

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
Director of Religious Education: Dr. Kate Sullivan
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Parish Committee:
Holly Harris, Chair; Annie Spang, Vice Chair;
Pete Parker, Treasurer; Caroline Struzziero, Clerk;
At-Large Members:
Beverley Burgess, Abe Murray, Tara Volungis

Rev. Dan Harper's Office Hours:
Mondays, Tuesdays, and Wednesdays from 9:30a -5:00p.
Please contact the Parish Office or Dan to schedule an appointment.

Dec 1-15, 2023 / Care Circle Coordinator
Carol Martin / 781-378-0941 / drjandmrsg@comcast.net

Worship Associate:

Thank You:
Carol Martin

Coffee Hour:

Lisa and Mark Dunne

Usher(s):

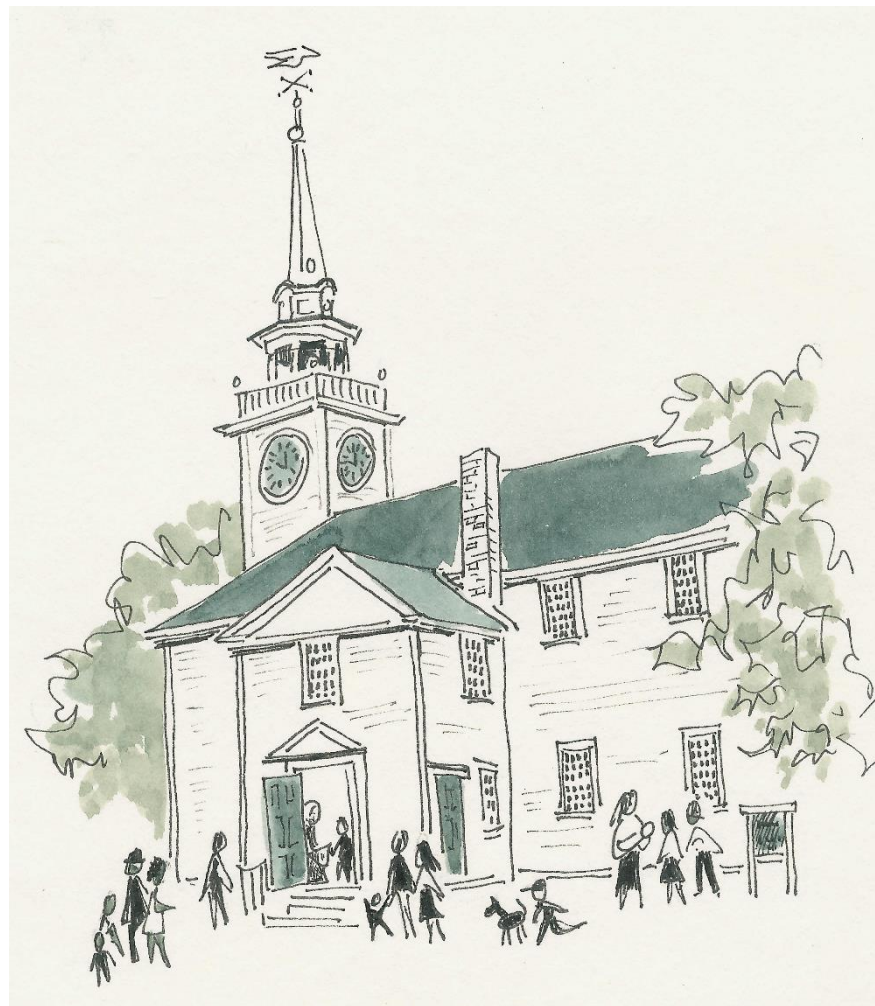
Ron and Shirley Wallace

Flowers:

Given by Meghan and Jason Neri

Wreaths:

Donated by Leslie Fallon



December 10th, 2023

If you would like to give to this morning's offering online, please use the first QR code above. In the comments field, please write "Sunday offering."
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Order of Service
Minister: Reverend Dan Harper

Welcome Dan Harper

Prelude: "Hope" arr. Joel Raney
Incorporating FOREST GREEN and ES IST EIN ROS

Opening Words: "For Peng Bo'er on Her Tenth Birthday"
by Wang Yin, trans. Andrea Lingenfelter

Hymn: "Good King Wenceslas" (see insert)

Unison Chalice Lighting Words: #564, "Love Is Not Concerned"

Hymn: "Jingle Bells" (see insert)

Candles of Joy, Sorrow, and Concern - Dan

Prayer and Meditation - Dan

Hymn in response: #55, "Dark of Winter"

Readings: "Jingle Coins," anonymous parody Luke 18:18-25,
trans. Robert W. Funk, Roy W. Hoover, and the Jesus Seminar
Read by Carol Martin

Choir Anthem: "The Christmas Gift" (see insert) Pepper Choplin
with "The Holly and the Ivy", a traditional English Carol

Sermon: "Is It Religion, pt. 4: Christmas" - Dan

Offering: "The Colours of Christmas" John Rutter

The Plate Share for the month of December goes to **Common Hope** to provide sponsorship for **Katherine Daniela Ixcoy Santos**. Our sponsorship of Katherine, through Common Hope, ensures that she is able to continue her schooling and that her family receives regular visits from social workers as well as "gifts" of emergency food supplies and medical attention, when needed.

Closing Hymn: #318, "We Would Be One"

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: "In Dulci Jubilo" Wayne L. Wold
Based on a German carol, 14th cen.

Next Week's Service: Intergenerational worship:
No rehearsal Christmas Pageant

Join us after today's service for **coffee hour and "Song Circle"**
across the street at the Parish House. All are welcome and
encouraged to attend!