

**Mission Statement:** *We welcome all to our inclusive spiritual community. We affirm our Unitarian Universalist Principles and put them into action by worshipping together, caring for one another, and working for a safe, just, and sustainable world.*

**First Parish in Cohasset  
Unitarian Universalist**

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**Minister:** Rev. Dan Harper  
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**Parish Committee:**

Holly Harris, Chair; Annie Spang, Vice Chair; Mike Nakashima, Clerk;  
Woody Chittick, Treasurer; At-Large Members:  
Beverley Burgess, Abe Murray, Tara Volungis

**Rev. Dan Harper's Office Hours:**

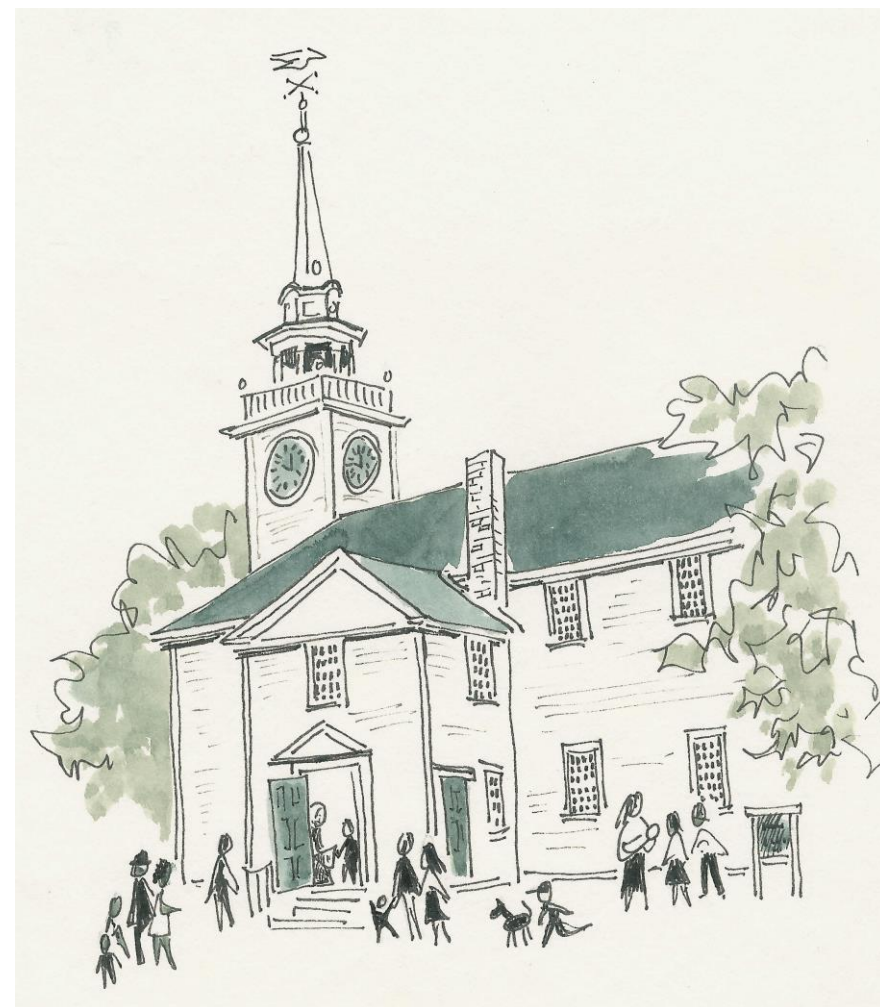
Mondays, Tuesdays, and Wednesdays from 11:00a -7:00p.  
Please contact the Parish Office or Dan to schedule an appointment.

**March 2023 Care Circle Coordinator**

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**Thank You:**

**Lay Leader:** Beverley Burgess  
**Worship Associate:** Eric Kluz  
**Coffee Hour:** Lisa Dunne  
**Usher:** Steve and Susan George  
**Flowers:** In loving memory of Vernita Bryant



**Sunday, March 26, 2023**

If you would like to give to this morning's offering online, please use the QR code above. In the comments field, **please write "Sunday offering."**

## Order of Service

**Welcome** Beverley Burgess

**Prelude** "Morning Has Broken"  
Trad. Gaelic Melody, arr. C.E Walz

**Opening Words:** "Invocation" by Everett Hoagland,  
a distinguished African American poet, retired professor of  
UMass Dartmouth, and a Unitarian Universalist.

**Hymn #346,** "Come Sing a Song with Me"

**Unison Chalice Lighting Words: #525,** "Web"  
by Denise Levertov

**Testimonial:** Abe Murray

**Moment for All Ages:** Tracey Newman

**Hymn #118,** "This Little Light of Mine"

**Candles of Joy, Sorrow, and Concern**

**Prayer and Meditation**

**Hymn in Response: #153,** "Find a Stillness"

**Readings:** From the poem, "Global Warming Blues"  
by Mariahadessa Ekere Tallie.  
And an excerpt from the poem,  
"New Ecology" by Ernesto Cardenal.

**Choir Anthem:** "Blessing" Irish Poem, setting Katie Moran Bart

**Sermon:** "The Tree Spirit's Mistake" – Bev Burgess

**Offering:** "Elegy for the Arctic" Ludovico Einaudi

Our "**Share the Plate**" for March and April will go to the Unitarian Universalist Urban Ministry (UUUM) earmarked for the Roxbury Youth Programs, RYP. The RYP provides after school programming for tutoring, homework help, daily workshops, hot meals, van rides, and internship programs for youth artists who learn skills in leadership, self-efficacy and creativity through the lens of community history and social change.

**Closing Hymn: #116,** "I'm on My Way," verses 1, 4, and 5

**Unison Closing Words:**

Go out into the world in peace,  
Be of good courage,  
Hold fast to what is good,  
Return to no one evil for evil.  
Strengthen the fainthearted  
Help the suffering;  
Be patient with all,  
Love all living beings.

**Postlude:** "Canticle of the Turning" Trad. Irish Melody,  
setting Rory Cooney, arr. Mark Hayes  
*"Wipe away all tears / For the dawn draws near /  
And the world is about to turn!"*

**Next Week's Service:** "Responding to Christian Nationalism"

If you'd like this hour to recharge and reflect but need qualified supervision for your infant or young child, First Parish is here to support you. **Janice Brown**, our paid **child care attendant** (no cost to you), is across the street at the Parish House just waiting to help! Please ask an usher to point you in the right direction.

**Join us for coffee hour across the street** at Trueblood Hall directly following today's service.