

**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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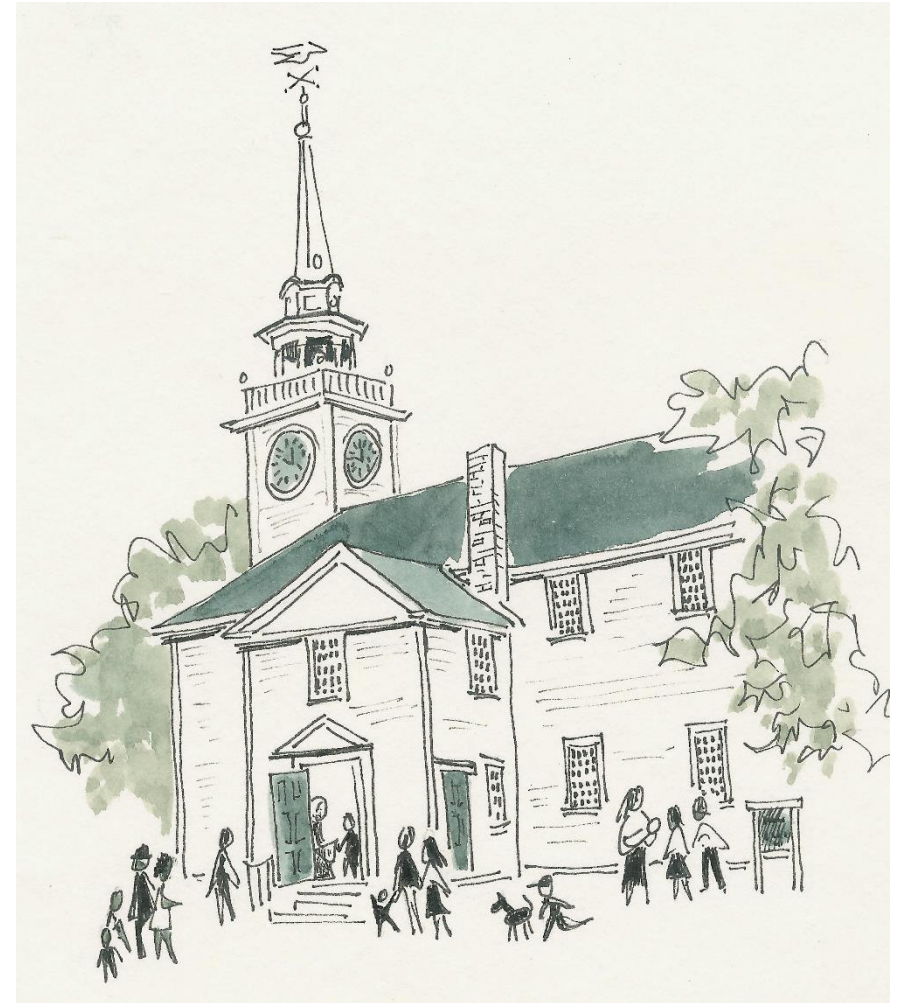
**Parish Committee:**  
Tara Volungis, Chair; Beverley Burgess, Vice-Chair;  
Pete Parker, Treasurer; Susan George, Clerk  
At-Large Members:  
Peter Sexton and Caroline Struzziero

**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.

**September 2024 / Care Circle Coordinator**  
**Nancy Robertson / 781-492-3401 / [nancyrobertson101@gmail.com](mailto:nancyrobertson101@gmail.com)**

**Thank You:**

**Worship Associate:** Nancy Robertson  
**Flowers:** Given by Carol Martin  
with the shared sentiment, "Welcome Back, everyone!"  
**Coffee Hour:** The Brunch Crew  
**Usher(s):** Stanley Fogleman & Susan Etkind



**Water Ritual  
September 8th, 2024**



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."** Scan the other two codes to follow us on Facebook and Instagram!

**Order of Service**  
**Rev. Dan Harper**

**Welcome**

**Prelude:** "Root Beer Rag" by Billy Joel

**Opening Words:**

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

**Unison Chalice Lighting Words:** #564

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

**Prayer and Meditation** -

**Hymn in response:** #123, "Spirit of Life"

**Collecting the Water** -- Kate Sullivan and Dan Harper

**Moment for All Ages** -- Kate and Dan

**Song:** "Swimming to the Other Side" by Pat Humphries (see insert)  
Lead by Matt Mulder

**Readings:** "I took my bucket" by Linda Pinti  
"Water, deep source" a poem by Pat Simon  
(Read by Nancy Robertson)

**Choir Anthem:** "Take Me Out to the Ball Game"  
Words: Jack Norworth; Music: Albert von Tilzer

**Sermon:** – Dan

**Offering:** "Organ & Vacation & Ice Cream"  
by Natalia Jespersen

Our "**Share the Plate**" for **September** will continue to be directed to the **Common Hope**, to provide sponsorship for **Katherine Daniela Ixcoy Santos**. Our sponsorship of Katherine 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.

**Blessing the Water**

**Closing Hymn:** #1064, "Blue Boat Home"

**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:** "Summer Evening" by Edvard Grieg (1901)

**Next Week's Service:** "The Freddie Green Theory of Leadership"

All are welcome and encouraged to attend this church year's opening **coffee hour (brunch!)** across the street at the Parish House directly following today's service.