FIRST PARISH OF WESTWOOD, UCC

Growing Faith + Sharing Love + Grounding Lives



We are an Open & Affirming Church

First Parish of Westwood affirms the dignity and worth of every person regardless of race, gender, age, sexual orientation, gender identity or expression, physical or mental ability, family structure, education level, economic circumstance and faith or religious tradition.

October 7, 2021

Join us this Sunday, October 10th at 10am. First Parish Church will be holding an in-person worship service.

The service will also be live streamed on our Facebook page. To access the Facebook page, please <u>click here</u>.

There is no Sunday School or Nursery care this Sunday.

COVID Protocols:

Everyone who attends in-person worship should wear a mask and will be asked to sign-in upon arrival. Distancing will be maintained and windows will be open.



Neighbors In Need Offering



Neighbors in Need "Unfailing Love" offering is still being collected. This offering is focused on supporting organizations and projects that are serving homeless and immigrant neighbors or communities. One-third of NIN funds support the Council for American Indian Ministry. Two-thirds of this offering is used by the UCC's Justice and Witness Ministries to provide finding grants to UCC churches and organizations leading justice initiatives, advocacy efforts, and direct service projects in their communities.

Donations may also be sent to the church office.

In Our Thoughts and Prayers

We recently learned of the passing of Anne Egbert who, along with her loyal poodle, St. Tim, worshipped here at First Parish. A memorial service was held for Anne at the Second Congregational Church in Greenwich, Connecticut in July.





Interfaith Mini Walk for Hunger -Calling all walkers for the First Parish team!!!!

With need greater than ever, join us for the 12th Interfaith Mini-Walk for Hunger on **Sunday, October 17th at 2pm**. The walk begins and ends at Temple Beth David.

A First Parish team is being assembled. Sign-up to walk or to be a sponsor! Contact the church office at office@firstparishwestwood.org

Let's live our shared values to help those in need by supporting Project Bread, an organization which ensures our neighbors in our community have the food they need. For additional information and registration links, please <u>click here</u>.

Winter Clothing Drive – October's Mission Project

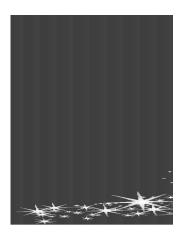
A collection is now underway for winter clothes.

Note: Please donate NEW or BARELY USED/CLEAN COATS; and NEW hats, gloves/mittens, scarves and socks for youth



and adults. Other new or barely used (must be in excellent condition) clothing for youth up to age 12 will also be accepted.

We will collect donations throughout the month of October at worship on Sundays and during the week outside the church office during office hours.



Christmas Fair - Saturday, December 4th

The fair has a date! We are having the Christmas Fair on Saturday, Dec 4 from 9am - 1pm.

We will be selling wreaths, Christmas decor, knit goods, jewelry, cookies and baked goods. We will also hold a silent auction and sell clam chowder and chili to go.

If you want to volunteer to help with this event, please let the office know!

Important Dates at a Glance

October

- Monday, Oct. 11 School Holiday/Church closed
- Sunday, Oct. 17 Worship followed by a baptism and Walk for Hunger @ 2PM
- Sunday, Oct. 31 Halloween

November

- Monday, Nov. 1 All Saints' Day
- Saturday, Nov. 6 Memorial Service for Don Freidl @ 2PM
- Sunday, Nov. 7 End of Daylight Savings (fall back on hour!), Communion and Fall Clean-up after worship (w/pizza for volunteers)
- Thursday, Nov. 25 Thanksgiving
- Sunday, Nov. 28 1st Sunday in Advent

December

Saturday, Dec. 4 - Christmas Fair



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