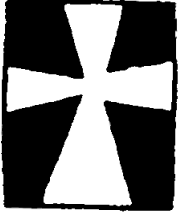


United Parish of Auburndale

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October 17, 2010

Twenty-first Sunday after Pentecost

Scriptures: Jeremiah 31:27-34

Hebrews 11:29-12:2

Preaching: The Rev. McLee

District Superintendent, Hope District

New England Conference United Methodist Church

Reader: Kristin McGovern

Head Ushers: Nancy McGrath

Assistant Usher: Kris Finn

Acolytes: Natasha Sharma and Austen Herlihy

Fellowship Time: Luying Pan and Mary Reppert

REVEREND MARTIN D. MCLEE, J.D.

Reverend McLee serves as a District Superintendent in the Metro Boston Hope District of the New England Conference of the United Methodist Church. He is the former Senior Pastor of the Union United Methodist Church in Boston's South End. Moreover, Reverend McLee serves on the Adjunct faculty at Simmons College in the Graduate School of Social Work.

Reverend McLee is frequent lecturer on issues concerning; HIV/AIDS and the faith community, race and racism, and on matters relating to class distinctions. Reverend McLee is an honors graduate of Hunter College. He has graduate degrees in education, theology and law from; Fordham University, Southern Methodist University and Texas Southern University respectively.

Fellowship of the Concerned:

To the UPA,

Thank you so much for opening your doors to our choir – we felt so incredibly welcome and had a wonderful time. (We even concluded our evening with the carving of a pumpkin purchased from your pumpkin sale!) Hopefully you enjoyed our singing at the service – consider it a token of our appreciation!

All the best,

The Harvard Chamber Singers.

Our prayers are with **Barbara Edmunds** whose husband, **David Jackson** is in hospice care at MGH.

A Thank You...

Volunteers at the Food Pantry run by Eliot Congregational Church in Roxbury were most appreciative of the UPA food donations delivered last Thursday. An increasing number of families hit by unemployment are relying on the pantry to help makes ends meet. Roughly 450 people in the neighborhood surrounding Eliot Church were served by the pantry last month. Thanks so much to all who brought in dried or canned goods, and baby supplies. UPA will continue to collect food for the pantry in the Narthex shopping cart, so please drop off contributions anytime!

Kris Finn

STEWARDSHIP 2010 AND 2011

The Stewardship campaign for the 2011 operating year will kick off over the next several weeks. Please send in your pledge commitments for 2010 over the next two months so we have an accurate accounting of where we stand at year end. At the end of August, we were only at a 50% level of pledge commitment receipts.

THANKS EVERYONE!

Board of Stewardship

Monday Musings -

What a fine weekend it has been. The weather has been perfect. Today Bruce and I did all those things that need to be done to get ready for winter. We took the last air conditioner out of the window and the deck furniture to the shed. Bruce mowed the lawn (I'm sure he is hoping for the last time.) and put in the storm window for the front door. I made a pot of soup, two pies, (one for us and one for the Pumpkin Patch) and three small loaves of pumpkin bread for the same Pumpkin patch. In addition we took an hour walk. I have that good tired feeling you get after all that physical work.

I'm sure I wasn't the only one to feel the same tired feeling on Saturday after unloading all those pumpkins. It was a great turn out of people to help with the unloading. Way to go UPA! At one point we had two lines going outside the truck and 8-10 of us inside the truck passing those pumpkins down the line. We weren't even unloaded and people were coming by wanting to buy pumpkins. Now we just need more people to sign up for a selling shift. There were too many empty spaces on the chart when I looked on Sunday.

We had lovely music from the Harvard Chamber singers yesterday thanks, I suspect, to Jessica Rucinski who sings with them. They had an overnight retreat at the church Saturday night and then sang for us in worship. It was lovely. Jessica decided that she also would play the hymns and the service music, so Allen LeVines got to be a worshipper. He said later that he couldn't remember the last time he was in a worship service where he wasn't assisting with the worship!

There seems to be a theme of music this fall. On Monday morning's I get to hear the "Tremble Clefs" singing away. The "Mood Swings" are making a joyful noise two Wednesdays a month, and then we had this lovely music yesterday. I like it.

This coming Sunday we will have the pleasure of hearing our Methodist District Superintendent, Martin McLee, preach. I've heard through the grapevine that he is a fine preacher so I'm looking forward to hearing him. After church at 12:30 will be the annual Charge Conference for the Centenary United Methodist Church. Last year's was not well attended so I hope we do better this year. We do have business that must be transacted and it is an opportunity to hear what the New England Conference is doing in mission and to ask questions about some of the areas that we are concerned about. It will not last long so please, if you are on the UMC rolls, plan to attend.

Blessings,
Jean

Grab your wheelbarrows and gloves. MORE pumpkins are due Saturday, Oct 16!

Thanks to everyone who helped last weekend. We are getting our 2nd (and last) delivery this Saturday at 8:00 a.m. Please join us again and help us unload.

The patch will be open from Oct 10 – 31.

Hours are: 10-6, M-F, 9-5 on Saturday & 11-6 on Sunday

We'll need your help with selling and baking.

- Sales: no previous experience is necessary. Please sign up at coffee hour.
- Bakers: pre-heat your ovens! Help ensure our bake sale is well stocked with goodies.
- Drop off baked goods at the patch anytime.

Questions? See Dana Dornbusch
Mary Lou Walsh, or David Walsh



Dinners for Families ARE BACK

UPA families with children are invited to dinner with Mike Nilon and Jean Alexander. There is no agenda except for food and conversation. It's a chance to get to know one another better and exchange the joys and frustrations of parenthood. The main dish is provided. Each family brings a simple salad or dessert. Sign-up is essential since food and child care is being provided.

- **Friday-October 22nd 6-8:30 pm** is for families with preschool children or children in elementary school. There will be child care and pizza for the children downstairs and the adults will dine upstairs.
- **Friday-November 12th 7-9** is for families with Middle School and Sr. High Youth.

You can sign up on Sunday's in the parish hall or by calling or e-mailing the church office. Office@upanewtonma.org

Youth Schedule Fall 2010

Date	Location	Activity
10/17/2010	UPA Youth Room	Spiritual Literature—remaking our myths, modern versions of cosmogonies
10/31/2010	UPA Youth Room	Talk about Halloween—how did this holiday survive in Christian cultures?
11/7/2010	Arnold Arboretum	Experiencing the natural world, the wonders of creation, and trees in scriptural traditions.
11/21/2010	UPA Youth Room	Discussion about Thanksgiving—giving thanks as a spiritual discipline
12/5/2010	UPA Youth Room	Practice of meditation, prayer, interior spiritual exploration
12/19/2010	UPA Youth Room	Christmas—the nativity scenes of the Bible, differences and similarities

The Garden Club

We are planning to meet the first Tuesday of Nov. at 9:30 a.m.

~ Patricia Bottomley



Inquirers Meeting, October 24th 11:30 a.m.

Have you been attending the UPA for several weeks or months and would like to know more about us?

Or you think you might like to become a member, but don't know how to do that.

The Membership Cultivation Board will

host a gathering on October 24th that can answer your questions.

The session lasts approximately one hour and child care will be provided if needed.

If you would like to attend or have further questions please e-mail Natascha George

at natascha.george@gmail.com

or Jean Alexander jalexander@upanewtonma.org

HONORING UPA MEMBERS WHO HAVE SERVED OR ARE NOW SERVING

The United Parish of Auburndale wishes to honor those in our congregation who have served, or who are presently serving in our nation's military, diplomatic, or peace corps on this year's Veterans' Day, November 7, 2010.

We would like to update our list from the one we prepared in November 2008, so any additions to that list, or new listings, will be appreciated. If your 2008 information is still valid, no need to update.

Please include the name, military rank or rating, branch of service, dates of service, geographic area of service and any other brief information you think is of general interest.

We want to honor all who have served, or who are now serving, so if you are aware of members, family or friends in the congregation who are currently away from us, please encourage them to get information to us. Please send (or e-mail) information to:

Jim Miller
67 Bourne Street, Auburndale MA 02466
(617) 527-7044 or e-mail tjkjkm14@yahoo.com

Thanks to all!

Senior Lunch-Wednesday October 27th- Noon

The Senior Ministries group is at a crossroads. Because of a loss of leadership, this past year's activities were primarily put together by myself with the help of Carol Roush and Carol Smith.

It has been increasingly difficult to find activities in which all members of the group can participate. I would like feedback from the group about whether or not to continue with a monthly luncheon for fellowship purposes or whether to disband efforts in this area. It is also the case that we have retired members who might like a different kind of group. However you identify yourself, please come on October 27th.

Bring a sandwich to share. I will make my famous pumpkin soup. We will create once again the miracle of the loaves and fishes and discuss where we would like to go from here.

Jean Alexander

Attention UPA Parents and Children:

Recently, the BURR Cooperative Preschool playground was left in a terrible state, just a day after the parents from the coop had spent time and energy cleaning it up. There is now a lock on the gate, though we have a key in the church office. While there are other neighbors that borrow this playground space, we have a particular responsibility to put away toys, re-cover the sandbox and treat the space with care. This message was told to the church school children in class with a reminder of the appropriate and respectful behavior required in order for us to use the playground. If you have any questions regarding this matter, please contact: **Katie Jackson**.

Harvard University Choir Presents:

Frostiana by Randall Thompson
Melodious Accord by Alice Parker

Sunday, October 17 at 4 pm.

The Memorial Church, Harvard University

Free Admission.

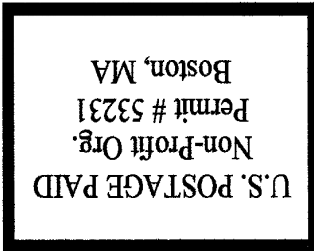


The Book Club ~ Oct. 15, 10 am, will be reading “The Big Stone Gap” by Adriana Trigiani. In October we will meet as usual at 10:00 a.m. in the Norton Room – usually the 2nd Friday in the month. For October the date is the 3rd Friday. Please join us for a lively get-together!

Lost & Found

Please check the Lost & Found Box in main Hall for your missing items of clothing and various belongings!

Also, the office has a lost watch and key on a lanyard.



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This Coming Week at UPA:

Sunday, Oct. 17, 2010

10:00 a.m. - Worship- Martin McLee , UMC D.S.
11:00 a.m. - Fellowship Time
11:30 a.m. - Youth Group Meeting
12:00 p.m. - SPRC meet with D.S.
12:30 p.m. - Charge Conference

Tuesday, Oct. 19, 2010

7:30 a.m. - Bible Study
7:00 p.m. - Bristol Lodge

Wednesday, Oct. 20, 2010

7:30 p.m.. - Parish Council

Thursday, Oct. 21, 2010

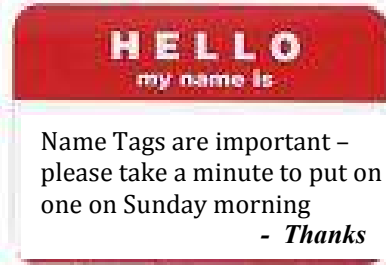
3:15 p.m. - Children's Choir Rehearsal
7:30 p.m. - Adult Choir

Friday, Oct. 22, 2010

6:00 p.m. - Family Dinners

Sunday, Oct. 24, 2010

10:00 a.m. - Worship
2:30 p.m. - MBA Fall Meeting in Milton



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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. Please contribute.

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.