

**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; Bev Burgess, Vice Chair;  
Pete Parker, Treasurer; Susan George, Clerk;  
At-Large Members:  
Nancy Robertson, 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.

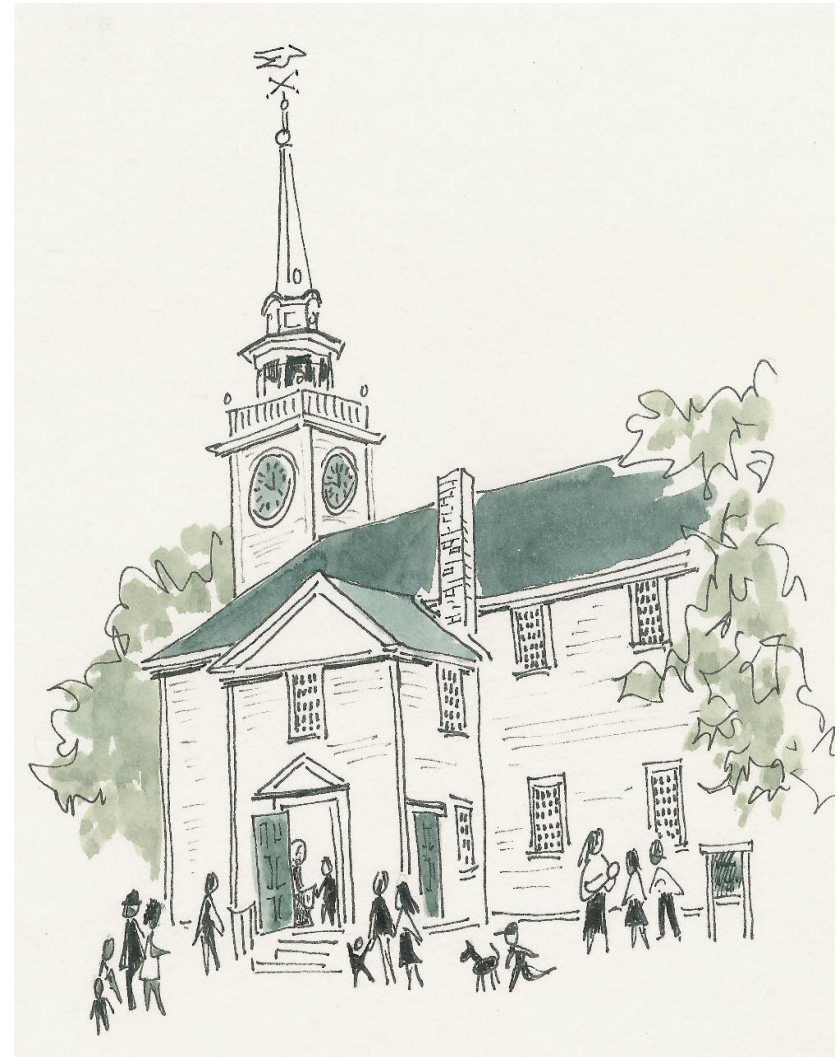
**January 2025 / Care Circle Coordinator**  
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**Thank You:**  
R.E. Children and Families  
Pete and Mary Parker  
Given by Steve and Susan George

**Coffee Hour:**  
**Usher(s):**  
**Flowers:**



If you would like to give to this morning's offering online, please use the first QR code above. **Please write "Sunday offering" in the comments.** Scan the other two codes to follow us on Facebook and Instagram!



**January 12<sup>th</sup>, 2025**

**Order of Service**  
**Poetry Sunday**

Love ~

*"Someone who does not run toward the allure of love  
walks a road where nothing lives." - RUMI*

**Welcome** Bev Burgess

**Prelude:** "Desert Tone Poem" Edna Mae Burnam

**Opening Words:** "Not So Long Ago" by Bev Burgess

**Hymn: #40,** "The Morning Hangs a Signal"

**Chalice Lighting Poem:** "Cobb Creek" by Mary Oliver

**Moment for All Ages:** Nate Volungis

**Hymn: #118,** "This Little Light"

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

**Prayer and Meditation –** Bev Burgess

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

**Poems:** "Hope" by Emily Dickinson  
"If I Can Stop One Heart from Breaking" by Emily Dickinson  
*Read by Sue Rhein Stewart*

**Reflection:** "Beckoning" – by Bev Burgess

**Choir Anthem:** "The Road Not Taken" from *Frostiana*  
Words by Robert Frost; Music by Randall Thompson

**Poems:** "One Woman's Work" by Mary M. Eva  
"Care and Feeding" by Billy Collins  
*Read by Nancy Robertson*

**Offering:** "Der Dichter spricht" (The Poet Speaks)  
Robert Schumann

Our Plate Share for January and February is in support of **Black Lives of Unitarian Universalism**. BLUU is committed to expanding the power and capacity of Black UUs within Unitarian Universalism; providing support, information, and resources for Black Unitarian Universalists; and justice-making and liberation for Black people through our faith.

**Hymn: #44,** "We Sing of Golden Mornings"

**Poems:** "Winter Sequence" by Mark Belletini  
"The Nourishing Dark" by Richard Gilbert  
*Read by Carol Martin*

"Every Time I Climb a Tree" by David McCord  
"Inspiration" by Eric Kluz  
*Read by Eric Kluz*

**Hymn: #347,** "Gather the Spirit"

**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:** "Poem (Waltz Arrangement)"  
from *A Summer's Night, Op. 41/6* Zdeněk Fibich

**Next Week's Service:** "MLK for Times Like These"

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

