

Sandwich Road Menu

Sunday, December 17, 2017



10:00 AM SERVICE: *“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.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION: Class this week.

COFFEE HOUR: Provided by the “3rd Sunday” group (members & friends whose last names begin with L-R)

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

WINTER SOLSTICE SERVICE, THURSDAY, DECEMBER 21, 7:00 PM. On this longest night of the year, we gather to face the dark with honesty, and open ourselves to healing and hope. The service will draw both from earth-centered traditions and from humanist “secular solstice” observances.

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 would enjoy having an eager and enthusiastic holiday interlude, please let Fred Johnson or a choir member know. For additional information, please speak with Judy Andrade or Mie Rietsema.



HATS FOR THE HOLIDAYS AGAIN THIS YEAR. Handmade hats of all sizes and colors will once again be on sale for \$10. They are all made by UU members, with 100% of the proceeds going to youth service trips and social justice work. Stop by the Faith Formation office after the service or throughout the week.

MEN'S BREAKFAST: Every Thursday, 8:00 AM. Fellowship, coffee, bagels and good conversation. Information: Bob Sabin, 508-563-7685. If school is canceled due to snow, the breakfast will also be canceled.

UPCOMING EVENTS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

SUNDAY SERVICE: December 24, at 10:00 AM “The Radical Politics of the Manger”

Rev. David M. Kohlmeier. The traditional Christian images of the birth of Jesus are so familiar as to be almost cliché, but they are in fact filled with radical political ideas that their original, first-century Jewish and Roman audience would have clearly seen. We'll look at the shepherds, the virgin mother, the manger, the angels, the magi, the angry king, and more, and rediscover these revolutionary meanings and see what they have to say to us in our time.

CHRISTMAS EVE SUNDAY SERVICE, DECEMBER 24, 5:00 PM. Come experience the old familiar stories of the birth of Jesus as we sing traditional songs of the season. The service will conclude with a candle-lit vigil.



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

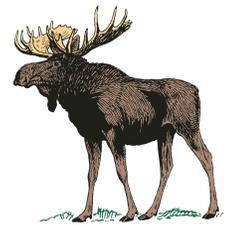
A PLACE AT OUR TABLE RESULTS: Thank you to everyone who participated in this event by offering an event to be auctioned, by bidding, and by helping with announcements and setting up the auction table. Thanks to everyone's efforts, we are adding a little more than \$3,500 to our operating resources for the year. Guests and hosts are being advised by email where possible. If anyone does not have email, we'll send you a notice by mail.

NEXT WORLD UNITY CHOIR REHEARSAL: Monday, January 8, at 7:00 PM. There are two more rehearsals (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.

LOST AND FOUND. As the weather gets colder, gloves, scarves and other items begin to accumulate in the Lost & Found. Please be sure to check the bin behind the desk in the outer administration office to see if there is anything belonging to you. If you have lost a coat or jacket, look in the coat closet just beyond the Faith Formation office.

COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

WHALECOAST ALASKA 2018. Four Alaska UU fellowships invite you to experience their eco-cultural and spiritual program this summer. See Alaska through the eyes of local UUs, with friendly homestays and unique tour activities. See wildlife, including moose, bears, caribou, whales, bald eagles, seals, and otters. Visit Denali National Park. Experience Native Alaskan culture. Tours led by Dave Frey, member of the Fairbanks UU congregation and Alaska travel expert. For complete information go to: www.WhaleCoastAK.org, email dfrey@whalecoastak.org or call 907-322-4966. Discount available for groups of eight or more.



Sandwich Road Menu brings you the latest news and highlights of upcoming events for the Unitarian Universalist Fellowship of Falmouth, Massachusetts. It is emailed each Friday and folded into the Order of Service on Sunday. Send submissions for all UUFF publications, including the Sandwich Road Menu, to announce@uuffm.org. The deadline for submissions to the Sandwich Road Menu is **noon on Wednesday**.

MEETINGHOUSE CALENDAR

SUNDAY, December 17

10:00 AM Service & Religious Ed
11:15 AM Sermon Discussion
11:15 AM Faith Formation Committee
11:15 AM Youth Choir Rehearsal
11:15 AM Ways & Means Committee

MONDAY, December 18

7:00 PM Choir Rehearsal

TUESDAY, December 19

1:00 PM Mah Jongg
1:30 PM Fellowship Group #1
4:00 PM Social Action Committee
5:00 PM Communications Committee
7:00 PM Soto Zen Sangha

WEDNESDAY, December 20

5:00 PM Lay Ministry Meeting
7:00 PM Governing Board Meeting

THURSDAY, December 21

8:00 AM Men's Breakfast
9:45 AM B&G Committee
5:30 PM Women's AA
7:00 PM Music Committee
7:00 PM WINTER SOLSTICE SVC

FRIDAY, December 22

3:45 PM Caroling for Shut-ins

SATURDAY, December 23

10:00 AM Choir Rehearsal