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Tuesday, January 12th 2021



UPCOMING Worship: Sunday, Jan 17th

Working for racial justice can sound like heavy and hard work. And, it is. But, this morning we will reflect how that work also is not only necessary, but life-giving. Led by Rev. Mary Margaret Earl, Executive Director and Senior Minister of UU Urban Ministry. Special collection for www.UUUM.org.

Livestream: [YouTube.com/C/FPLexington](https://www.youtube.com/C/FPLexington)

Music: We celebrate Martin Luther King Jr.'s inspiring messages of hope and racial justice through spirituals, freedom songs, and other genres of music. The children's choir, with soloist **Rosie MacClary**, will sing David Waggoner's hopeful anthem "Child of Peace." **Rip Jackson** will sing U2's serene song "MLK." For the centering music, he will play a piano arrangement of Charles Albert Tindley's iconic civil rights era song "We Shall Overcome." And for the postlude, he will play Scott Joplin's joyful piano composition "The Maple Leaf Rag."



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Soul Matters

SHARING CIRCLE

Jan Theme: Imagination

*"I believe in the power of the **imagination** to remake the world, to release the truth within us, to hold back the night, to transcend death, to charm motorways, to ingratiate ourselves with birds, to enlist the confidences of madmen."*

— J.G. Ballard



COVID Q&A

Q&A with Elizabeth Chen, Secretary of the Massachusetts Executive

Tue, Jan 19th 2pm-3pm
Via [ZOOM](#)



Family Chapel This Week

When is being polite a bad idea? Hear about a mistake Lisa Maria made by being polite when she should have spoken bravely.

Yours in Faith and Fellowship,
Lisa Maria Andreoli Steinberg, MATS
Director of Religious Education and Family Ministry

Watch Family Chapel videos on [YouTube](#) or listen on [Soundcloud!](#)



Climate ACTION Team

Action Alert!

Ask the Governor to **Sign the Climate Bill Today!**

Excerpt, Mass Power Forward Press Release. See full [Bill Summary Here](#).

"On Monday, January 4th, both chambers finally released a final compromise version of the climate Roadmap Bill: S.2995. The coalition celebrated the inclusion of environmental justice in particular, the creation of a net zero stretch building code, and giving municipalities greater control over the quality and efficiency of new construction projects. The bill builds upon the 2008's Global Warming Solutions Act by creating interim carbon emissions targets for 2030, 2035, 2040 and 2045 as well as 'sub limits' for major sectors (e.g. electric power, transportation, heating

Pilgrim Congregational Church, UCC of Lexington is glad to host Dr. Elizabeth Chen for a Q&A on the state of the **COVID19 in Massachusetts**, its impact on older people and public health. The program will be hosted by Pilgrim Church and is open to all members of the local community.

Elizabeth Chen, PhD, MBA, MPH began her tenure as Secretary of the Massachusetts Executive Office of Elder Affairs (EOEA) on June 3, 2019. Dr. Chen previously served as an Assistant Commissioner of the Massachusetts Department of Public Health (DPH). At DPH, she oversaw the licensing of over 300,000 health care professionals and over 4,500 hospitals, clinics, nursing homes, ambulances and other mobile care units. She is also a member of Pilgrim Church.

For more info email [Rev. Reebee Kavich Girash](#).



Meeting: Thu, Jan 14th

Join us for our monthly meeting. Discussion will include our 8th Principle after-church forums, MLK Day Lexington, UU Urban Ministry programs, How to be an Antiracist book read, and more.

7:00 - 8:30 PM
[ZOOM](#)

Meeting ID: **952 3700 6379**
Dial in **(646) 876-9923**

Questions? Email:
[JoAnn Mulready-Shick](#)

and cooling). While this bill represents a significant step forward, work remains to address emissions in Massachusetts."

Now, we need Governor Baker to sign this bill into law, as is **(by Friday!)**. Please call and email his office **TODAY** and let him know that there is no more time to lose! [CLICK HERE](#) to send an email. (add your name and address at the end of the email) [CLICK Here](#) for phone script.



Wild Precious Life

How does one heighten awareness of life's dimensions as we grow into our elder years? Do **Mary Oliver's** words resonate with you?

A ZOOM gathering of "Wild Precious Life" will be offered during the winter by **Cindy Anderson** and **Dori Reuss** each Wednesday from 10:30-11:30, for six weeks between **January 20th through February 24th**.

The group will be limited to **ten members** who form a participatory circle within a covenant of confidentiality. Topics will include Seeking Balance, Letting Go, What Lies Beyond Death?, and others generated by the group.

Please email Pratik Mamtara to register at Admin@FPLex.org.

I HAVE A DREAM
HAPPY MLK DAY

Lexington Martin Luther King Day Of Service
JANUARY 18, 2021

Community Conversation on Race:
Racial Injustice in Healthcare & Health Outcomes
10:00 am - 12:00 pm

Featured Speakers: Dr. Allison Bryant and Dr. Jocelyn Carter
Please join the MLK Community Day Conversation with medical experts from Mass General Hospital's (MGH) Disparities Unit to discuss and identify racial disparities in health care delivery, which negatively affect health outcomes for Black Americans and other racial minority groups throughout history to the present day. **What can our community do to change outcomes?** We need your perspective and energy as we brainstorm about solutions during the breakout session.

Special Guest Speaker: Congresswoman Katherine Clark,
representing the 5th District of Massachusetts

"Of all the forms of inequality, injustice in health is the most shocking and the most inhuman because it often results in physical death."
Martin Luther King

The Dialogue on Race is sponsored by the Town of Lexington Human Rights Committee.
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