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October 2019 Newsletter

**November newsletter deadline:
Friday, October 25**

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Worship

Sunday, October 6, 10:25am

This service for ages will have for its theme "Faith in the Trees." Our religious education program for the children this year has precisely this theme, with participating children, youth, and adults, spending most Sunday mornings outside on the grounds of our Parish House. This Sunday, weather permitting, we will worship together on the Parish House front lawn. All - as always! - are welcome!



Our monthly outreach offering will be given to "No More Deaths" - an organization in Arizona working to eliminate migrant deaths in the desert. More details are in the Social Justice Council section of this newsletter.

At noon in the parlor there will be a Forum given by Old Ship member Anne McGuire, "Giving a Voice to Vaccine Choice."

Sunday, October 13, 10:25am

Ken's sermon will be "What Endures?" Whether in the midst of national chaos or personal challenges, what endures? What can we count on? How do we keep on?

Sunday, October 20, 10:25am

Ken will be preaching at First Parish in Cambridge as his half of a pulpit exchange, as we welcome to our Old Ship pulpit Rev. Adam Dyer, the minister at First Parish Cambridge. Ken was ordained by the Cambridge congregation in September thirty-five years ago.

Adam Dyer's sermon will be "We are the Power." Adam writes: "Who is the "we" when we speak of "the power of WE?" - in it I will explore what it means to call ourselves "we" in relation to our congregational units and as part of the larger Unitarian Universalist community." To learn more about Adam go to www.firstparishcambridge.org.

During Fellowship Hour, crafts will be available for sale to support Central American organizations working for justice and education. See the Social Justice Council section of this newsletter for details.

Sunday, October 27, 10:25am

Ken will be bringing an adaptation of the sermon he preached in Cambridge to mark the 35th anniversary of his ordination there, which in turn was an update of a sermon he preached at Old Ship marking the twentieth anniversary of his ordination. The sermon is "Return to the Most

Human" (a line taken from a May Sarton poem) and is a reflection on the meanings and purpose of the ministry we share in congregations such as ours.

Most Sunday mornings...

Most Sunday mornings at Old Ship begin with gatherings in small circles in the Parish House parlor for sharing and spiritual enrichment. And we are all invited! Our web site has more detailed information about these opportunities: The "Way of the Bodhisattva Study/Meditation Group" meets at 8:30 on the first and third Sundays of each month. "Men's Breakfast" meets at 8:30 on the second Sunday of each month for sharing and conversation. And the Women's Breakfast meets at 8:30 on the fourth Sunday of each month.

Childcare available before Sunday services: If you plan to attend any early morning gathering or committee meeting and need childcare in order to do so, please call our office by Wednesday before the Sunday, and we will do our best to arrange childcare in the nursery for you.

Musing

from the minister's desk

You may have seen in the current issue of "UU World" the following brief - but I think powerful and helpful - reflection on the quality of hope from my colleague and former classmate Rev. Lindi Ramsden. She spoke these words as she preached at June's UUA General Assembly about climate change and the legacies of colonialism and racism:

...nothing slows momentum like giving up hope. And hope is not optional for those whose lives stretch out into the next seventy years. For me, hope is not a feeling to have or not have. It is a virtue to be cultivated, a religious practice that nourishes your soul.

There are many ways, it seems to me, to cultivate and nourish this virtue of hope. One of these ways is to hang out with youth who are speaking up, speaking out, organizing, rallying, marching for climate justice or other pressing issues of our time. After all, how can your hope not be nourished when you see images and videos of millions of young people marching in Sydney, Mumbai, Nairobi, Berlin, Dublin, New York, Washington, and hundreds of other cities and towns around the world? How can your hope not be nourished when you stand on Boston's City Hall Plaza surrounded by the energy of youth and hearing impassioned pleas for action and justice from youth on the stage?

My hope was certainly strengthened by all this last month on the day of the Global Climate Strike. Was yours? I hope so. Even as the current administration in Washington continues its campaign of climate denial and deregulation, gutting environmental protections across the board.

It's not that we can now count on young people to save the day. Not in the least. We all need to be on board. Indeed, one of the activist groups with a table on City Hall Plaza last Friday was staffed by former youth: "Elders Climate Acton." In short, when it comes to climate activism (or activism in relation to whatever touches your heart) there's a place for everyone at the table and on the streets or sending emails and letters.

There are certainly days for each of us when, as one of our hymns puts it, hope is hard to find, whether when it comes to a personal challenge or when it comes to the times in which we are living. But one of the virtues of community is that we can nourish each other's hope, lift one another's spirits, inspire our neighbor when we find the strength to keep on in the midst of trial and trouble.

One of the many reasons I am grateful to be part of this Old Ship community.

Peace, blessings, and love,
Ken
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My Parish House office hours are ordinarily Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday mornings from about 10:00 - 2:00 and by appointment. Monday is my day off, and Thursday is usually my sermon writing day. My primary phone contact is through the Parish House office - 781-749-1679. The office answering machine includes my cell phone if you need to reach me quickly - since when I

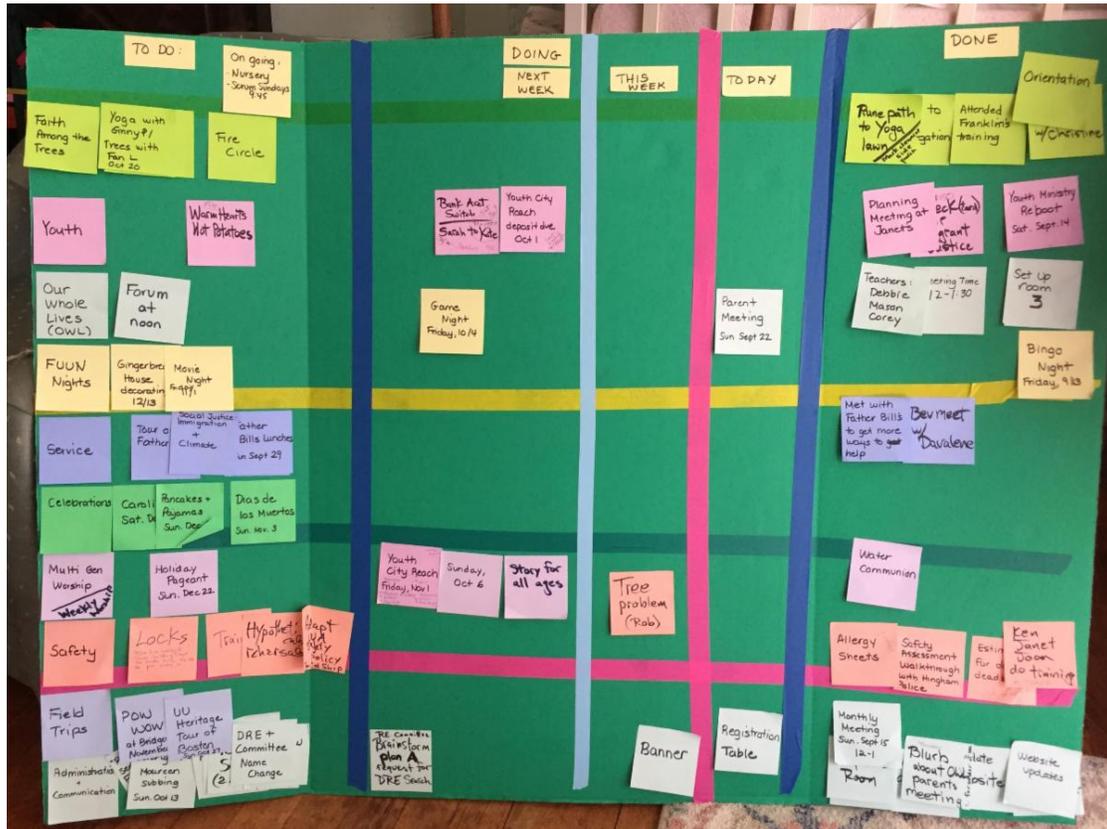
am not in the office I am either working in my study at home, or making visits or attending meetings elsewhere. I can also be reached via email, oldshipkrb@gmail.com.

--Ken

Director of Religious Education

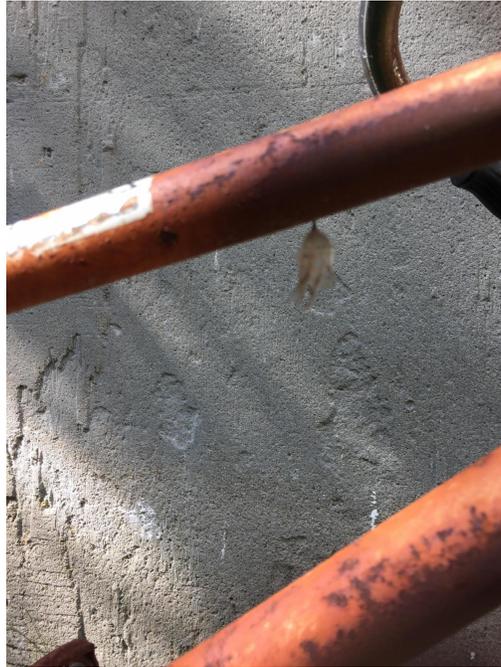
Dear Old Ship,

This past Sunday I made a joke about being like poet Mary Oliver, with less talent and a shorter attention span... I was only half kidding...



See that chart of things to do in the photo above? That's a small fraction of the things I'm supposed to be doing... You may notice that writing this newsletter isn't even on there...

Writing this newsletter is what I'm supposed to be doing right now... But I'm in my backyard watching a monarch butterfly that has just eclosed from its chrysalis... Guarding it from birds until it's strong enough to head off to Mexico. Two years ago I built raised beds in the manner that our youth group learned in West Virginia... I wheel-barrowed in SO much soil...



I planted plants to attract and nurture bees and butterflies...
And this year four monarch caterpillars made their home in my beds and ate all of my butterfly weed... I'm not sure what happened to the rest of the guys, but this fella attached himself to a rusty tandem bike that I'd brought home from Old Ship years ago when Bikes-Not-Bombs refused it...

It all ties together ...
It's all connected ...
And I am right where I'm supposed to be...
Where I most want to be...
And I feel very fully alive...



I am hoping that this is some of what we will be learning and teaching this year during our "Faith Among the Trees" time together.

Brightest of bright blessings,
Beverly Tricco
Director of Religious Education

A Word from the Board of Trustees

Welcome back!

Our gratitude to everyone who attended our congregational conversation on our first day back. Talk about getting back into the swing of things. We appreciate everyone's opinions and thoughts on the parish house sale.



If you were not able to attend, the conversation was centered on communication regarding the sale of the parish house and the reduction in price. Many people shared their ideas as to what is the best way to proceed for our congregation. At the conclusion of the meeting, it was requested that we call for a formal vote on whether or not to continue trying to sell the parish house.

Before doing that, however, there were some questions that arose from this discussion that people wanted to have answered. For example, it was brought up that there was some language in the Old Ship Meeting House preservation grant that could indicate a restriction on the usage of the land. We are in contact with Massachusetts Historical Commission to get some clarity on this. Questions also arose about the status of interested buyers and the cost of building a reduced size parish house.

The Board is gathering as much information as possible to be able to answer these and other questions before scheduling the vote. It is our hope to be able to announce that shortly.

There are a lot of decisions in front of us this church year in addition to how best use our property. We are looking for a new Music Director. Our Director of Religious Education is retiring. Our Building & Grounds committee is working around the clock to keep our ship afloat.

We will be having some serious discussions about stewarding all of our resources for the future. As we undertake these, and other decisions, this year let us use our Old Ship vision statement to guide us. This year is all about possibilities.

"We would be a vibrant, evolving, spiritual Unitarian Universalist congregation with a large, diverse, multi-generational community, where all are welcomed warmly; bursting at the seams with full participation; and an active ethical and spiritual force working together to make the larger community a better place to live"

~Janet Asnes, Board of Trustees President

Educating Minds and Hearts

Old Ship Life Learning

For a complete listing of this year's classes and ongoing programs, see the "learning" page on our web site <http://www.oldshipchurch.org/for-adults.html>, where the complete list of this year's offerings of classes and ongoing groups will be listed: including meditation sessions, the Bodhisattva Study Group, Men's Breakfast, Women's Breakfast, ceilidh (song circle), Sacred Texts Meditation Group, and Fiber Funship.

New Saturday Morning Meditation Group

Kitty Ward and Catherine Mayes will facilitate a twice-monthly meditation session at 10AM on Saturdays starting Starting Saturday October 13. We will meet regularly on the second and fourth Saturday of the month in the Parish House Parlor. Opportunities for both walking and sitting meditation will be available. All are welcome. A Meditation session is additionally available on Saturday October 5. If you have questions please feel free to contact Catherine Mayes at Catherinesmayes@aol.com



Study Group: The Way of the Bodhisattva - first and third Sun. mornings 8:30

Half an hour of sitting meditation, followed by an hour conversation based on a Buddhist text, ancient or contemporary. This group has been meeting for many years, moving from one text to another, and always welcoming newcomers. This year we are just beginning the book *Happiness is an Inside Job* by Sylvia Boorstein, so it is a particularly good time to try the group out. No previous experience with Buddhism or meditation is needed. For more info contact Ken Read-Brown, oldshipkrb@gmail.com.

Sunday Forum: Giving a Voice to Vaccine Choice - Sunday, October 6, noon led by Anne McGuire

Anne writes: "To enhance our health, it's important to make informed decisions about food, life-style, and health care. But how can we make the best health choices for ourselves or our families if we don't consider new or divergent information and ideas? You are invited to explore historical, scientific, and personal reasons why some people embrace freedom of choice with regard to vaccines. Learning about this minority opinion may benefit our understanding and help us realize we are all not so different as we might be led to believe."



Workshop: So You Want to Meditate- Saturday, October 26, 3:00 to 5:00

led by Ken Read-Brown

Whether you are a long time meditator or wish to begin, and whether you've attended one of Ken's meditation classes or not, this gathering will offer some basic instruction in mindfulness meditation and in Eknath Easwaran's passage meditation. There will be time for questions and conversation, and time to meditate. All are welcome.

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The Life Learning Committee invites and welcomes your suggestions for classes, forums, and workshops for the coming year. Contact any member of the committee with your ideas:

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Our Community

Committee on Ministry

The Committee on Ministry, with a rotating membership appointed by our Board of Trustees, meets monthly with our minister, Ken Read-Brown, to reflect on the five ministries of

Old Ship and sometimes to discuss particular current concerns or issues with the life of our congregation.

Input, questions, concerns, ideas from Old Ship members and friends is of course always welcome. Feel free to contact Ken or any of the members of the committee: Eva Marx, Rob Baynes, Cory Fitz-Marquez, John Sneath, Pam Harty, and Dennis Hogan.

Care Giver Group

Old Ship offers a care-giver group the second Friday of each month. We meet at 1 in the Parish House Parlor. Are you someone who is caring for a wife, husband, parent, child or family member who would like to meet in a like minded supportive community? If so we encourage you to join us. If you have questions or would like to join us please call Kitty Ward at 781-749-3108 or Diane Elliott at 781-749-2248. All are welcome.

Pastoral Care Leadership Team

The Pastoral Care Leadership Team meets monthly with Ken and often coordinates meals and other forms of caring for Old Ship individuals and families in the midst of illness or crisis. **If you have a need or are aware of a need that the PCLT might be able to help meet, you may be in touch with Ken or any member of the Team.**

At Old Ship we all share in our mutual caring and helping one another; the Pastoral Care Leadership Team simply helps to identify needs and coordinate responses.

There are specifically three ways Old Ship members might want to help out:

- Rides: Would you be able to give an Old Ship parishioner a ride to church, either regularly or from time to time?
- Food: Would you be willing to prepare a casserole to be given to someone who could use a little extra help following a hospitalization or in the midst of illness or treatments?
- Companionship: Would you be willing to spend a few hours now and then with an Old Ship member when the primary caregiver in their household needs to be away from the home for a short while?



If you might be able to help in any of these ways, please be in touch with a member of the Pastoral Care Leadership Team. Thanks very much!

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Cash for Cartridges

Please bring your used printer cartridges to the Parish House and help raise funds for our office supplies. Drop off your cartridges in the office or in the cabinet right outside the office door. Any brand or type of cartridge is fine. Thank you!

Nurturing Community Council

Food for Fellowship Hour

Fellowship Hour is a time to reconnect or get acquainted over a cup of coffee and a snack. Every Sunday we ask a different segment of the alphabet to bring a plate of food for coffee hour.

October 6: Last names beginning A-H
October 13: Last names beginning I-P
October 20: Last names beginning Q-Z
October 27: Last names beginning A-H
November 3: Last names beginning I-P



Community Dinners - October 26

Please join us for an evening of fun and fellowship on Saturday, October 26 for a Community Dinner. These dinners are groups of 5-9 adults who gather at the home of another Old Ship member for a congenial evening of dinner and conversation.

To host, you are responsible for sending an e-mail invitation to the group assigned to your home, preparing your home for dinner guests, coordinating the contributions for the potluck dinner, and enjoying the evening.

To attend, you are responsible for cooking or bringing some part of the dinner and enjoying the company of other Old Shippers. The only agenda is to get to know one another better, and all are invited!

Alcohol will be served, but we would like to offer an alcohol-free house if someone will offer to host. To host or attend please contact Sharon Prehn, 781-925-0101 or prehn@verizon.net

Welcome Heather!

Welcome to our newest Old Ship member, Heather Nolasco! Although you may not know Heather by name, you will surely recognize her as our smiling soprano with the voice of an angel. Heather found her way to Old Ship through the choir, and since she first sang at a vespers service in 2017, she's made Old Ship her musical and spiritual home. She has had a long and interesting journey from growing up in Palmer, Alaska to now living in Quincy with her husband, Bruno, and cat, Luna. She majored in Music and Linguistics at the University of Oregon, then moved to Boston in 2015 for a 2 year graduate program at Boston Conservatory (now Berklee) focusing on Vocal Performance. She now teaches music lessons for both singing and piano, and is also the vocalist in a jazz combo here in Boston. Other interests include running, enjoying nature, cooking and telling stories about growing up in Alaska. Ask her sometime about her grandfather who was a missionary in Nome, Alaska



Thinking of becoming a member?

Do you like Old Ship and enjoy the Old Ship community? Do you find yourself identifying with the UU principles of freedom and reason in religion? If the answer is yes, then perhaps it is time to consider becoming a member. Often, arriving at Unitarian Universalism is just a step in the evolution of one's thinking and convictions. By signing the membership book you are affirming your connection and commitment to Old Ship and to an open minded, reasoned, compassionate, and inclusive approach to



life and spirituality. We will offer support and encouragement to you as you develop your own spirituality, and we ask that you offer your time, energy & financial support in affirming the ideals and values to which we aspire. As a member, you will be able to vote and participate in the decision-making process of the church. Please contact Ken Read-Brown

(oldshipkrb@gmail.com or Ivy Butterworth (781-749-3190 or ivy_butter@yahoo.com) for more information or to answer any questions/concerns.

Social Justice Council

October Special Plate Collection-Sunday, October 6

This month's special plate will support "No More Deaths," a humanitarian organization in southern Arizona that was founded to reduce or stop the deaths of migrants in the desert. Crossing the desert is especially dangerous and since 2004, volunteers have left food, water, and blankets for those making the journey. They also work to provide emergency medical care, if needed, and document evidence of deaths in the desert. The group also maintains a 24-hour



hotline where family members can report missing persons. Volunteers are in the desert every day doing this work, and in recent years, some volunteers have been charged with federal crimes for harboring, abandoning property on federal land (i.e., the food, water, and blankets) or trespassing or driving on administrative roads on federal (to leave water and other items where migrants cross). Since 2008, No More Deaths is an official ministry of the UU Church in Tucson.

Opportunity to Help Others and Do Some Holiday Shopping-- Sun. Oct. 20, 11:30am-12:30pm

During Coffee Hour on Sunday, October 20, the Social Justice Council will host a fair of area groups selling handcrafted items from Central America. Proceeds will benefit projects and persons in Central American countries. One such group is Under the Same Moon, which raises funds for Asociación Bendición de Dios - a nondenominational, nonprofit school and community development organization in San Juan Alotenango, Guatemala. The school educates about 500 children, most of whom otherwise would not be able to afford the \$250 in annual costs for the "public" school. Under the Same Moon sells handcrafted items made by Guatemalan indigenous artisans and locally sourced, fair trade Guatemalan coffee, Dean's Beans. Under the Same Moon works directly with the artisans or artisans' cooperatives to follow fair trade principles and practices. The purchases provide opportunities for greatly improved earnings for the artisans, leading to a more stable economic well-being. We expect to have one or two other groups here that day, including one group that sells baskets made by women in Honduras. This will be a great opportunity to help those in Central America!

Serving Others through bringing a non-perishable food item for the Hingham Food Pantry

The SJC invites you to continue to Serve Others by bringing a non-perishable food item for the Hingham Food Pantry whenever you come to Old Ship. There is a collection basket in the vestibule of the Meeting House each Sunday to receive your donation. The collection box in the outer vestibule of the Parish House is also available to accept donations when you come for classes or meetings or anytime.

The Pantry has asked for the following items especially needed to restock their shelves after the summer lull in donations:

Canned vegetables (all sorts: canned green beans, corn, peas, and others)

Canned fruit (all sorts: fruit cocktail, canned peaches, pears, pineapple)

Hearty canned soups: Progresso, Campbells Chunky and similar brands

Canned pastas (Chef Boyardee),

Canned stews and chilis

Pasta sauce

Identity / Diversity Learning Opportunity

The Scituate Unity Council will be hosting a community book discussion of *There There* by Tommy Orange...

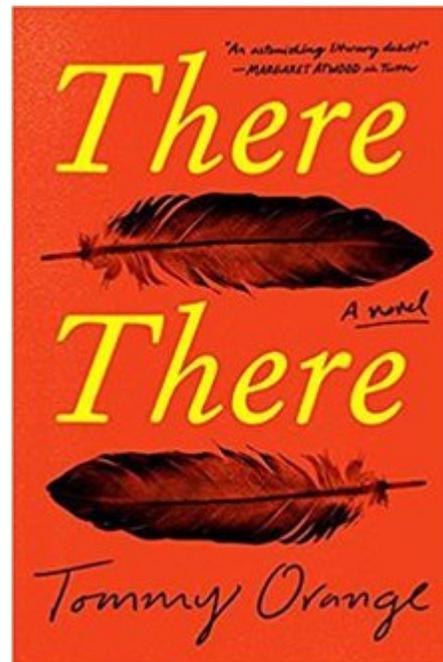
Read: *There There*, by Tommy Orange

Meet: Scituate Library Community Room

Date: Wednesday, Oct. 23, 2019
Time: 6:30pm-8:30pm

The Scituate Unity Council is a node of the South Shore Unity Council whose mission is "Neighbors who seek to understand the complexity of identity and affirm our common humanity through open communication and productive dialogue. Through community events and other learning opportunities, we seek to cultivate an understanding of the shared human experience, while celebrating our uniqueness."

Book overview: *There There* is the first novel by Cheyenne and Arapaho author Tommy Orange. Published in 2018, it opens with an essay by Orange as a prologue, and then proceeds to follow a large cast of Native Americans living in the area of Oakland, California, as they struggle with a wide array of challenges ranging from depression and alcoholism, to unemployment, fetal alcohol syndrome, and the challenges of living with an ethnic identity of being "ambiguously nonwhite." All coalesce at a community pow wow and its attempted robbery.



Anti-racism learning opportunity

Do you want to continue (or initiate!!) your anti-racism work? We are invited by our neighbors up the street at St. John's Episcopal Church, (172 Main street Hingham) to a film-based dialogue of race and faith. Spanning ten sessions starting in early October, we are invited to take "a journey over the sacred ground of racial introspection and reconciliation. In this series offered by St. John's Adult Education, developed by the Episcopal Church, we will walk through the chapters of America's history of race and racism, while weaving in threads of family story, socio-economic status, and political and regional identity." Sessions are offered on Wednesdays 7-8:30 pm starting October 9 (OR Sundays starting October 6, 11:30-1 pm) registration is required and they ask we commit to attend all sessions. For more info visit [sacred-ground](#)

Green Sanctuary Notes for October 2019 from Turner Bledsoe

This Summer and Fall have been a kaleidoscope of events around the climate crisis. Following the record shattering heat spells in July and August, Hurricane Dorian burst on the scene. This was the largest, most powerful, most destructive hurricane ever recorded in the Atlantic Ocean. Lingering wind speeds of 220 mph wreaked havoc on the Bahamas. As I write, Houston again. is recovering from the extensive flooding of another tropical storm "Ismelda". All this has been a more than fitting prelude to what I believe is the best evidence to date that we are approaching "The Turning Point" (to the rescue). Friday, September 20, 2019, marks the largest protest event the world has ever seen: The worldwide youth driven "Global Climate Strike" honoring 16 year old Greta Thunberg of Sweden who has brought this movement to America on the eve of the United Nations Climate Action Summit. Four million youth and supporting adults rallied in major cities of 163 countries on multiple continents around the world. In Boston at the City Hall, thousands gathered for songs, chants speeches - and a march to the Statehouse for more. Old Shippers were well represented among UUs from all over the state.

This youth awakening has driven the climate crisis into the spotlight of national politics in America. At long last all contenders for the Democratic Presidential candidacy recognize the climate crisis and most have plans to advance a "Green New Deal" to find a solution. Because the Trump administration, the Republican controlled Senate and Statehouses continue to expand gas infrastructure, dismantle existing protections of the environment, and resist both renewable energy development and use (in electric vehicles) - the upcoming Presidential, Congressional and Statehouse elections of 2020 will undoubtedly determine our ultimate future.

However, the challenge of halting global heating cannot wait for a political transformation that may be ahead, nor can it be won by politicians alone. Each of us must start now to electrify our heating, cooking, and transportation, and to reduce our intake of red meat. We need to lobby the dairy industry to implement fermentation reducing feed and limit our intake of dairy products that don't meet that standard. Using Seventh Generation recycled paper products (toilet paper and paper towels) is the best way to protect against the destruction of the Northern Boreal

forest. Finally, if you continue to own petroleum industry stock, you will be funding "the breaking of the carbon budget" that takes the world beyond 2 degrees C. Our future is in our own hands!

UU Urban Ministry (UUUM)

Events and volunteer opportunities with our Roxbury-based partner, UU Urban Ministry:

-Youth-led walking tour of Roxbury 10/12 (1 and 2:15 pm) and 10/26 (1 pm): "Are you curious about the history of Boston? Interested to know more about the First Church in Roxbury's role in the Revolutionary War? Do you wonder what architectural styles can be found in John Eliot Square?" Support the UUUM by attending the tour!! Make a day of it!! Grab lunch at the Dudley cafe, take the tour, and go browse at Frugal Books!! Either sign up through the link, or look for a carpool partner through Pam at pamharty@comcast.net

-Seeking SAT and ACT test prep volunteers for Roxbury Youth Program students. Tutoring a small group of students bi-weekly in the Fall, volunteers work under the close supervision of Roxbury Youth Program staff. Email Christine Dickerson at cdickerson@uuum.org

Interested in advocating for vulnerable communities?

Sign up for the Old Ship Social Justice Action Alert Network to find out about specific advocacy opportunities such as letter writing, advocacy calls, participating in educational/advocacy events with local legislators. Send your email address to Davalene Cooper, Keeper of the List, at davalenecooper@verizon.net

Coffeehouse off the Square - Toni Lynn Washington & Paul Speidel

Saturday October 19, 7:30 pm, Old Ship Parish House

Classic blues singer, Tony Lynn Washington, has performed throughout the United States and Europe during a long, successful career, carrying on the tradition of Bessie Smith, Nellie Lutcher, and other blues greats. According to the Boston Globe she "has a lovely, deep, smooth voice that exudes strength and self-assurance." Toni will be accompanied by longtime blues guitarist Paul Speidel. Toni and Paul were a hit with our audience in an earlier performance. Profits benefit the Unitarian Universalist Service Committee. This is another way we support UUSC! And we get to hear great, live music!

Interested in Social Justice work at Old Ship?

You are welcome at any Social Justice Council meeting to talk with us about your ideas of how Old Ship can Serve Others. Our next meeting will be Saturday 11/23 at 9 am in the Parlor of the Parish House. Contact Brenda Black blackpollara@verizon.net or Davalene Cooper davalenecooper@verizon.net

Sacred Monsters coming to Old Ship!

Who can these monsters be? Well, relax, as Sacred Monsters is the name of the ensemble that will be featured in the first of the 2019-2020 Candlelight Concerts. The artists known as Sacred Monsters will perform Baroque reflections on the tensions, contradictions, and ecstasies of love and heartbreak, using a variety of instruments. So mark November 3 at 4:00 p.m. on your calendars so that you will be sure to witness this exciting group. Performers include soprano Kyle Leigh Carney and Cameron Welkes (both founders of the group) along with multi-instrumentalist Niccolo Seligmann. The performance is free; contributions are always welcome. Here is a clip of the group:



Ohime ch'io cado (Monteverdi) - Sacred Monsters

**Save the Date
Merrie Market
December 7th**

Plans are afoot and work has commenced on this year's merry event.
Treasures can be dropped off in the Parish House.
Books should not be dropped off until December 1st
Complete details in the November newsletter.

Christmas Wreath Needs

Glorious weather! Go take a walk. Old Ship Christmas Wreaths makers need pine cones. All sizes. We need fungus, horse chestnuts, bay berries (grey-blue) on the branch, hydrangeas, almost anything dried. Put in paper bag in the basement or leave in a bag in the office. Please mark the bag "Bianco". Thank you!



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