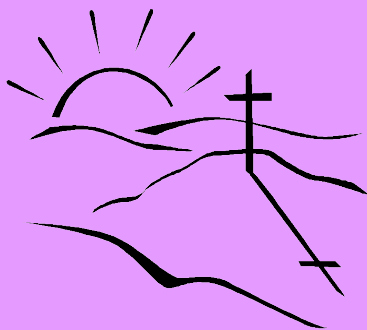


Holy Week at The Union Church in Waban



Maundy Thursday, April 2nd, 6:15 - 7:30 p.m. in the Vestry. The service begins with a simple meal of bread, soup and salad, and communion, as we remember Jesus' last meal with his disciples on the night that he was betrayed. After supper, the service then moves into Tenebrae worship, which is Latin for "shadows" or "darkening." As scripture and song leads us through the unfolding of events from that last supper through Jesus' death on the cross, the light will grow dimmer and dimmer, until we depart at the end of the service in darkness and silence. Child care will be available. Suggested donation to help cover the cost of the meal is \$5/person with no more than \$20/family. Sign up for this service is in the Crocker Chapel or please rsvp to the office ucw@ucw.org so that we can plan for sufficient food and child care coverage.

Easter Vigil, Saturday, April 4th, 7:00 - 8:00 p.m. Traditionally, on the Saturday before Easter, newly-baptized Christians would keep an all-night vigil waiting with great expectation for the dawning of Easter's joy. Our service, however, is only an hour long, but we embrace this same journey from darkness into light. We start the service in darkness. Then the Christ candle that was walked out of our Maundy Thursday service is brought into the sanctuary. Through communion and the reaffirmation of our baptism, the light rises and so do our hearts as we give thanks for the joy of Easter morn that is coming. Child care will be provided.

Easter Worship, Sunday, April 5th, 10:00 a.m. Our Easter Service will include communion, a bell introit by the children's bell ringers, and as our offertory anthem, a piece entitled "Easter Rejoicing" by Jonathan Willcocks for the choir and trumpet. Children are invited to remain in the service for the entire service to share in this joyful worship. If, however, parents do need to step out with their children, the vestry will be set up with some activities/crafts. The nursery will be available for infants and toddlers. After worship, all children are invited to participate in an Easter egg hunt. After the service, please be sure to pick up your Easter blooms so that you can enjoy them at home.