The Union Church in Waban

Weekly Updates

June 13, 2014

Arnold Arboretum Tour

Tomorrow, Saturday, June 14, 10:00 a.m.

Join Bart Kelso tomorrow morning for a walking tour of Harvard's <u>Arnold Arboretum</u>. We'll gather at the Visitors Center, just inside the main gate on the Arborway. Wear comfortable shoes, as the tour will be about 90 minutes. You can park on the Arborway, or take the T to the Forest Hills stop on the Orange line, a half mile from the main gate. Come and see how our Creator is doing spring! We will conduct the tour unless there is a steady rain. If

in doubt, call Bart's cell phone at 617 834 0990 before 9:00 a.m.

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SUNDAY

Bible Study: There will be no bible study this Sunday.

Worship at 10:00. During worship we will have a time to light candles in memory and celebration of the Father's among us.

Youth and Children's Ministry

This Sunday is our last week of Sunday School classes until September. Children in PreK through Grade 5 are invited to join Kathy in a One Room Church School in Littlehale. We will read the story of creation, and play some games to help us consider how God's breath gave life to creation. We'll talk about ways we can just stop and breathe this summer and enjoy the beauty of God's creation. Finally we'll make finger labyrinths as a tool we can use to spend time with God.

Youth will remain in worship.

From the Church Mouse...

Thank you to Scott Laughlin for taking time out this past Tuesday morning to accompany Stacy and Aidan to a sales demo for a printer that we are considering as replacement for our office printer.

Scott's expertise and input has been hugely helpful in this process.

Summer Services at Church

There will be two Sunday evening services at church this summer.

July 20 at 5:00 p.m.

and

August 17 at 5:00 p.m.

Details here.

Lawn Church

There will be three Wednesday evening gatherings at the home of Christy and Adam Hearlson.

June 18 at 5:30 p.m July 30 at 5:30 p.m

and

August 27 at 5:30 p.m

Lawn Church Details *here*.

A Note From Kathy

Dear Union Church in Waban, My heartfelt thanks to all of you for the incredible memory book and generous gift you gave to me last week. I first read through the whole memory book quickly and now I am going through and savoring each and every note. The thoughtfulness and time you took to write these notes mean so much to me. I am so excited to begin my elementary school teaching career, yet so sad to have to leave this job. I know there will be some challenging times in this transition, and I know I will be returning to your words for support. I am so blessed to have worked with this congregation.

With gratitude and love,

Kathy.

Opportunities to connect over the summer

Summer Services:

As you may know, things get a bit quieter at the Union Church over the summer. While most of our programmatic offerings (book group, prayer group, women's group, parenting group, lunch bunch) continue, today, June 15th will be our last regular Sunday service until we start up again on Gathering Sunday, which is September 7th. We will, however, have **two summer services here at the church, one on July 20th at 5:00 p.m., and again on August 17th at 5:00 p.m.** Both services will be followed by a light supper.

CALENDAR

Note: The UCW website calendar will be updated regularly to reflect church meeting and activities over the summer months.



Click here for the UCW calendar.

MINISTRY LINKS

Sermons
Zambia Mission Trip
Nicaragua Mission
Moment
The Russell School
Adult Education

Summer Lawn Church:

We will also be having "lawn church" at the home of Christy and Adam Hearlson on Wednesday, June 18th, July 30th, and August 27th. There will be hot coals ready at 5:30 p.m. So please bring something to grill as well as something to share (drinks, dessert, or a side dish). Also please bring a picnic blanket or camp chair if you don't want to sit on the ground.

Please **RSVP** to Christy at christiane.lang@gmail.com up until the day before each picnic/service so we know how many paper plates we need, and if we need to light a second grill, and for directions. Our meal will be followed by a service of song, prayer and word.

Summer Pen Pals:

While summer can be a time of Sabbath for rest and renewal, we can also miss seeing and connecting, so this summer the deacons are inviting you to pair up with a "summer pen pal". All ages are invited to participate. The idea is that at some point over the summer you would write a letter or drop a postcard to your summer pen pal, letting them know how you are doing and what you are up to

If you are interested in having a summer pen pal, please send your name and address to Stacy (stacy@ucw.org).