Sunday October 23, 2022, 10:00 AM Into the Woods Act One: Once Upon a Time/The Before Times

Prelude Sheep May Safely Graze Sanghee Kim, piano

J. S. Bach

Land Acknowledgement, Welcome & Announcements

Introit Into the Woods Opening† FPC Adult Choir

Our Story Begins Marissa Evans,
Acting Director of Religious Education

Opening Words The Rev. Dr. Cynthia L. Landrum

Chalice Lighting

* Hymn #188 Come, Come, Whoever You Are

* Covenant

Love is the spirit of this church, and service its law.
This is our great covenant:
To dwell together in peace, to seek the truth in love, and to help one another.

* Affirmation

From all that dwell below the skies let words of love and peace arise. Let joyful songs of praise be sung, through every land, by every tongue.

Our Story Thus Far

Marissa Evans

Reflections The Rev. Dr. Cynthia L. Landrum

This month we share our weekly offering with OUT Metrowest Checks may be made to "First Parish Church" or donate online at https://fpc-stow-acton.org/donate or by text to (978) 310-3309.

Musical Offerings: I Know Things Now†

Giants in the Sky†

Katy Weeks Dave Kay

Act Two: After the Giant Comes/Rebuilding

Our Story Thus Far

Marissa Evans

Reflections

Brad Dumont, Music Director

Song

Children Will Listen† FPC Adult Choir

Careful the things you say, children will listen.

Careful the things you do, children will see. And Learn.

Children may not obey, but children will listen.

Children will look to you for which way to turn,

to learn what to be.

Careful before you say, "Listen to me."

Children will listen.

Reflections

The Rev. Dr. Cynthia L. Landrum

Jovs and Sorrows

Susie O'Brien, Lay Minister

Song

No One Is Alone†

FPC Adult Choir

Our Story Concludes

Marissa Evans

Closing Words

The Rev. Dr. Cynthia L. Landrum

* Benediction

Peace Be With You

Peace be with you 'til we meet again!

As life lays its task before you,

keep love's banner floating o'er you.

Peace be with you 'till we meet again.

Postlude

Into the Woods Finale†

FPC Adult Choir

Sharing Our Gifts

^{*} Please rise in body or in spirit. † Song by Stephen Sondheim

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Thank you to:
Sharon Brownfield, Zoom Host
Zoom Helper,
Kate Imhoff & Nick Francis, Ushers
FPC Adult Choir, Katy Weeks, Dave Kay, Hymn leaders,
Coffee Hour Hosts
and to our staff and leadership

Our flowers today are given by Sue Abrahamsen, in loving memory of Tom Abrahamsen on the anniversary of his death.

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Connect with First Parish Church

Services Sunday at 10 am, in person and online

Subscribe to

The Chronicle, our monthly emailed newsletter, This Week at FPC, our weekly Friday email, and our email groups FPC Announce and FPC Forum, all at https://www.fpc-stow-acton.org/subscribe-newsletters

FIRST PARISH CHURCH OF STOW & ACTON

Unitarian Universalist



Sunday, October 23, 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.

ONLINE SUPPLEMENT PAGE

This page contains information specifically for folks joining us online!

Today's Online Helpers

Zoom Host: Sharon Brownfield Online Greeter:

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.

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

OUT MetroWest



Out MetroWest is a non-profit organization that offers free programs for LGBTQ+ young people from pre-K through high school, including specific programs for trans and gender expansive children and youth.

Out MetroWest offers a safe and welcoming physical space for youth and their families to be themselves, to find friends and support.

Out MetroWest offers nearly 20 programs each month at 6 locations including their center in Framingham and satellite locations in Acton, Medway, Needham, Waltham, and Westborough.

The director of Out MetroWest is FPC's former Youth Coordinator - Whitney Retallic. For more information see OUTMetrowest.org

Coffee and Chat Tuesdays 10 - 11 am

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

Meditation Wednesdays 7:30-8:30 pm Hall and online

Everyone welcome. Contact $\underline{meditation@fpc\text{-stow-acton.org}}$ for more information

Peace Vigil Thursdays 5 – 6 pm

Meet between Common Road and Great Road in front of FPC. Everyone welcome. Contact Neil Saunders neilsaund@verizon.net for more information.

Today at FPC: October 23, 2022

10 am Service

11 am Coffee Hour Fellowship Hall featuring representatives from FPC Social Justice groups

12 pm Spiritual Conversations Parlor and On-line 2pm Don Rising Memorial Service Sanctuary

Religious Education this Sunday:

No RE classes today - children and youth are invited to stay for an intergenerational service based on the fairytale *Into the Woods*, with music and storytelling for all ages! Activity packets are available. **Junior Youth** will meet after the service to continue planning the Haunted House.

Halloween Party Saturday October 29

5:30-8 pm Fellowship Hall All Ages. Join us for fun Halloween-themed games, pumpkin painting, dancing, crafts, a snacking area, and a Haunted House. Junior Youth have selected the Haunted House theme: School Gone Wrong!



Volunteers wanted: make spooky snacks or desserts, help set up on Friday night, help clean up on Saturday! Please sign up here: https://tinyurl.com/fpchaunted

Open Choir

Sanctuary First Sundays. Childcare provided. Rehearse at 9 am, Sing at 10 am Service. ALL ARE WELCOME! Even if you haven't sung in a choir before, we will encourage you to try at your comfort level and have you stand near people who can help support you. Brad btdumont@gmail.com

First Annual FPC Art Gallery Showing

March 17-19, 2023. Watch FPC Announce for Application Form. Deadline to apply Jan 13, 2023. More info in November's *The Chronicle*.

This Week at FPC October 24-29, 2022

Monday Sounds of Stow Rehearsal 7-9 pm Fellowship Hall

Jazz Band Rehearsal 7-9 pm

Racial Justice Task Force Drop In 7 pm online

Tuesday Coffee and Chat, 10 am, Town Park Gazebo

Wednesday Worship Committee 12:30 pm online

> Social Justice Council Meeting 7-9 pm online Meditation 7:30-8:30 pm, Fellowship Hall, online

Archives Committee 9:30-11:30 Vestry **Thursday**

Peace Vigil 5-6 pm outside FPC near Great Road

Vespers 6 pm Community Room Choir Rehearsal, 7:15-9 pm Sanctuary

Halloween Party 5:30-8:30 Fellowship Hall **Saturday**

Pamela Means Concert 7:30-9:30 Sanctuary

Next Sunday's Service October 30, 2022 10 AM Sanctuary

All Souls Day Service – Rev. Dr. Cynthia L. Landrum Bring photos and mementos of loved ones (including beloved animals) who have died in the last year as we build an altar of remembrance to honor them. You can submit photos electronically for our digital altar at

https://www.dropbox.com/request/X9xOdsP5cc17Kn4uC8Dq

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

Meeting ID: 9990 7077 00266 Passcode: 01775

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

Bridge Group

The Bridge Group is ready to restart in person meetings, every Friday 1 pm in the Community Room. If you like to play bridge and are at least a moderate player, then this is the group for you. Add yourself to bridge@fpc.groups.io, or email Hector Constantzos Hconstantzos@gmail.com with any questions. Once enough people are interested to make at least 2 tables, we'll schedule the first game (probably November 4).



Pamela Means Presents The Power of the Protest Song: Our Shared History & Present Day Saturday October 29, 7:30-9 pm Sanctuary

Mass Cultural Council, a state agency.

Part-performance and part-presentation, this family-friendly public event explores the origin stories and lineages of protest songs, how their meanings and effects continue to transform through time and space, and how they have inspired--and continue to inspire-movements and cultural shifts within the realms of racial and social justice. In addition, Pamela also shares her own experiences with becoming an artist and using her voice. A curated rotating assortment of original songs and select, recognizable covers are integrated into the presentation as a powerful demonstration of how grounding, unifying, and mobilizing protest songs can be.