

Sandwich Road Menu

Sunday, December 10, 2017



10:00 AM SERVICE: *“Learning to Love the Dark”* Rev. David M. Kohlmeier.

The Holidays are a difficult time for many of us. Many struggle with depression as the dark days of winter increase, while others of us are painfully reminded by all the holiday traditions of loved ones no longer in our lives. Amid the jangle and noise of the secular holiday season, this morning we'll pause to rest, to listen to the lessons dark times in life have to teach us, and we'll seek healing together.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION: Community Service Day.

SHARE THE PLATE: To benefit Around the Table at St. Barnabas Church in Falmouth.

COFFEE HOUR: Provided by the “2nd Sunday” group (members & friends whose last names begin with E-K)

SERMON DISCUSSION: 11:15 AM in the East Wing. Discuss the sermon and its relevance to our lives.

YOUTH CHOIR REHEARSAL: 11:15 AM

EVENTS THIS WEEK

ALL CHURCH HOLIDAY PARTY: Friday, December 8, 6:00-8:00 PM. Everyone is invited to join us for our yearly holiday party. We will decorate the Christmas tree and the Sanctuary, decorate sugar cookies, and more. *Please bring something to share for our potluck dinner AND bring toothbrushes and toothpaste to be given to dentists doing dental surgery in third world countries.*



YOUTH TO MAKE HOLIDAY DECORATIONS. During the service, the children and youth will be working on a Community Service project, making holiday decorations to be delivered to shut-ins and nursing homes. If anyone would like to give us a hand creating these special bundles of cheer on Sunday morning, or would be willing to deliver some decorations, please contact Debi at dre@uuffm.org.

LEGACY GIFT DISCUSSION after the December 10 service, 11:15 AM in the Library. This will be an informal session to share information and answer general questions about legacy giving to the UUFF. Topics will include recommended language for various types of bequests (e.g., general, specific and endowment) and other estate planning tools to consider in lieu of, or in addition to, bequests. A sign-up sheet will be available for any individual or couple who would like to have a conversation with the Fellowship President, Treasurer or a Stewardship Committee member about their personal plans and situations. As always, members and friends considering legacy gifts to the UUFF are strongly encouraged to discuss their plans with their attorneys, tax consultants and financial advisors before making important decisions. Contact Stu Graham (508) 495-1156 with any questions.

FINAL CALL FOR A PLACE AT OUR TABLE AUCTION. Please stop by our auction table during fellowship hour to place your bids, or to increase your previous bids on your favorite events. We have 10 wonderful events on different dates and at a variety of prices. This is the final week of the auction; bidding will close after coffee hour. If you are unable to make it to church on Sunday, you may designate a proxy or email a bid to ellen@jackson-todd.com by 2:00 PM on Sunday. We can also create a customized gift certificate if you want to give attendance at an event to a friend or family member. For more detail, see the menus on the easel near the auction table.

ART IN THE LOBBY: Sheila Payne, the daughter of our lobby artist Alfred Tulk, will be available **Sunday, December 10 after the service** to share wonderful memories of her father.



CHRISTMAS STORY TELLING: Sunday, December 10, from 2:30-4:00 PM. Come join us at the Meetinghouse for a story-telling hour of all those Christmases past that you can still remember. You can tell other stories, too. It is open to all, so please come and listen to stories of the holiday season and have your own story ready!

MEN'S BREAKFAST: Every Thursday, 8:00 AM. Fellowship, coffee, bagels and good conversation. Information: Bob Sabin, 508-563-7685.

UPCOMING EVENTS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

SUNDAY SERVICE: Sunday, December 17, at 10:00 AM “Defying Hate: Lessons from the Maccabees”
Rev. David M. Kohlmeier. The Jewish festival of Hanukkah has roots in ancient resistance to tyranny and brutal religious and ethnic persecution. This morning we’ll consider what lessons this historic rebellion has for our own modern-day struggle against hate.

NEXT WORLD UNITY CHOIR REHEARSAL: Monday, December 11, at 7:00 PM. There are three more rehearsals (Dec. 11, Jan. 8, and Jan. 13) before the grand sing-in on Saturday, January 13, at 3 PM, and at the 10 AM Sunday service on January 14. Contact Fred Johnson or anyone on the Music Committee for information.

THE CARING VISITOR PROGRAM SEEKS VOLUNTEERS. If you are interested in helping us offer caring, casual visits to some of our elder members, we encourage you to attend a short training session with Rev. David on **Tuesday, December 12 at 2:00 PM.** For more information, contact Judy Singer, 508-457-6294.

LADIES LUNCH: Thursday, December 14, at noon. This year’s Christmas lunch will take place at the Coonamessett Inn on Gifford Street in Falmouth. Please make reservations *early* by calling Reed Walsh at 508-563-5027 or email zydecored@aol.com **no later than December 11.**

DECEMBER BOARD MEETING WILL BE HELD on Wednesday, December 20 instead of Thursday, December 21 to allow for the Winter Solstice service.



JOIN THE CHOIR FOR CAROLING on Friday, December 22, at 3:45 PM. We will gather at the church to go caroling at the homes of our members who cannot get out this Holiday season. **All are welcome!** This has become a UUFF tradition over many years, and it really warms the hearts of those who may be homebound or in nursing and retirement homes. It is equally rewarding and very special for those who come to sing. Rides will be provided for any singers who may need one. The duration will be approximately two hours, more or less. If you know of a member who could enjoy having an eager and enthusiastic holiday interlude, please let Fred or a Choir member know. For additional information, please speak with Judy Andrade or Mie Rietsema.

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MEETINGHOUSE CALENDAR

SUNDAY, December 10

10:00 AM Service & Religious Ed
 11:00 AM *Place at Our Table* Auction
 11:15 AM Sermon Discussion
 11:15 AM Youth Group Meeting
 11:15 AM Youth Choir
 11:15 AM Legacy Gift Discussion
 2:30 PM Christmas Storytelling

MONDAY, December 11

7:00 PM World Unity Choir Rehearsal
 8:00 PM Choir Rehearsal

TUESDAY, December 12

1:00 PM Mah Jongg
 1:00 PM Caring Committee
 2:00 PM Caring Visitor Prog. Training
 7:00 PM Fellowship Group #2

7:00 PM Soto Zen Sangha

WEDNESDAY, December 13

1:00 PM Communications Committee
 2:30 PM Fellowship Group #3
 7:00 PM Finance Committee

THURSDAY, December 14

8:00 AM Men’s Breakfast
 12:00 PM Ladies Lunch
 3:30 PM Fellowship Group #4
 5:30 PM Women’s AA
 7:00 PM Music Committee