refreshments in the Parish House after the service.

Donations welcome & appreciated.



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*"That beautiful season
the Summer!
Filled was the air with
a dreamy and magical
light;
And the landscape
Lay as if new created in
all the freshness of
childhood."
Henry Wadsworth
Longfellow*

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SUMMER CONTACT INFO

In case of emergency during the month of July, please call the office or First Unitarian Board President, Judy Lund while Rev. Paul is on vacation July 6-August 6.

In August, Rev. Paul can be reached by phone (508-717-2438) or email (minister@uunewbedford.org) for pastoral emergencies.

RE NEWS-WAY COOL SUNDAY SCHOOL

- July 3 Freedom Festival @ UMASS Dartmouth {\$5 per car}
Fireworks, music and family fun!
- July 4 Folk Festival & Fireworks {Downtown NB}
Be safe!
- July 5 Jazz Service
No Child Care
- July 9 AHA: Kids Rule {5-8pm}
Downtown New Bedford ALL FREE & WONDERFUL!
- July 12 Karen Andersen: Matters of Truth & Justice
Swimming in the Great Divide
Child Care Only {Promise #1 Each person is important.}
- July 19 Crystal Lubinski: Education: Right, Privilege or Commodity?
Child Care Only {Promise #2 Be kind in all you do.}
- July 26 Rick Finneran & Wendy Wiggins: Social Justice
Child Care Only {Promise #3 We're free to learn together.}
- July 31 Hogwarts: Eagles Claw (Eaglesclawschool.wordpress.com)
Camp at The First Unitarian Church in New Bedford
11:00am-5:00pm Ages 10 and up
email for info Krysten@mastermindadventures.org



COMMITTEE CHAIRS

House and Grounds
Richard Pline

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Thrift Shop
Bill Bennett

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Katie Driscoll

Social Justice
Rick Finneran

Music
Carol Kolek

Women's Alliance
Pam Sherman

While you are thinking of Summer, we are thinking of curriculum design for next year. We have some exciting changes to enhance the make-up of our age ranges and also the fluidity of the content we are sharing. Karen Andersen has written a unit designed for 9-12 year olds using Joseph Campbell's "The Hero's Journey" as it applies to our own lives and understanding of the human condition. They will engage in discussion about what makes a hero and find ways to be "real heroes" in our community, as well as learn about some real heroes in history. Comparative world mythologies and folklore will abound this exciting adventure which the children have expressed interest and desire! Our younger group will be sampling age-appropriate Hero curriculum while focusing on the tree of Contemplative Practices. Creation Process, Movement, Stillness, Activist, Generative, Ritual/Cyclical and Relational Practices will be taught. A Mindful based curriculum with a Hero twist! Our youngest Preschool/Kindergarten children will be exploring UU Spirit Play. We look forward to sharing more details regarding this curriculum in addition to establishing a solid RE Team. If you are interested in teaching, hosting a lesson, or being RE Team Leader, please see Yasmin or Karen! It is going to be an amazing year!

"Teaching children about the natural world should be seen as one of the most important events in their lives"
-Thomas Berry, *The Dream of the Earth*

OFFICE HOURS

The office is currently on "summer hours". During the summer, staff are in the office only about 10 hours per week with no set times or days that we will be in the building. If you need to come to the church in the summer months, please call or email to make sure someone will be there. We will return to regular office hours (Monday through Friday, 9am-1pm) in September.

COME SING A SONG WITH US!

The First Unitarian Church Choir is looking for singers! All skill levels are welcome. The choir rehearses on Monday evenings from 7:15-9:15 PM at the church. The choir sings on the 3rd Sunday of each month and on other dates as requested by the minister. The only requirements are that you want to sing and are willing to attend weekly rehearsals and scheduled performance dates. Membership in the choir is open to ALL, not only church members. We will be rehearsing through the summer.

Contact director Katie Driscoll with questions
klbrenle@gmail.com or 508-536-8549.

~SAVE THE DATE ~ ORGAN RECITAL~

To celebrate the refurbishing of our beloved Flentrop Organ, our music director, Randy Fayan, will give an Organ Recital at 3pm on November 8, 2015. Mark your calendars and plan to be here for this joyous occasion!

DINNERS FOR EIGHT

Dinners for Eight is held on the 3rd weekend each month. For you old-timers who know how it works, please think about when you might be able to host. Ideally, we should have at least one new member invited to each dinner. Our Dinners are a great way to get better acquainted. Anyone interested in participating or for more information, please call Jean Kellaway at 508 992-0838.

FOOD PANTRY DONATIONS

Please continue to give as generously as you can. Each week, the Shepherd's Pantry serves roughly 150 families...and that's just ONE of the many area food pantries. Most needed items include: cereal/oatmeal, canned tuna/meat, canned fruit, peanut butter, pasta, pasta sauce (no glass jars), cooking oil & cake mixes. Also needed are personal care items such as razors, toothpaste, shampoo & conditioner.

JAZZ SERVICE REFRESHMENTS

To all our wonderful bakers: We always have a packed house for our Jazz Service and we'd love to be able to offer refreshments to our guests. If you are able, please bring something yummy to share at Social Hour after the Jazz Service on **Sunday, July 5th**. Thank you!

WHAT ARE YOU DOING THIS SUMMER?

As in the past, the Women's Alliance is offering camperships/scholarships to any child or young adult enrolled in the RE Program at our church. This year we are offering two \$100 camperships/scholarships. If you are interested, please send a note to Pam Sherman with a name, name of camp/program, person interested in attending and the cost involved.

Mail information to:

Pam Sherman
36 Chancery Street
New Bedford, MA 02740

Come see what's new in the THRIFT SHOP!

Do you give flowers from your garden to your friends? We have **VASES!**
25cents - \$1 (some priced higher)

4th of July decorations! Celebrate summer! Prices lower than the Christmas Tree Shop!

New selection of **CD's \$1**

Two **wicker plant stands**--\$3 each

Set of 4 light weight, **woven-seat chairs**. 3 straight back & 1 rocker. Perfect for the porch--make an offer!

Roof top carrier —\$25

Large industrial **steamer** — \$35

Small stand up **freezer**—\$55

Clearance—**Infant and young adult clothing**— 50 cents

NEWS & EVENTS

FOURTH GRADERS CHECK THIS OUT!!!! NATIONAL PARK PASS FORT FREE!

Every Kid in a Park: A New initiative to get fourth graders and their families to experience the places that are home to our country's natural resources, rich history, and vibrant culture FREE OF CHARGE! The immediate goal is to provide an opportunity for each and every 4th grade student across the country to experience their public lands and waters in person throughout the 2015-2016 school year. This pass will give you free access to national parks, national forests, national wildlife refuges, and more! The Every Kid in a Park pass will be available for the 2015-2016 school year.

The initiative is an administration-wide effort among the National Park Service, Forest Service, Department of Education, Army Corps of Engineers, Bureau of Land Management, Fish and Wildlife Service, Bureau of Reclamation, and National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration. (Nationalparks.org for more information)

BOARD MEMBERS AND OFFICERS

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First Unitarian Thrift

71 Eighth Street
New Bedford, MA 02740

hours:
Wednesdays 9:00am-1pm
Thursday 1-4pm
Saturdays 10am-2pm

*"Come and find what you
didn't know you needed!"*

JULY BIRTHDAYS

Happy Birthday To:

~Niko Tarini 7/16 ~ Aaliyah Francis 7/18 ~
~Teresa DeLaTorre 7/20 ~ Nora McClurkin 7/25 ~
~MaKayla McNeil 7/26 ~ Aureore Chace 7/27 ~
~ Sylvia Daley 7/30 ~ Xavier McClurkin 7/31

CONTINUING EVENTS

Mondays at 5:30pm: Tai Chi — Meets in the Green Room. Free. No meetings on Monday holidays.

Mondays at 7:15pm: UU Choir Rehearsal—meets in the music room.

First & Third Mondays of each month at 7:00pm: Pride Café—Meets in the Parish House.

First Tuesday of the month at 6:30pm: Book Club (starting in November)—meets in the History Room.

Second Tuesday of the month at 12:00pm: Women's Alliance Meeting in the Parish House (unless otherwise stated). (No meeting in January, February, and March.)

Second Tuesday of the month at 6:30pm: Board of Trustees meeting. Meets in the Historic Room.

Tuesdays (September-December & January to May—weather permitting) at 9:30am: Quilting Group—Meets in the Parish House. Come and join the fun, even if you're not a quilter.

Third Thursday of the month at 6:30pm. Social Justice Committee — Meets in the Sanctuary.

Third Saturday and/or Sunday of the month: Dinners for Eight.

CHURCH STAFF

Rev. Paul Langston-Daley,
Minister

Yasmin Flefleh-Vincent, DRE

Randy Fayan,
Music Director

Linda Fredette,
Church Administrator

Tony Gonsalves, Sexton

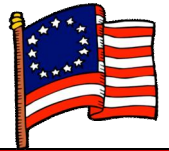
Vikki McMaster,
Bookkeeper

Arthur Green,
Sunday Sexton

Karen Andersen,
Sunday School Teacher



July 2015



| Sunday | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday | Saturday |
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| 28 11am Summer Service (S) 12pm Social Hour (P) | 29 5:30pm Tai Chi (D) 7:15 UU Choir Practice (S) | 30 | July 1 9am-1pm Thrift Shop Open 7pm Sea Chantey Choir (Gr) | 2 1-4pm Thrift Shop Open 5:30 Wedding rehearsal (S) | 3 4pm Wedding (S) | 4  Happy 4th of July |
| 5 11am Annual Jazz Service (S) 12pm Social Hour (P) | 6 9am-6pm NBFT rehearsal (P) 5:30 Tai Chi (D) 7pm Pride Café (Gr) 7:15 UU Choir Practice (S) | 7 9am-6pm NBFT rehearsal (P) | 8 9am-6pm NBFT rehearsal (P) 9am-1pm Thrift Shop Open 7pm Sea Chantey Choir (Gr) | 9 9am-6pm NBFT rehearsal (P) 1-4pm Thrift Shop Open 7pm CUUPS Waning Moon (Gr) | 10 9am-6pm NBFT rehearsal (P) 7pm Chamber Choir Rehearsal (Gr) | 11 9am-6pm NBFT rehearsal (P) 10am-2pm Thrift Shop Open |
| 12 11am Summer Service (S) 12pm Social Hour (P) | 13 9am-6pm NBFT rehearsal (P) 5:30 Tai Chi (D) 7:15 UU Choir Practice (S) | 14 9am-6pm NBFT rehearsal (P) 6:30 Board of Trustees Mtg (H) | 15 9am-6pm NBFT rehearsal (P) 9am-1pm Thrift Shop Open 7pm Sea Chantey Choir (Gr) | 16 9am-6pm NBFT rehearsal (P) 1-4pm Thrift Shop Open 6:30 Social Justice (S) 7pm Chamber Choir Rehearsal (Gr) | 17 9am-6pm NBFT rehearsal (P) | 18 9am-6pm NBFT rehearsal (P) 10am-2pm Thrift Shop Open |
| 19 11am Summer Service (S) 12:00pm Social Hour (P) | 20 5:30pm Tai Chi (D) 7:15 UU Choir Practice (S) | 21  | 22 9am-1pm Thrift Shop Open 7pm Sea Chantey Choir (Gr) | 23 1-4pm Thrift Shop 7pm CUUPS Elders (Gr) | 24 7pm Chamber Choir Rehearsal (Gr) August Newsletter Submission Deadline | 25 10am-2pm Thrift Shop Open |
| 26 11am Summer Service (S) 12pm Social Hour (P) | 27 5:30pm Tai Chi (D) 7:15 UU Choir Practice (S) | 28  | 29 9am-1pm Thrift Shop Open 7pm Sea Chantey Choir (Gr) | 30 1-4pm Thrift Shop Open 7pm Chamber Choir Rehearsal (Gr) | 31 9am-5pm Eaglesclaw Academy (P) | AUG 1 10am-2pm Thrift Shop Open |
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 = private/non-church related event

Green Room(Gr), Dining Room(D), Kitchen(K), Sanctuary(S), Parish House(P), Tryworks Auditorium(T), History Room(H), Ladies Parlor (LP), Office (O)



STANDING ON THE SIDE OF
LOVE

NEWSLETTER DEADLINE

The "News & Views" goes to print on the third or fourth Tuesday of each month. **The deadline to submit articles into the newsletter is the Friday before it goes to print.** All submissions are reviewed by the editor for content and grammar. **Next "News and Views": July 28, 2015.**

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Summer Lyceum Series 2015 *SUNDAYS AT 11* Everyone is Welcome

July 5- 34th Annual FREE JAZZ SERVICE

Summer at the First UU in New Bedford is jumpstarted every year by our annual Jazz Service. This year's performers include Armisted Christian on flute and vocals, John Harrison on piano, Dino Govoni on tenor sax, Marcus Monteiro on alto sax, Chris Poudrier on drums, Chris Rathbun on bass, Dori Rubbico on vocals, and Danny Schwartz on percussion. (No childcare today)

July 12- Karen Andersen- *Matters of Truth and Justice: Swimming the Great Divide*

Albert Einstein said, "In matters of truth and justice, there is no difference between large and small problems, for issues concerning the treatment of people are all the same." In one sense, we might consider that statement true; as UU's we value the fair treatment of all people and take up causes, large and small, to do what we can toward justice as we see it. But if you follow the news, you will see that the issues are not all the same, and many people in our country are divided on what constitutes justice, especially when it comes to moral/religious issues like reproductive rights, same-sex marriage, and who is willing to make your wedding cake.

This summer's Lyceum series will be exploring the theme of 'Justice' and this opening talk will focus on how our ideas about justice collude and collide. How do we know what is "right" and "wrong" when our sense of justice is an injustice to our neighbor? Is "Justice" even a real thing if we can't agree on what it means? How do we get over our own righteous minds to be able to build bridges across such great divides?

July 19- Dr. Crystal Lubinsky- *Education: Right, Privilege or Commodity?*

With today's overly commercialized attitude, a new phase of education has begun that views schools and universities as businesses and education as a commodity. I like to call this "austerity academics" and I see this potentially crippling future generations. But for some, education is a treasure; a right worth fighting for. This Lyceum talk will explore what education should symbolize and how we need to bring a feeling of sacredness back into the Academy.

July 26- Rick Finneran and Wendy Wiggins: *Social Justice and the First Unitarian Church of New Bedford: Past, Present, Future*

This service will explore First UU in New Bedford's impact in the community over the years, from its establishment of a North End mission in 1895, to other community initiatives in the 20th century that originated from First U (Tryworks, Aid for Addicts, the Women's Center). We will also explore the meaning of the term Social Justice, as well as the current role of the church in promoting social justice in New Bedford. The service will be accompanied by a slideshow featuring photos and artifacts from church archives.

Join us after each service for coffee and light refreshments. ***CHILDCARE IS AVAILABLE!!!***