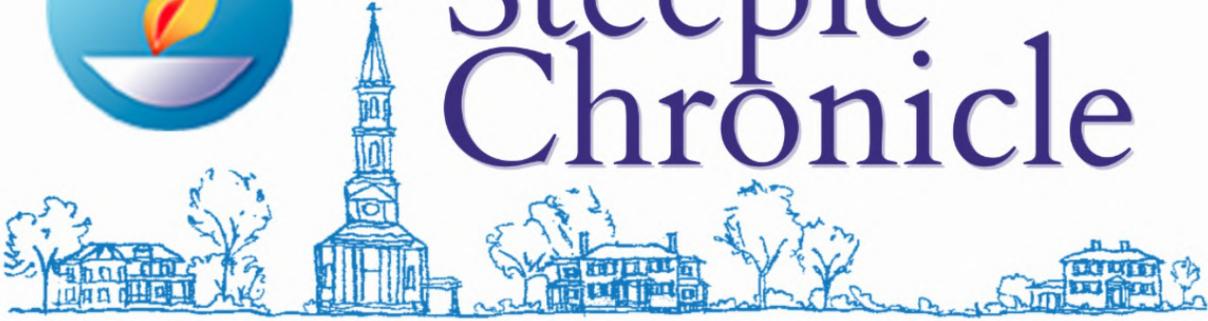




the Steeple Chronicle



FIRST PARISH IN LEXINGTON

Wednesday Weekly — Nov 10th 2021

AAPI HISTORY INCLUSION benefit concert

251 WALTHAM ST, LEXINGTON, MA 02421

7:30PM -9PM

11/11/21



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"AAPI concert"
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NECAA



Boston International Media Consulting

High school students from Lexington and the Greater Boston area have organized a benefit concert to raise funds for the inclusion of Asian American history in our textbooks.

The concert will be held Thu, Nov 11th @ 7:30 PM at Lexington High School. All are welcome.

Please see [attached flyer](#) for details, including where you can donate to this cause.



UPCOMING Sunday Worship

The image of the Sankofa challenges us to look backwards in order to move forward. One of the great Unitarian Universalist theologians, James Luther Adams, challenges our faith tradition to be prophetic. What would it look like for us to have the intention of making history, instead of being pushed around by it?

In-person [Sign Up](#)
LIVE Streaming [Facebook](#) OR [YouTube](#)

MUSIC: This Sunday, the sanctuary choir will sing **Hans Leo Hassler's** joyful renaissance a cappella piece "Cantate Domino" and **Alice Parker's** beautiful arrangement of "Be Thou My Vision," with soloist **David Meharry**. Guest pianist **Deborah Yardley Beers** will play two beautiful piano pieces for the offertory and postlude: **Johannes Brahms's** passionate "Intermezzo in A minor, op. 118 no. 1" and **Fanny Mendelssohn Hensel's** "Juli" (from *Das Jahr*). For the centering music Deborah will be joined by **Rip Jackson** in playing **Jane Savage's** lyrical keyboard duet "Larghetto" (from *A Favorite Duet for two Performers, on One Piano Forte or Harpsichord*).



SHYG SoUUp SALE Continues

The Senior High Youth Group will be continue **traditional soup Sundays!** There will be a vegetarian and meat option to choose from. Large containers will be priced at **\$10** and small containers will be priced at **\$5!** We will be set up outside the back entrance of the church after service! We accept **cash only** so please come prepared. We are so happy to reintroduce this tradition



Nov Theme: Holding History

"The task of prophetic ministry is to nurture, nourish, and evoke a consciousness and perception alternative to the consciousness and perception of the dominant culture around us.

— **Walter Brueggemann,**

American Protestant Old Testament scholar & theologian



Sunday Offering

*This Sunday we will Share the Plate with **UU Mass Action**. Since 2006 UU Mass Action has been organizing and mobilizing the 20,000 Unitarian Universalists and 142 congregations in Massachusetts to confront oppression. Pathways to justice are selected by identifying the priorities in which congregations are engaged, engaging in coalition partners' shared priorities, assessing legislative momentum, and identifying who are the most vulnerable people in*

that we had for a over a year due to COVID-19. All of the proceeds will go towards funding various Youth Group activities and our service trip next year!



Climate ACTION Team

Call for Freedom from Fossil Fuel



Beginning on Nov 11th on the 11th day of each month, we will be ringing our church bell 11 times at 11.11 AM. Gather with CAT at the front of the church on the historic Lexington Green, where another revolution began in April 1775.

Together we hold the vision of democracy, freedom from fossil fuel, and the horror of the genocide committed upon the Indigenous people who lived here in harmony upon this land. If we are to avoid the worst effects of climate change we must hold these values now.

UNITARIAN UNIVERSALIST URBAN MINISTRY
presents

COMMUNITY CONVERSATIONS

Byron Rushing

Black Flight: The recent census shows that Black Bostonians are steadily leaving the city. Why, and what are the implications?



Tuesday, November 16th, 6:00pm - 7:30pm

Join us for this virtual event at www.uuum.org

Historian Byron Rushing, who served in the Massachusetts House of Representatives for over-thirty-years, was also the president of the Museum of African-American History in Boston.

Through his life he has been a champion for justice, and will speak about the different factors driving people of color from the city, and what that will mean in both the short- and long-term.

Event sponsored by:



UU Urban Ministry | 10 Putnam Street | Roxbury, MA 02119 | www.uuum.org

Why People of Color are leaving Boston?

Join us via [ZOOM](#) on Tue, Nov 16th @ 6:00-7:00 PM. Historian **Byron Rushing** will discuss, "Black Flight: The recent census shows that Black Bostonians are steadily leaving the city. Why, and what are the implications?"

our Commonwealth. Please attend the service to hear more about UU Mass Action's current efforts, including MA legislation for Indigenous Rights.



Fun Times on Finance

Finance can be fun! Who knew? The First Parish Finance team is looking to add a few new members. Only requirement is curiosity about how finances work at church and a willingness to pitch in with decisions and tasks. Beer is optional. Finance drafts the annual operating budget, advises the Board on significant financial decisions and keeps the congregation posted on how we're doing. We have a good group! Love to add a few new folks. If you have what it takes, please join us!

*[David Bove](#) and [Marja Mehary](#),
Co-Chairs*



LexPride: Partner News

Green Action Corner: Support Article

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On Nov 17th [Article 17](#) will be heard at the Town of Lexington meeting. This is an important article that needs to pass. If this article passes it will insure that any new **life science or lab building** in the Hartwell area will be using a **hybrid system for their energy needs**.

The hybrid system will combine both electric heat and fossil-fuel and will greatly reduce emissions. The Board of Health, the Planning Board, Senator Barrett and **Representative Ciccolo** are among others who support this initiative. Our town meeting members need to hear from each of us for support of this Article.



Kaleidoscope
Nov 19-21

Featuring rare Rimsky-Korsakov, timeless Purcell, the genius of CPE Bach, and the premiere of two short works for string quartet by Mariel Mayz and Li Qi



SARASA

SARASA: Upcoming
Concert

Colorful, ever changing shapes in music for six strings, featuring rare Rimsky-Korsakov, timeless Purcell, and the genius of CPE Bach. Program includes the premier of two short works for string quartet by Brandeis PhD composers Mariel Mayz and Li Qi, co-commissioned by David Stern and Sarasa Ensemble.

Friday, Nov 19th @ 7:30 PM
[Harvard-Epworth United Methodist Church,](#)
[Cambridge](#)

Sunday, Nov 21st @ 3:30 PM
[Follen Community Church, Lexington](#)

The exciting line up of musicians include regular members Zenas Hsu (violin) and Jason Fisher (viola) of Boston's A Far Cry; Marka Gustavsson, violist of the Manhattan String Quartet; and Katherine Winterstein, concertmaster of Vermont Symphony and co-concertmaster of the Boston Pops Esplanade Orchestra. **NOT TO BE MISSED!**

www.SarasaMusic.org

Hi all,

Please enjoy this issue of
LexPride's weekly
[newsletter!](#)

Warmly,
Valerie Overton
she/her/hers
LexPride Co-Chair
www.LexPrideMA.org

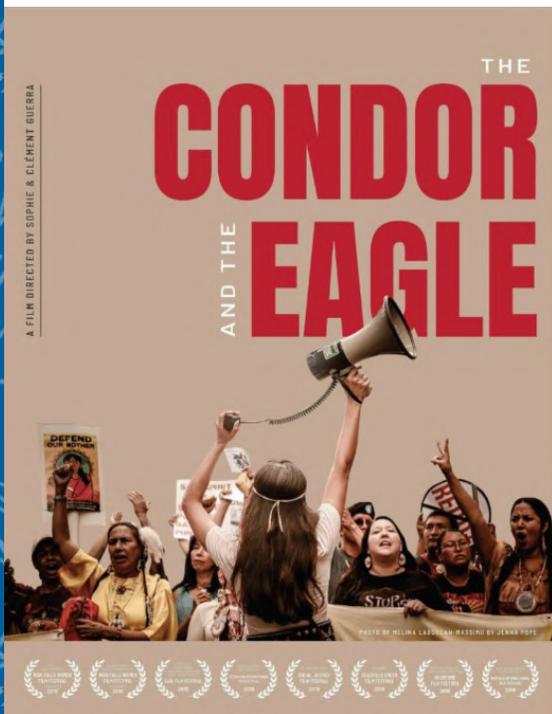


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Take Action for
Indigenous Rights and
support MA Legislative
Priorities with [UU Mass
Action](#), who is working in
coalition with partners
at [United American Indians
of New England](#) and the
[North American Indian
Center of Boston](#)



Questions? Contact [Lee
Brami](#) or [JoAnn Mulready-
Shick](#), members of First
Parish's Social Justice
Indigenous Team, a
collaborative effort
between the Racial
Justice and Climate
Action Teams.



Documentary Discussion Sun, Nov 21st @ 5:30 PM



Register for
the ZOOM link

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New Way of Living on Earth

We are in the midst of a climate emergency and must learn a new way of living on earth.

The Condor and The Eagle, an Award Winning documentary film, calls us to live our 7th and 8th principles by listening to, learning from, and walking with Indigenous people and others who have been marginalized by the way we live on earth and our reliance on fossil fuel.

How can we come to intimately understand the brave demands and wisdom of people who we have ignored, lied to, and committed genocide against? All people have rights. Nature has rights too. It is only when we truly believe that we all live downstream that we can heal and work together and help shift the power. According to **Bill McKibben**, a leading climate activist, "Change happens when people force it to happen."

First Parish's **Climate Action** and **Racial Justice** teams are co-sponsoring the screening of *The Condor and the Eagle* so you can **watch it FREE** (or for your voluntary contribution) anytime through Nov 30th - [Click here to register and watch](#). You are invited to join a community wide zoom discussion to share your reactions, thoughts, and action commitments.

Sun, Nov 21st @ 5:30
REGISTER now to receive the ZOOM link!

Virtual Lexington Town Thanksgiving Service

An Evening of Gratitude

Tuesday November 23rd

7:00 – 8:00pm

Sponsored by Lexington Interfaith Clergy Assoc.

Offering will be taken for LexRAP (Lexington Refugee Assistance Program)



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