



Summer Steeple Gazette



FIRST PARISH IN LEXINGTON

Weekly Update - Wednesday Jun 9th 2021



Outdoor Worship Service on Sunday, June 20th

A friendly reminder to remind your Siri, Cortana, Alexa, Google Assistant... to remind you to bring your **camping / lawn chairs, picnic blankets** AND **flowers** for our Flower Communion! The weather forecast for Sunday, June 20th says **86°**. Kindly grab your reusable **water bottles** too! We are looking forward to welcoming you at this **first in-person & ZOOM** worship service.



Upcoming Worship Service

Comedian John Cleese knows a thing or two about playfulness. Talking about writing comedy, he said: ‘The problem with lessons is you get the idea that there is a way of doing it – but it’s what you do with it that matters.’ What do **you** want to do with your UU values? How do **you** want to playfully engage in community?

LIVE Streaming [Facebook](#) OR [YouTube](#)

Music: Julia Jaffe, Rev. Anne Mason, David Meharry, Liz Savir, Elizabeth Walsh and Jamie Willis will sing live from the sanctuary at First Parish in Lexington. They will sing Mark A. Miller’s spirited arrangement of the African American Spiritual “I’m Gonna Sing!” and Debra Scroggins’s passionate choral anthem “Hope.” **Rip Jackson**, Elizabeth Walsh and Jamie Willis will sing the heart-felt trio “We Shall Be Known.” For the centering music, Rip Jackson will play Claude Debussy’ ethereal piano piece “Rêverie.” And for the postlude, he will play Johann Sebastian Bach’s triumphant “Fuga in c minor, BWV 549.”



Summer Office Hours

Pratik Mamtora will be attending AUUA Professional Training & the General Assembly.

CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED
Mon, Jun 21st to Fri, Jun 25th

REDUCED OFFICE HOURS
Begins week of Mon, Jun 28th

Tue = 9:00 AM to 3:00 PM
Wed = 9:00 AM to 3:00 PM
Thu = 9:00 AM to 1:00 PM

Kindly take care of your requests in advance by emailing at Admin@FPLex.org.



Hi all,

Happy Pride month!
Enjoy this Pride-filled issue of LexPride's [weekly newsletter!](#)

Warmly,
Valerie Overton
(she/her/hers)
LexPride Co-Chair

from the BOARD room

Sun. Jun 13th 11:30-1:00 PM

SEMI-ANNUAL MEETING



Journey to the 8th Principle - First Parish Timeline



Preparing to Vote on the 8th Principle, June 13: The Call of our Faith

“What in Unitarian Universalism’s central theology requires us to work toward building a multicultural, antiracist Beloved Community?” All are encouraged to read the UU World article, [The Call of our Faith](#) as told by two prominent UUs, **Karen Lin** and **Rev. Nancy Palmer Jones**, who explore UU history, and our journey filled with hope and aspiration, writing that the 8th Principle proposal “embodies a theological calling for a spiritual wholeness which requires creating diverse and multicultural communities and actions for dismantling oppressions with accountability.”



Outdoor Tai Chi @ 3 Harrington

New Legacy Cultural Center and **First Parish in Lexington** will co-sponsor a series of outdoor Tai Chi classes every Sunday morning from **June 13 until August 29, 2021** (except July 4) on First Parish's side lot adjacent to the Battle Green. There is no charge, but donations will be appreciated.

Mr. Tai-Chun Pan, a Master Instructor of the traditional Yang style of Tai Chi Chuan, will offer two classes each Sunday morning.

The first class, "A Taste of Tai Chi," from 8:30 AM to 9:15 AM will include warm-up, stretching, balance, Qi Gong exercises, and a bit of theory. "A Taste of Tai Chi" is open to all levels, and drop-ins are welcome.

In the second class, "Beginner Tai Chi" from 9:15 to 10:00 AM, students will learn a structured sequence of Tai Chi movements. Each week of "Beginner Tai Chi" will build upon the previous week's lessons, and registration is requested. [Register HERE](#).

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