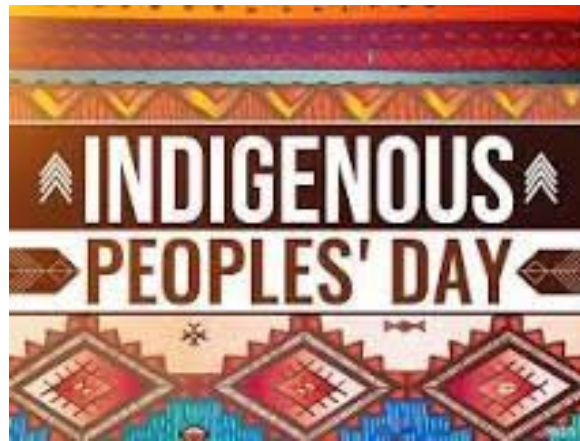


FIRST PARISH  
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*Canton*  
MASSACHUSETTS



## Don't All the Real Indians Live in Tee-Pees?

October 13, 2024

Order of Service

**Indigenous Peoples Sunday**  
**Led by Rev. Dr. Clyde Grubbs**  
**October 13, 2024**

**Gathering Music** James Chubet

**Centering Bell** Rev. Michelle

**Prelude** #1071 – *On the Dusty Earth Drum (Cotter-Shelton)*  
First Parish Choir

**Welcome & Announcements** Rev. Michelle

**Shared Call to Worship and Unison Chalice Lighting**  
Rev. Clyde & Congregation  
*Adapted from Rev. Lisa Garcia-Sampson, Chalice lighting by Rev. Clyde*

Spirit that lives in us, and between us, and among us  
In our work for collective liberation,  
may we continue to weave the web of trust and care.  
And, may we open ourselves to be nourished and transformed by  
the vision for peace and justice,  
For ours is the work of creation of inviting people into beloved  
community  
rooted in our belief that a new world is possible.  
Deep in our bones, may we know the calling of our faith is love, joy,  
and the spirit of abundance.  
Amen.

We light our chalice, may it shine brightly  
inspiring us to renew our commitment to our liberating faith  
And empowering our transformative love.

**Covenant**

Rev. Clyde &amp; Congregation

Love is the doctrine of this congregation. The quest for truth is its sacrament, and service is its prayer. To dwell together in peace with respect and understanding; to seek knowledge in freedom; to serve our fellows and humankind to the end that all souls shall grow together in harmony. Thus do we covenant with each other and with our God, by whatsoever name we worship.

**\*Opening Hymn**

*#38 – Morning Has Broken*  
First Parish Choir & Congregation

**World Wisdom Reading**

“Civilizing the NDN”

Written by John (Fire) Lame Deer, Sioux Lakota (1903-1976]

Rev. Clyde

**Invitation to the Offering**

Rev. Michelle

**Offertory**

*#1073 – The Earth is Our Mother (Native American)*  
First Parish Choir

**Joys & Sorrows**

Rev. Michelle

**Meditation and Prayer**

Rev. Michelle

**Musical Interlude**

*#1070 – Mother I Feel You*  
First Parish Choir

**Sermon**

Don't All the Real Indians Live in Tee-Pees?  
...some questions people have asked about indigenous America  
Rev. Clyde

**\*Closing Hymn**

*#1069 – Ancient Mother (Trad. Navajo Prayer)*  
First Parish Choir & Congregation

**\*Shared Benediction**

Rev. Clyde & Congregation

*Written by Rev. Sam Trumbone*

Every week we gather in this beloved community.  
Each week words and music celebrate peace, justice, and beloved  
community

Now, take the peace you have found here,  
back out into the world with you.

Renewed in our faith and inspired to act,  
Let us be the peacemakers the world aches for;  
And, by being peacemakers,  
let us find the good world we long for.  
Go in peace; Make peace; Be at peace.

**\*Unison Chalice Extinguishing**

Rev. Clyde & Congregation

*Written by Rev. Elizabeth Selle-Jones, SLT #456*

We extinguish this flame,  
but not the light of truth,  
the warmth of community,  
or the fire of commitment.

These we carry in our hearts until we are together again

**Postlude**

*#1072 – Evening Breeze (Unknown)*

First Parish Choir

**\*Please rise in body and/or in spirit  
Please join us for coffee hour after the Service**

## **Neponset River Mind-Body-Spirit Center**

***Exploring Your Spirituality:*** First Thursday of the month – November 7 from 1pm to 2pm in the Chapel.

***Zen Buddhist Meditation Group:*** Second Thursday of the month – November 14 from 1 to 2pm in the Chapel.

***Get Your Body Groove On!:*** Fourth Thursday of the month – October 24 from 1pm to 2pm in the Chapel.

### **Ongoing Events at FPUU**

***The Bible – What Is It and Why?:*** Second Sunday of the month – October 13 at 12:15pm to 1:15PM, led by Rev. Dr. Clyde Grubbs, Affiliate Community Minister. In advance read as much of the Book of Genesis as possible, and maybe the first three chapters of Exodus as well.

***Soup's On:*** Third Thursday of the month - October 17 from 12 to 1pm in Parish Hall.

***FPUU Public Speaker Forum:*** Saturday, October 19 at 5pm. Diane O'Toole, a past president of the Norwood League of Women Voters will be speaking on the importance of individual civic engagement in a republic, in a democracy. This timely free event will speak to the different ways one can be involved in the democratic process that is at the heart of American politics. Come and hear a little history and be inspired to participate in the current political season.

***Exploring Your Spirituality/Soul Matters:*** Third Sunday of the month – October 20 from 12:15pm to 1:15pm.

***CDEI/FPUU Speaker Forum:*** Saturday, October 26 from noon to 2pm. "Columbus Day vs. Indigenous Peoples Day: What's the Point?". Join us for a learning experience exploring myths of both Columbus and Thanksgiving, led by Thomas Green, Vice President of the Massachusetts-Ponkapoag Tribal Council. Healthy snacks will be provided.

***Sunday Brunch Potluck!*** First Sunday of the month – November 3. We are holding a Brunch Potluck after Sunday service. A few food items, coffee and tea will be provided, and we are asking everyone attending to bring the rest! See Barbara Foley for more information.

***Parish Committee Board Meetings:*** Second Wednesday of the month – November 13 at 7:15pm via Zoom. See Kitty McGregor, President during coffee social hours for more information.

### **October Faith in Action: Unitarian Universalist Service Committee**

The Faith in Action collection for October is to support the Unitarian Universalist Service Committee (UUSC). The UUSC supports and works with Indigenous groups, and this is in recognition of Indigenous Peoples Day on October 14. They also support peace, justice and democracy globally.

Please make checks or PayPal contributions payable to FPUU Canton and indicate in the memo line or note that your contribution is for Faith in Action (FIA). Please give as generously as you are able. Thank you!

### **October 20 Service led by Guest Speaker Rev. Laura Randall, UUSC**

#### **“Reimagining the Possible – UUSC and Global Solidarity”**



In the face of challenges and forces that undermine justice and equity, UUSC has, for more than eight decades, been resisting cynicism and refusing complacency. Through a model that embraces radical trust, UUSC advances human rights in partnership with communities impacted by oppression. Join the Rev. Laura Randall as we explore stories of faithful imagination and determined hope in the pursuit of liberation for all people. The Unitarian Universalist Service Committee also is our FPUU Faith in Action donation recipient for October!

Bio: As the Director for Congregation Relations at UUSC, the Reverend Laura Randall (she/her/hers) facilitates partnerships to strengthen the impact of the UU Service Committee (UUSC) and the social justice reach of UU communities. Prior to joining UUSC, Laura’s ministry included serving as the Legacy Campaign Director for the Unitarian Universalist Association and hospice chaplaincy. She lives in Medford, Massachusetts with her spouse and their two dogs.

## **Land and Labor Acknowledgement**

The First Parish Unitarian Universalist-Canton, MA  
[Adopted at the FPUU Annual Meeting on 6/4/24]

The First Parish Unitarian Universalist-Canton is proud to be a major historical church of Canton, representing a consolidation of two of Canton's oldest churches – the First Parish Unitarian, founded in the 18<sup>th</sup> century and the First Universalist Church, founded in the 19<sup>th</sup> century. We recognize that our church's history is complicated by the combined legacies of colonialism and slavery in the United States context. We acknowledge the history of Indigenous peoples and the dispossession of their lands, including that these original lands in Canton and neighboring towns were named Ponkapoag by indigenous peoples. We pay our respects to the Neponset Band, among other bands, of the Massachusetts Tribe, who have stewarded this land throughout generations. We honor their continued presence here and throughout their diaspora. We also acknowledge that we in Canton do not exist independently from centuries of forced labor and economic extraction from enslaved and indentured Black Indigenous People of Color (BIPOC), including children, as well as poor white immigrants/residents suffering abusive child labor and economic exploitation. And we want to affirm that although we cannot change history, we can and will work for justice, and that justice first begins in direct relationship with mutual recognition and acknowledgment of our shared history, experiences, and interactions. We celebrate and work in solidarity with BIPOC organizations leading the movement for our collective liberation, and we choose to build a diverse, multicultural Beloved Community casting out racism and oppression in ourselves and our institutions.

### **Our Vision and Purpose**

FPUU Canton is a welcoming, caring, and diverse faith community that seeks to nurture and inspire each person's spiritual journey while serving others in our commitment to peace and justice.

### **Minister & Staff**

The Rev. Dr. Michelle Walsh, *Lead Minister*  
The Rev. Dr. Clyde Grubbs, *Affiliate Community Minister*  
The Rev. Dr. Anita Farber-Robertson, *Minister Emerita*  
Jim Chubet, *Music Director*  
Carol Smith, *Office Administrator*

### **Parish Committee 2023-2024**

Kitty McGregor, *President*  
Dave Williams, *Vice President, Administration*  
Debbie Radovsky, *Vice President, Member Services*  
Larry Cotton, *Treasurer*  
Jonette Nagai, *Clerk*  
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