



Thank you to:
Zoom Host: Sheryl LaFayette,
Ushers: Kate Imhoff & Nick Francis
Coffee Hour Hosts
and to our participants, staff and leadership

Our flowers today are given by
Skip Warren
in loving memory of departed family members.



FIRST PARISH CHURCH OF STOW & ACTON

Unitarian Universalist



Sunday, September 25, 2022

The Rev. Dr. Cynthia L. Landrum, Minister
Marissa Evans, Acting Director of Religious Education
Marie Egan, Temporary Parish Administrator
Brad Dumont, Music Director
Sanghee Kim, Organist/Pianist
Mike Silkonis, Sexton
Ben Child, Tech Assistant
Janet Beatrice, External Publicity
Sharon Brownfield, President
Jenni Edgerton, Vice President
Bill Froberg, Treasurer
Johanna Pyle, Clerk

*First Parish is a Unitarian Universalist Association Welcoming Congregation.
We warmly welcome gay, lesbian, bisexual, and transgender
people into our community.*

Large print orders of service and hymnals are available from an usher to help everyone be a part of worship in the fullest way possible. Assisted Listening Devices are available when worship is in the sanctuary.

On the web at fpc-stow-acton.org and on Facebook.

** Please rise in body or in spirit.*

ONLINE SUPPLEMENT PAGE

This page contains information specifically for folks joining us online!

Today's Online Helpers

Zoom Host: Sheryl LaFayette

Hymn Lyrics

Hymn #188 *Come, Come, Whoever You Are*

Come, come, whoever you are,
wanderer, worshiper, lover of leaving.
Ours is no caravan of despair.
Come, yet again come.

Hymn #1032 *Daoona Nayeesh*

Daoona nayeesh beesalaam;
daoona nayeesh Beemaan;
daoona nansij;
Ahlaam;
daoona namoot beesalaam.

[translation from Arabic: Let us live in peace. Let us live in inner peace. Let us weave our dreams together. Let us die in peace.]

Hymn#1074 *Turn the World Around*

1. We come from the fire, living in the fire, go back to the fire, turn the world around.
2. We come from the water, living in the water, go back to the water, turn the world around.

3. We come from the mountain, living on the mountain, go back to the mountain, turn the world around.

Chorus 1: Whoa, so is life! Ah, so is life! Whoa, so is life! Ah, so is life!

Chorus 2: Whoa, so is life! Abateewah, so is life! Whoa, so is life! Abateewah, so is life!

Chorus 3: Whoa, so is life! Abateewah, (ha!) so is life! Whoa, so is life! Abateewah, (ha!) so is life!

Section 1. Do you know who I am? Do I know who you are? See we one another clearly? Do we know who we are?

Section 2. Do you know who I am? Do I know who you are? See we one another clearly? Do we know who we are? Do you know who I am? Do I know who you are? See we one another clearly? Do we know who we are?

1. Water make the river, river wash the mountain, Fire make the sunlight, turn the world around.

2. Heart is of the river, body is the mountain, Spirit is the sunlight, turn the world around.

3. We are of the spirit, truly of the spirit, Only can the spirit turn the world around!

Sharing Our Gifts

If you are mailing a pledge or a donation, here is the information:

Pledges: attn: Pledge Secretary, PO Box 215, Stow MA 01775
Donations: attn: Treasurer, 353 Great Rd, Stow MA 01775

Plate Sharing This Month

OPEN TABLE



Open Table's Mission is to end hunger in the local community by providing healthy food in ways that respect the dignity and diversity of those served. Open Table achieves this mission by:

- Offering a wide variety of healthy and culturally appropriate food choices in the pantry and meal programs.
- Engaging a team of diverse, committed and passionate staff and volunteers

Coffee and Chat

Tuesday mornings from 10AM-11AM



Meet at the Town Park adjacent to FPC.
Everyone welcome. Bring your own coffee!

Thank you!
~Ann Sadler

Vespers Service

Thursday September 29, 6 pm
Refresh, Renew, Revitalize: Recharging ourselves for our work for justice.
Rev. Dr. Cynthia L. Landrum
Between the Peace Vigil and the Choir Rehearsal, come join us for a time of poetry, prayer, and song.



Sunday, September 25 at FPC

Service: 10 am – 11 am Sanctuary and On-line
High School Discussion Group 10 am
Coffee Hour: 11 am Fellowship Hall
Spiritual Conversations 12 noon, On-line
FPC Jazz Band Performance 2:30 pm at New Horizons, Marlboro
Junior Youth Group 4:30-5:30 pm, Fellowship Hall
Crossing Paths Parent Orientation, 4:30-5:30 pm, Community Rm

This Week in Religious Education

Sunday Morning Religious Education Classes - join us at 10am in the sanctuary, then children & youth will proceed downstairs to their classes:

PreK-5th grade: We explore the bigger picture of Belonging: our place in the interconnected web of life, and what some people call God, Spirit of Life, or Great Mystery.

6th-8th grade: Our study of world religions begins with Unitarian Universalism, and we discuss & play games related to the Eight Practices of Welcoming.

9-12th grade: In this first High School Discussion Group, youth get to brainstorm and select topics for the year.

Junior Youth Group & Crossing Paths Parent Orientation: this Sunday at 4:30pm-5:30pm. Junior Youth will make slime and have a social hour (siblings are welcome too); parents will learn more about this year's world religions program. Though the potluck has been cancelled, join us for some apple crumble outside afterwards.

Today at Coffee Hour: Visit the Memorial Garden table in our Fellowship Hall and find more information, volunteer, or even reserve your spot.

This Week at FPC

- Monday Jazz Band 7pm Sanctuary
Sounds of Stow 7pm Hall
- Tuesday Coffee & Chat at the Gazebo 10am-11am
Pie Crust 5 pm Hall Kitchen
- Wednesday Collect Apples
Worship Committee 12:30 pm Zoom
Meditation 7:30 pm Zoom and Hall
- Thursday Collect Apples
Peel Apples 5pm Vestry
Peace Vigil 5 pm front of church
Vespers 6 pm Sanctuary and Community Room
Choir Rehearsal 7:15 Sanctuary
- Friday Bake Pies 6:30 am; Bag, Store (Hall K, Hall)
- Saturday Sell Pies 10:45 – 1pm Pie Shed

Sunday October 2, 2022

“Courage” Rev. Dr. Cynthia L. Landrum

10 am in the Sanctuary and online

It can be hard to find the courage to speak up with an unpopular opinion, or in the face of oppression. This service will talk about courage, how to find it, and include some techniques for moving beyond being a bystander.

Join Worship by Video: <https://tinyurl.com/2223fpc>

Meeting ID: 9990 7077 00266 Passcode: 01775

Join Worship by Phone: (929) 205-6099 (toll call)

Next Month

Word Card Making Day

Saturday Oct 1, 2022, 12-2 pm

West Acton Baptist Church

592 Massachusetts Ave., Acton

Children/beginners to advanced crafters

No charge, but bring items for Acton Food Pantry or donate to West Acton Baptist Church Loving Hearts Fund

Islamic Devotional Singing

and the World Muslim Choral Ensemble

Sunday October 9, 10 am Service, Sanctuary and On-line

For our October 9 service, we will welcome members of Boston-based ensemble VOICES 21C for a morning led by Director of Music Brad Dumont and Krystal Morin with ensemble Artistic Director André de Quadros focused on Islamic devotional singing and the experience of participating in the inaugural World Muslim Choral Ensemble in Sri Lanka in July 2022.

VOICES 21C is an artists' collective that is devoted to exercising the choral art in pursuit of human rights and justice, dedicated to a mission of global understanding through music. VOICES 21C has had a particular focus on Islamic devotional singing and having conversations to combat Islamophobia in the United States, including annual participation with Vilna Shul in Boston, the Center for Jewish Culture as part of their interfaith concert.

Brad's participation in the World Muslim Choral Ensemble was partially supported by a portion of his professional development funds from FPC.

Fall 2022 Apple Pie Project



The First Parish Church of Stow and Acton Apple Pie Project is a GO for fall 2022! See below for how we plan to make the Apple Pie Project happen this fall!

Dough making: Dough making will take place in the Fellowship Hall Kitchen, where experienced leaders will coach/supervise vaccinated volunteers in the process. Volunteers will be asked to wear masks while in the building. Days/times TDB, usually M-W.

Apple collecting: We will continue as we have the past few years, with *apples being collected on Tues. and Wed. from Shelburne Farm and delivered to FPC by 4 pm Wed..*

Apple peeling/prep: We will continue to have volunteers collect apples at church to be washed, peeled, and sliced.

- Apples can be picked up by individuals from the church on Wed. afternoons between the hours of 4-7 pm. The apples will be in bins along the first two bays of the carriage shed.
- Peelers are asked to take the apples home, wash them, peel them, core them, and cut them into pie slices. Bags for the cleaned apple slices to be stored in will be provided.
- If folks want to gather in **the vestry to do apple prep on Thursdays, it is reserved from 5:00PM-9:00pm.** Current church masking protocols will apply and folks will be asked to make sure the space is clean and returned to its normal configuration before leaving at the end of the night.
- Peelers can drop off the apple bags and bags of slices in the bins at the church before 9 pm Thursday where volunteers will collect and store the apple slices overnight. (NOTE: If you choose to peel your apples on Wednesday or early on Thursday, please refrigerate them until you are ready to deliver them.)

Baking: Our Friday morning baking routine will be similar to last year. All volunteers will be asked to wear masks in the building.

- Given that covid rates are holding steady, we will continue with our social distancing in the kitchen, generally allowing 3 individuals to space out along the counter along the windows to roll dough and 2 individuals at the metal table in the center of the kitchen for rolling/crimping.
- Filling the dough will take place in the Hall with individuals social distancing.

Bagging: Bagging will take place in the Fellowship Hall as usual. All baggers will be asked to wear masks in the building.

Selling, Quantities, and Price: We may be returning to selling out of the pie shed this year. Sellers will be asked to wear a mask. How many pies we will be able to make depends on how many folks are willing to volunteer! We will plan to make about 80 pies per week but will adjust as needed. We plan to sell pies at \$18, in keeping with the price at local farm stands.

When to start/what to offer

- **Our current plan is to begin the project the week of Sept. 12nd,** with the first sales being on Sat., Sept. 17th
- The project will run the usual 4 weeks, ending the weekend of Columbus Day/Indigenous People's Day (**our last sales weekend will be October 8-9th.**)
- We will not be offering baked goods each week, as the baked goods table folks plan to host their own event on a specific day.
- **Saturday Pie Sales 9:45am-1:00pm**
- **Sunday Pie Sales 10:45am-1:00pm**



Sign ups: *Signing up in advance for roles in the pie project is important and appreciated.*

The sign up form is up and ready to be filled! Here is the link: <https://tinyurl.com/fpc22pies>

If you have questions, comments, or concerns regarding the apple pie project this year, please contact **Pie Project Coordinator, Rebecca Stadolnik**, at applepies@fpc-stow-acton.org.