

United Parish of Auburndale

TOGETHER

Oct. 9, 2011



Scriptures: Exodus 20: 1-20

Matthew 15:1-9

Preaching: Jean Alexander

Sermon: "Rules of the Road"

Liturgist: Bob Dutton

Scripture Reader: Susan O'Connell

Head Ushers: Sue & Gar O'Connell

Assistant Ushers: Clay & Eileen Simons

Acolytes: Reid Jackson & Andy Beam

Fellowship: Potluck

We all know what happens when people don't obey the rules of the road. In the wilderness the people of Israel learned the rules that would help them live together as free people. We call them the Ten Commandments.

UMC Charge Conference

with District Superintendent Martin McLee

Sunday, Oct. 9th at 12:30 p.m.

Fellowship of the Concerned:

Please keep Elaine Cavanaugh in your prayers as she recovers from a set back at the Epoch in Weston. She is in room 125 and would appreciate your cards and brief visits.

Special Offering for Neighbors in Need/World Communion Sunday

If you were not able to give last Sunday, it's not too late! We will repeat the annual combined offering for Neighbors in Need (UCC) and World Communion Sunday (UMC) this Sunday, Oct. 9. Neighbors in Need (NIN) supports ministries of justice and compassion throughout the US. One-third of NIN funds support the Council for American Indian Ministry. Two-thirds is used by UCC's Justice and Witness Ministries to support a variety of justice initiatives, advocacy efforts, and direct service projects. World Communion Sunday (WCS) provides scholarships to UMC students in the US or abroad whose studies have a mission emphasis. WCS also supports ethnic minority scholarships and in-service training. Special envelopes can be found in your offering envelope boxes or in the pews on Sunday.



Book Group –Oct. 14 at 10 a.m.

For Oct. 14th the book group will be reading “Change of Heart” By Jodi Picoult. Ten members were present at our first meeting and Donna McClure baked a wonderful challah for the occasion. All are welcome. Join us in the Norton Room. (Usually the 2nd Friday).

Monday Musings

Except for Friday it was another soggy weekend. I'm getting a bit tired of the damp and I noticed yesterday that the sanctuary door would hardly open it has swelled so. I'm ready for some "October's bright blue weather" and especially because we will soon be selling pumpkins.

Think Pumpkins! We had such fun in worship on Sunday when Mary Lou and David Walsh and the children reminded us that this is our fifth year of selling pumpkins. It was quite noisy.

We had a great Senior Event on Wednesday with Nancy Clark McGrath as our speaker. She really knows her stuff when it comes to exercise and food and she answered our questions so clearly and with such good humor. Carol Roush and Sona Ekizian provided us with a light lunch and we enjoyed being together and Nancy's presentation a lot. I hope others will join us on Oct. 19th when we will go to the Peabody-Essex Museum in Salem.

I'm going to have my very first yard sale mid month so I've been going through closets and storage areas. I've unpacked boxes that never got unpacked when we moved this last time. How do we accumulate so much stuff! Friday I put in the mail boxes to my daughter with treasures that she made in pre-school and elementary school. If she doesn't want them, she can throw them out. It's so hard to get rid of stuff that has memories clinging to it. Both of us tend toward the sentimental but we really can't keep all the stuff that we have. And yet I can't quite bring myself to throw out my son's treasured security blanket so I will move it one more time. (I did throw away the cat costume I made for my daughter when she was three though. It was pretty ratty looking!)

The Profile Committee and the Staff Parish Relations Committee have been working so hard these past weeks. While I cannot be involved in what is happening for ethical reasons, I can tell from just what I do know that they are to be commended for all their hard work. Thank you to all of you who have completed the survey. This will help them move forward with alacrity.

World Wide Communion Sunday is always special in my mind and it was great to have Linda Wood-Boyle sharing it with me. The children's choir wowed us with their first anthem of the season. I can't get over that there are 23 children in our choir.

Blessings,
Jean

Profile Plan

Take the Pulse

Probe for Insight

Draft & Refine

Finalize & Deliver



Sept. 11

Dec. 11

This week, we are wrapping up the “Take the Pulse” phase of our Profile Plan. The purpose of this phase is to gather information, and it includes two main activities: a congregational survey and input from Boards and Committees.

Thank you to everyone who has taken the UPA Profile Survey so far. We’ve had a strong response. With just a few more, we’ll meet our goal of 100 surveys. If you haven’t had a chance to take the survey, you still have time! **We have extended the deadline until Wednesday, October 5.**

1. The survey link is on the website, the UPA Facebook page and below:

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/s/P5KN67G>

2. Everyone should take it – including new members and participants as well as both halves of a couple (if applicable).
3. The hard deadline – for both online and mailed – is Wednesday, October 5.
4. **We’d like to hear from YOUNGER MEMBERS (30s), MEN and YOUTH.**

This week, Bill Hoch will also follow up Board and Committee Chairs for their collective input. We know it’s a busy time, and we greatly appreciate the Chairs for prioritizing this request.

After we finish gathering information, we will start the “Probe for Insight” phase of the plan. In the last week of October and the first week of November, the Profile Committee will conduct small group discussions to really understand our church’s hopes and dreams for the future. A list of hosts and dates/times will be available this Sunday. Please bring your calendar. You can sign up for a Pumpkin Patch shift and a “house party” at the same time!

THE PUMPKINS ARE ALMOST HERE!

*Our first Pumpkin Delivery is **8:00 a.m. Saturday, Oct. 8!**
Join us to help unload. Bring work gloves, wheelbarrows, and wagons!*

What else can you do?

Be a Day Captain! Day captains are responsible for making sure everything runs smoothly one day a week. We need 7, and we only have 3!

Sell! Each sales shift is 2 ½ to 3 hours.

Sign up at coffee hour or online. Look for the link to the sales schedule on the UPA website.



Calling all Pumpkin Patch Bakers!!

The pumpkins are coming this weekend!

We are in need of goodies to sell at the "grand opening"!

If you would like to drop them on or before Friday, please label them and kindly leave them in the downstairs kitchen.

To give you some ideas, in the past, we have had good luck selling cookies, bars, brownies, etc. in small \$1 bags.

(If you would like, we will be happy to "bag" them for you.)

Also, great sellers are pies, tea breads, cakes, etc. (and Toni's hot fudge)!

Thank you.

If you have any questions, please call Carole Smith at 617-965-1276 or e-mail to kjcasmith@yahoo.com.

Senior Ministries Presents:

- ***October 19th- A Trip to the Peabody Essex Museum in Salem MA***

We will gather at the UPA at 10 a.m. to visit this interesting museum. Admission for seniors is \$13.00 and we will eat lunch there or in a near by restaurant.

- ***November 16 -Lunch and a visit Waltham Watch Museum***

Bring a sandwich. Jean will make a pot of soup to warm us up. Then we will visit the new Waltham Watch Museum.

- ***December 14- Christmas Tea 2-4 pm***

Our annual gift to the UPA. Bring a plate of cookies to share and enjoy the fellowship.

- ***January 25-Lunch with Marian Knapp***

Marian has been writing columns for the Newton Tab on aging in Newton. She now has her own website and blog <http://voicesofaging.com/> She will speak to us about her thoughts on aging. Bring a sandwich and join us for lunch and conversation.

Wednesday, October 5th is the Next Monthly Meeting of the Open & Affirming and Reconciling Committee.

The meeting starts at 7 p.m. At 7:30 we will have Kurtland Massorsky from BATLY (Boston Alliance of Gay, Bisexual and Transgender Youth) speaking. Included in discussion will be ongoing goals and aspirations for the youth served in this organization. Kurtland will also be open to questions.

We welcome UPA members and friends to attend. It will provide an opportunity to learn more about one of the organizations we support through the outreach of our church.

Deborah Blaisdell Martin



Rained Out: 5th UPA Golf Outing
Rescheduled date is Saturday, Oct. 15th.

Hello all,

You have qualified for the fifth **UPA OPEN**

Costs: Please make checks out to Don Ross

Cost for adults under 60 years of age: \$28.00

Juniors 8-16 years and adults 60 years and older: \$25.00

(Cost includes 18 holes of golf)

When: October 1st

Arrive: 8:45am. Check in with Don Ross for tee times, first tee time starts at 9:30.

Where: Lost Brook Golf Club (directions below); We will be playing 18 holes. You will be called if the event is rained out and rain date will be determined.

From the church take 95 south (128 south) to exit 13-University Ave. At the first set of lights take a right and follow for approximately 1.5 miles. Take a left at Meditech Green, the club house is on your right.

Refreshments for all golfers: will be at the Ross house,
256 Auburndale Ave, Newton Ma 02482.

First Friday for Families

October 7th 6:30-8:30

Join us for a quiet evening of dinner and discussion. The topic will be stress. What are the things that stress family life? Jean will provide us with "Fifty Ways to Beat Stress" as a conversation starter.



Child care provided

Bring a salad or dessert to share
- Donation requested \$10-20

Rsvp on Facebook or to Jean Alexander by Wednesday, Oct 5th.
jalexander@upanewtonma.org

Coffee Hour Schedule Sept./October

Oct			
9	POT LUCK		
16	McClure	508	791-7676
16	Satwicz	617	467-4729
23	Pan	617	969-0129
23	Spicer	617	332-1749
30	Connor	336	793-7425
30	Membrino	617	244-2376

Reminder:
**The Office will be
Closed
on Monday for
Columbus Day.**

Worship in October

October 16:

Scriptures: Exodus 32: 1-14

Colossians 3:1-11

Preaching: Jean Alexander

Sermon: The Dangers of Delay

October 31:

Scriptures: Deuteronomy 8:1-18

2 Corinthians 9:6-15

Preaching: Jean Alexander

Sermon: Don't Lose the Map (you might need it again.)

October 23:

Preaching: Tom Sullivan

Chaplain at Lasell College



The Islamic Center of Boston

126 Boston Post Road, Wayland, MA 01981

invites you to our

ANNUAL OPEN HOUSE

Saturday, October 15, 2011

10:00AM – 3:00PM

126 Boston Post Road, Wayland

Lectures and Q&A Sessions

Documentaries and Educational Material

Islamic Architecture: Mosques in the U.S.

Tours and Refreshments

For more information contact: openhouse@icbwayland.org

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Sunday, Oct. 9, 2011

10:00 a.m. - Worship
11:00 a.m. - Fellowship Time
12:00 p.m. - SPRC
12:30 p.m. - UMC Charge Conference

Monday Oct. 10, 2011

Office Closed

Tuesday, Oct. 11, 2011

7:30 a.m. - Bible study
7:30 p.m. - Profile Committee
7:30 p.m. - Board of Ed

Thursday, Oct. 13, 2011

3:30 p.m. - Children's Choir
7:30 p.m. - Adult Choir

Friday, Oct. 14, 2011

10:00 a.m. - Book Group

Sunday, Oct. 16, 2011

10:00 a.m. - Worship
11:00 a.m. - Fellowship Time
11:30 a.m. - Adult Forum – Survey Results



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The **ELIOT CHURCH Food Cupboard** in Roxbury - Non-perishable items are collected each week in a shopping cart located in the narthex.

The United Parish of Auburndale is an Open and Affirming/Reconciling Ministries Congregation:
“Recognizing that the church historically has not always welcomed all persons, we affirm the God-given worth and dignity of every individual as our sister or brother, and we welcome all persons, including those who are gay, lesbian bisexual or transgendered to the full life and ministry of the United Parish of Auburndale. We celebrate all relationships founded on the principles of God’s love, compassion and faithfulness and embrace the responsibility to work against all forms of discrimination.