Unitarian Universalist Society of Martha's Vineyard



January 19, 2024

"People of the Impossible"

with Rev. Rob Hardies

(Zoom Visit to the First Parish Cambridge Unitarian Universalist Church)

We are living in a moment when it seems that our hopes and dreams for a better world are diminishing. As we celebrate the life and legacy of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. we consider the ways in which our sense of what's "possible" can limit our social, religious and political imagination. If we are to build the Beloved Community that Dr. King dreamed of, we must become "People of the Impossible."

Join us in the Chapel at 10 am before we Zoom into Rev. Rob's service from First Parish Cambridge Unitarian Universalist Church. His service begins at 10:30 am, and we will have time beforehand to socialize and enjoy some hospitality. Peter Halperin will provide background music, and there will be a time for reflection after the service. Rev. Rob's service will be streamed on our screen for everyone to watch together.

Zoom participants can join the UUSMV Zoom prior to the service to connect and chat. At 10:30 am, open Zoom, select "join" and type in Meeting ID: 155 025 783 to join Rev. Rob Hardies at First Parish Cambridge Unitarian Universalist Church. After the service, you can return to the UUSMV Zoom to reflect with other UUSMV participants.

Links: <u>UUSMV Zoom</u> and <u>First Parish Cambridge Unitarian Universalist</u> <u>Church Zoom (Meeting ID</u>

Thank you to our volunteers Stephanie Michalczyk, Jack Street and Jenifer Parkinson for our service support, Mimi Davisson providing refreshments and Stephanie Michalczyk for visual arts/flowers.



Love Notes on February 9th

This service will be an assortment of poems and music about love. Do you have a favorite love poem? Please let Mary Jane Aldrich-Moodie (maryjaneam@gmail.com or 508-693-9438) know if you have a favorite poem that you would like to share at this service. Reply by the end of January.





The **Share the Plate** committee is going to have a collection on **Sunday**, **January 26th** to help the people of California dealing with the wildfires. We will be giving the funds to the World Central Kitchen. "WCK is first on the front lines, providing meals in response to humanitarian, climate and community crisis. " They are a global organization.

Pastoral Coverage and Care

Rev. Vicki Hanjian will provide pastoral care. She can be reached at 508-696-8225 or av.hanjian@verizon.net

Need Someone to Listen?

In addition to pastoral care being available from Rev. Vicky, your Lay Ministers (Bill Bridwell, Jan Casey, Kevin Longval) are available to lend support to anyone in our USMV community in their time of need by being available to listen and offer comfort.

You can reach them individually by calling: Jan Casey (508-942-3643), Bill Bridwell (774-563-8542), Kevin Longval (781-249-4712) or reach out to uu.society.mv@gmail.com

Upcoming Events

Monday, January 20, 10-11:30 am: Project Connect Monday Group (Stevens Chapel)

Monday, January 20, 2 pm: Membership/Hospitality Committee (Zoom)

Tuesday, January 21 2-3:30 pm: Project Connect Tuesday Group (Stevens Chapel)

Friday, January 24, 10 am: Let's Have A Visit (Zoom)

Saturday, January 25, 3:30 pm: Spiritual Book Club (Zoom)

Sunday, January 26, after the service: Annual Meeting

Tuesday, February 4, 4:30 pm: Worship Committee Meeting (Zoom)

Wednesday, February 5, 5 - 6 pm: Social Justice Planning (Zoom)

Friday, February 7, 2 pm: Sewcial Action Knitwork

Monday, February 10, 3-5 pm: Parish Committee (Zoom)