

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:
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.

June 2025 / Care Circle Coordinator
Beverley Burgess / 781-929-4333 / bevburgess@aol.com

Thank You:
Musical Guests: Felix Stuart, Sarah Stuart, and Donald Zook
Coffee Hour: The Volungis Family
Usher(s): Holly Harris and Pokey Kornet



**First Parish in Cohasset
June 8th, 2025**



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!

Order of Service
Rev. Dan Harper

Welcome:

Prelude: "Choros No. 1" Heitor Villa-Lobos
Felix Stuart, guitar

Opening Words: We consider bibles and religions divine -- I do not say they are not divine, I say they have all grown out of you, and may grow out of you still, it is not they who give the life, it is you who give the life. The sum of all known reverence I add up in you, whoever you are.
— from Walt Whitman, "A Song for Occupations"

Opening Hymn: "Swimming to the Other Side" - see insert

Unison Chalice Lighting Words: #463

Moment for All Ages: "The Story of the Flower Celebration" –
Dan and Kate

Musical Interlude: "The Last Rose of Summer" Friedrich Von Flotow
Sarah Stuart, harp and Donald Zook, flute

Child Dedication: see insert

Musical Interlude: "Serenade No., Movement IV"
Vincent Persichetti
Sarah Stuart, harp and Donald Zook, flute

Gathering the Flowers -- Kate and Dan

Candles of Joy, Sorrow, and Concern

Prayer and Meditation – Dan

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

Choir Anthem: "Song for the Mira" Allister MacGillivray,
arr. Stuart Calvert with Donald Zook, flute

Sermon: "The Uniqueness of Flowers" - Dan

The Exchange of Flowers

Offering: "Haru No Umi (Spring Sea)" Josef Molnar
Sarah Stuart, harp and Donald Zook, flute

Our "**Share the Plate**" for **June** will continue to be directed to supporting the important work of the **Louis D. Brown Peace Institute (LDBPI)**. The LDBPI is a center of healing, teaching, and learning for families and communities impacted by murder, trauma, grief, and loss. Since 1994, the Peace Institute has been a leader in homicide response, violence prevention, and peacebuilding, filling a gap in much-needed services while developing an innovative, effective model that leads the field of Community Violence Intervention.

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: "Pan!" Joannes Donjon
Sarah Stuart, harp and Donald Zook, flute

Next Week: No service due to Lobster Roll Weekend!

Join us after today's service **coffee hour** across the street at the Parish House for "**ice-cream sundae Sunday**" (plus some breakfast treats). All are welcome and encouraged to attend!