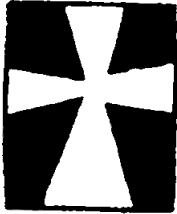


United Parish of Auburndale

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May 16, 2010 – Seventh Sunday in Easter – Children’s Service

Preaching: Michael Beam

Sermon: Reflections...

Scriptures: Psalm 103:1-14; Mark 10:13-16

Readers: Andrew Mackowski, Leonora McVittie

Ushers: Kathy Read and John Houston

Assistant Ushers: Bill Hoch

Acolytes: Gracie Jackson, Natasha Sharma

Church School Roamer: **No Sunday School**

Coffee Hour Hosts: Christine and Sean Gallivan

United Parish is glad to welcome Michael Beam to give a sermon this Sunday. We look forward to hearing Mike’s reflections on growing up in this community and about his prospects for the future.

-Please Have Children Arrive at 9:45 this Sunday-
For this special service, children are invited to sit with their Sunday School classes in the front pews of the church.

These Children will be Receiving Bibles at this Sunday’s Worship Service:

Willis Clark Herlihy
Ian M Roth
Reid Jackson
Steven Joseph Kann

Natasha Marie Sharma
Nicholas William Hoch
Annie Lubin
Juliet Lacey

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Sandra Ross has continued to make progress in her recovery. Please keep her in your prayers.

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UPA Moms/Gals After Dark

Sunday May 16 – 6:30PM

In the UPA Youth Room (downstairs, to the left of the kitchen)

Give yourself the night off and come relax with good company! Bring just yourself, or an appetizer or dessert to share if you have the time and motivation. Feel free to invite a friend if you'd like. No need to RSVP, but you may contact Julie Redmond with any questions (617.964.4164 or bmrjmr@yahoo.com). Looking forward to seeing you for some lively conversation and a good dose of laughter!

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

– Galactic Blast!

JULY 12-16

9 AM-3 PM

All UPA children going into Kindergarten through Fifth grade are invited to participate.

This year we can expand the number of children, so feel free to invite a neighbor or a friend.

A Sign up sheet will be available starting May 1st in the Parish Hall or you may call the church office.

Youth Group: Children's Sunday - Children's Sunday will be on May 16th. Michael Beam will be giving the "sermon" as the graduating senior. The Youth Group will be talking about their experiences on the Retreat for the Children's Sermon. I need people as readers and ushers, and prayers. **Please be prepared to come to church by 9:00am** that Sunday so I can hand you your reading or prayer and we can run through everything once. Thank you.

Youth Group - Meeting this Sunday, from 11:30 to 1:00.

Heifer Project: There are pictures of the Youth Group's recent trip to Over Look Farm on the UPA facebook page and the UPA Youth Ministry page.

Be thinking about what you would like to do for an end-of-the-year event...

Monday Musing

This was a busy week here at the UPA with Mother's Day and the Children's Choir production of "Table for Five Thousand." It was really nice seeing so many moms here yesterday. It was especially nice to see both my mother and mother-in-law in attendance. Congratulations to the children's choir for giving a really amazing performance. Kudos to Joy Douglass, Elizabeth McVittie, and Carie Michael for doing a really amazing job of keeping everyone focused and working so hard with the kids. The hard work really showed. Bravo! 'Thank you' to Melanie Rucinski and the other musicians for sharing their talents with the kids and the UPA community. Also, 'thank you' to Allison Sharma for sharing her talents for technology in getting the slide show together.

Michael Tolley, Elizabeth McVittie and Sonia Parker presented Amanda Harmeling with a nice parting gift for her last Sunday as the UPA's Field Ed student. She's been through so much over the past two weeks. It was so nice to see her so well-loved here with her adopted church family. Her work throughout the year was been so wonderful. I have been so blessed with and by her ministry. I will miss her and wish her God's blessings on her continued ministerial journey.

Pulling into the church parking lot this past week I noticed that the new infinity cross over the front entrance to the Sanctuary was being installed. I stood there for a moment and lamented the passing of that old rugged cross. She has seen so much and been weathered much by the elements. At once though, I wondered in awe what the new cross will see over the next 150 years as it stands witness to the changing life and times of the UPA, and this beautiful congregation of believers, seekers, wanderers, and wonderers. Long may she stand!

This week see's the UPA celebrating the annual Children's Worship service. It promises to be filled with lots of energy and excitement. Also, Pastor Jean and Bruce arrive back home from Turkey. Jean's planning on being in church on Sunday. I'm looking forward to hearing about her adventures and seeing her back in the office. I have learned a lot about the tiny details of a solo pastorate over the past three weeks. I am blessed to have her as a mentor.

As I completed my classes last week, I was able to take a glance back at the last four year of seminary. It has happened much faster than I ever imagined when I started. You have been with me on this quest for the past two years and I want to take a moment to acknowledge you. I am eternally grateful and humbled by the wisdom I receive from you all, in and out of church. Where one journey is done, another has begun. Thank you for everything you have done for me and my family these past two years. You have been a blessing.

Peace Be With You - Kurt

The UPA Book Group

will meet again on **Friday, May 14**
from **10:00 a.m. – noon** in the
conference room at the church.

Our book for discussion this month is
Outliers by Malcolm Gladwell

Everyone is welcome and encouraged to
join us.



Presenting

A Spring Festival of
SCANDINAVIAN FOLK SONGS

Stämbandet

The Scandinavian Vocal Ensemble
Allen Levines, Artistic Director

Saturday, May 15th at 7:30 p.m.

United Parish of Auburndale

Tickets: Adults \$15.00

www.stambandet.org

(617)202-9973

Think Altar Flowers:

We have openings for altar flowers on the
calendar for plenty of dates in May and June
{and as always through the summer}

Consider Donating Flowers for All
Occasions!

Thanks, Patricia Bottomley
Chair, Altar Flowers Committee
(617)527-7470

2010 Boston Pride Parade Save the Date:



Saturday, June 12.

Hope to see you there. Guaranteed,
you'll have a great time!

For the next few weeks the Open &
Affirming Committee
will have a table during the coffee hour
where you can

SIGN-UP to join us and ask questions
about the parade.

For instance:

Frequently Asked Questions:

1. How long is the parade route? Does everyone walk the whole route?
2. How long does it take to participate?
3. I have a child who is *x* years old. Should I have concerns about what she/he will see or hear?
4. Where does the UPA group assemble before the parade?
5. Do I wear anything special?
6. How do people along the parade route identify us as the UPA group?

**We can answer these questions
– stop by and see us and,
of course, come to the parade
and march with us !!!**

REMINDER: Coffee Hour May and June

May -

- 16 – Christine and Sean Gallivan
- 23 – Bruce and Elizabeth McVittie; Melinda Broderick
- 30 – **POT LUCK** – Reppert Set-up/cleanup

June –

- 6 – O'Connell Family; Paris Family

UPA Families Feeding Families, spring 2010

*Donations collected during worship and Sunday School on 5-16-10 and 5-23-10
or drop off at UPA anytime before 5-23-10*

The UPA Board of Outreach and the Sunday School program of the UPA Board of Christian Education have committed to collecting desperately needed donations twice a year, spring and fall, for the Grow Clinic at Boston Medical Center.

The Grow Clinic for Children is a unique and successful program for the treatment of Failure To Thrive (FTT) in young children. Although outreach services are part of the reason why the Clinic is so successful, these services are outside the traditional medical model and not supported by insurance or any government programs. The clinic relies exclusively on private donations to run these essential outreach services.

When you are shopping for groceries or clothing, or sorting through gently used children's clothing in your home, please keep the Grow Clinic in mind and bring your donations to the UPA during the dates listed above. Children may bring donations forward during the Children's Sermon on 5/16 and 5/23.

Priority items needed at the Grow Clinic

(as listed at <http://www.bmc.org/pediatrics-growclinic/donate/inkinddonations.htm>):

Supplements and vitamins: Bright Beginnings Pediatric Soy supplement (\$35.00/case), Duocal (\$78.00/case), Enfamil Next Step Soy Formula, Poly Vi Sol with Iron liquid vitamins, Flintstones Complete chewable vitamins or equivalent.

Supplies: Unisex diapers for ages 6 months to 3 years (sizes 3 and 4 in demand); new sippy cups; baby food (Stage 1 + 2); new plastic spoons for babies; new children's board books, picture books and I Can Read books.

Food: *The food pantry is always in need of donations, especially during the summer months when older siblings are at home and not being fed by school breakfast and lunch programs. The Grow Clinic Food Pantry needs high calorie, protein rich foods that appeal to a child's likes. In order of preference, here is a list of items most needed in the food pantry:*

Carnation Instant Breakfast (powder); graham crackers; rice; tuna fish in oil; thick canned stews; canned ravioli and spaghetti; canned corn; vegetable oil; canned meats (corn beef etc.); boxed mac and cheese; canned beans (not green beans); raisins and other dried fruit; mayonnaise and salad dressing ; canned fruits and heavy syrup (not lite); cold cereals (Kix, Cheerios, Rice Krispies, Rice and Corn Chex, Total); hot cereals (oatmeal, grits, Cream of Wheat); canned chili; chocolate syrup or Nestle Quik; peanut butter; canned gravy; instant mashed potatoes; canned vegetables; evaporated milk (not nonfat powdered milk); spaghetti sauce; pasta; canned or instant pudding (no gelatin).

Clothing: Clothing and shoes/boots appropriate for the season at the time of donation is welcome. Grow Center children are 3-8 years old.

- *Thank you! The UPA Boards of Outreach and Christian Education (Questions? Call Julie Redmond 617.964.4164)*

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This Coming Week at UPA

Thursday, May 13, 2010

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

Friday, May 14, 2010

10:00 a.m. - Book Club

Saturday, May 15, 2010

7:30 p.m. - The Scandinavian Vocal
Ensemble Presents –
"Stämbandet"

Sunday, May 16, 2010

10:00 a.m. - Children's Worship
10:20 a.m. - **No Church School**
11:00 a.m. - Coffee/Fellowship
11:30 a.m. - Youth Group



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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.