

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:
Ngoc DuPont, and Micah Mulder

Rev. Dan Harper's Office Hours:
Mondays, Tuesdays, and Wednesdays from 9:30a -3:00p.
Please contact the Parish Office or Dan to schedule an appointment.

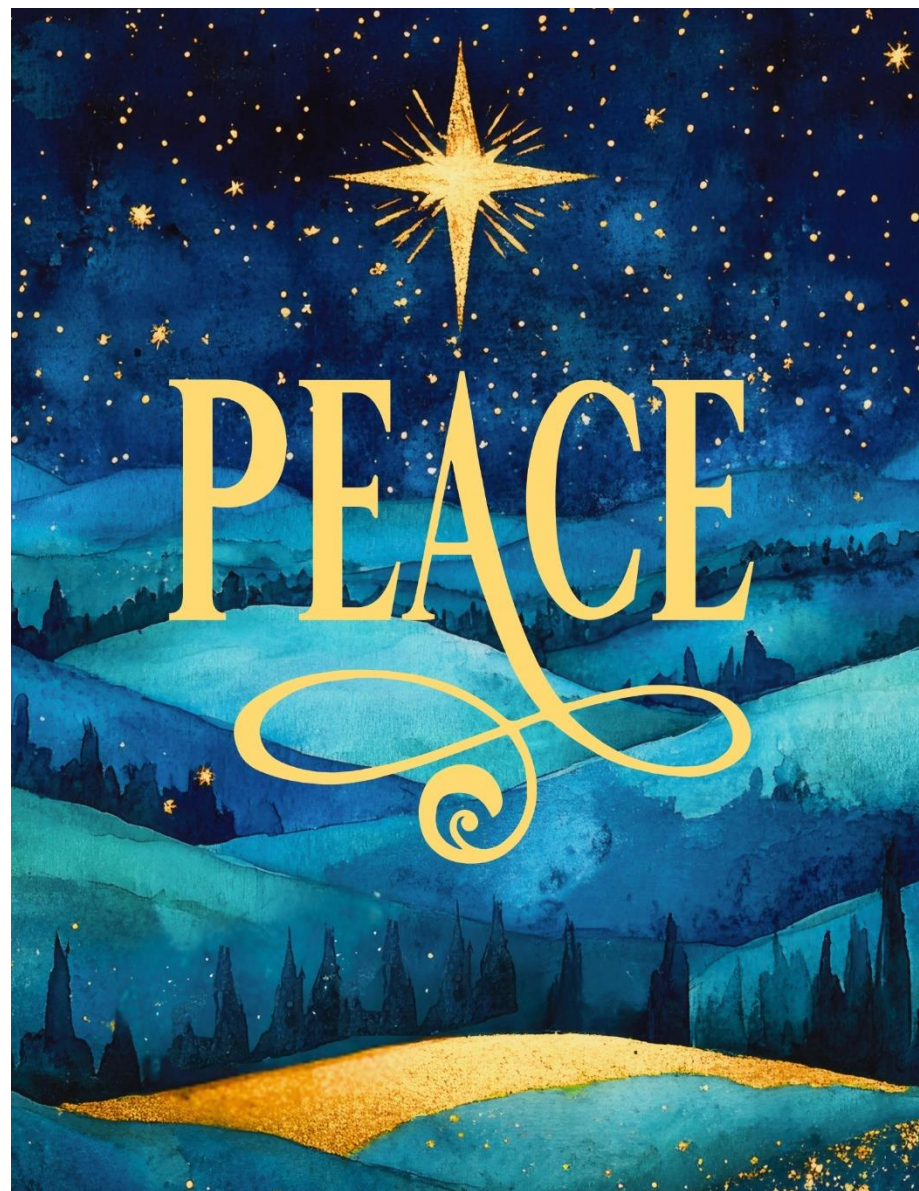
December 2025 / Care Circle Coordinator
Joan Kovach / 339-203-0005 / joanstackkovach@gmail.com

Thank You:

Guest Soloists: Karin Foley, soprano, and Nick Capodilupo, tenor
Guest Musicians: Dan Moore, bass – Kathryn Hillman, trumpet
Usher(s): The Struzziere Family **Lights:** Alicia Svenson
Flowers: Poinsettia Plants (**see insert for sponsors and intentions**)
Wreaths: Donated by Leslie Fallon / Displayed by Susan Putziger



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**First Parish in Cohasset
Christmas Eve Candlelight Service
December 24, 2025
5pm**

Christmas Eve Order of Service, 12/24/25

Minister: Rev. Dan Harper

Welcome: Dan Harper

Prelude: "O Holy Night" Adolphe Adam, arr. Carl Deis
Sung by Karin Foley and Nick Capodilupo

Lighting of the Candelabra: Rory Toyoshima

Opening Words: from the Book of Isaiah – Shea Neri

Carol: "O Come, O Come, Emmanuel" – see insert

The Story of the Christmas Candles: Dan and Kate

Prayer and Meditation – Dan

Carol: "O Come All Ye Faithful" – see insert

Unison Reading: Caroline Struzziero

In the darkness of the night,
We kindle our light
In the coldness of winter,
We kindle our warmth
Despite sorrows we bear,
We kindle our hope
Held in eternal love and recurring wonder;
We rejoice that light and life are born again.
– the Rev. Dr. Anita Farber-Robertson

Musical interlude: "O Joyful Children" Music: Lee Holdridge;
Words: Mary Huckaby Sung by Karin Foley

Reading: from the book of Matthew – Rory Toyoshima

Carol: "Angels We Have Heard on High" – see insert

Reading: from the Book of Luke – Libby Struzziero

Choir Anthem: "Run, Shepherds, Run" Robert C. Clatterbuck
Soloist: Mary Toropov

Reading: from "A Christmas Carol" by Charles Dickens
Nate Volungis and Phil Struzziero

Carol: "It Came Upon the Midnight Clear" – see insert

Reading: "Christmas Is a Faith" by Rev. Roscoe Trueblood
Beverley Burgess

Carol: "Joy to the World" – see insert

Reading: from "Stray Birds" by Rabindranath Tagore – Dan

Musical Interlude: "Gesù Bambino"
Frederick H. Martens, Italian by Pietro A. Yon
Sung by Nick Capodilupo

Christmas Message: "Every Child" – Dan

Offering: Caroline Struzziero
The offering from this year's Christmas Eve service will go to
Boston Health Care for the Homeless.

Offertory: "O Little Town of Bethlehem"
Tune: ST. LOUIS by Lewis H. Redner, arr. Roger C. Wilson

Candle Lighting Introduction: Dan

Ringing of the Bell: Rue Wilson, bell ringer

Carol: "Silent Night" – see insert

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: "Hark the Herald Angels Sing!"
Felix Mendelssohn, arr. David Cherwein

Social Hour: Please join us for treats and conversation across the
street at the Parish House directly following tonight's service.
Hosted by Carol Steinfeld