

FIRST PARISH in BROOKLINE

HIGHLIGHTS and CALENDAR

Reminder - **DEADLINE** for material for this notice is Noon on Thursdays

Items in this email: Calendar, Calling Lay Leaders and Ongoing

Church CALENDAR for Current Week

Below are the scheduled meetings that the **church office has been kept informed of** and/or **has on the calendar as of noon today**. Please note that meetings can and will change at the very last moment. Please notify our administrator should there be any changes or additions to this list as they occur. Thank you.

Friday	7/30	Daybreak Yoga – 6:30 am – Lyon Chapel
Sunday	8/1	10 am Worship in Lyon Chapel Worship leader: Rev Martha Niebanck 9:00 am Meditation – Meditation Room Book Club will meet NEXT Sunday - 8/8
Monday	8/2	Office Closed – Sonya on Vacation for day
Tuesday	8/3	Daybreak Yoga – 6:30 am – Lyon Chapel Eco-Team planning – 5:15 pm – Dana Room
Thursday	8/5	Olin Mills Planning meeting – 12 noon – Peterson Room
Friday	8/7	Daybreak Yoga – 6:30 am – Lyon Chapel

Calling LAY LEADERS

Are you interested in becoming a trained service leader for First Parish's hip new contemporary, lay-led Friday night services? These services will be held once a month and will follow an intergenerational, circle worship format. *Don't know what that means?* Feel free to express your interest anyway, and we'll learn together. Service leaders will be required to attend a leadership workshop in September (more information to follow). Interested parties of all ages should contact Jen Dillinger (dillinger@gmail.com) or April Trussell-Smith (membership@firstparishinbrookline.org).

ONGOING

- **Brookline Food Pantry** - First Parish has an on-going system of contributing durable foods to the Brookline Food Pantry. Bring your “**food**” donations to receiving rack near the Dana Room. If you are interested in helping deliver the Food Pantry items from our rack to the pantry ~1x/month: contact Ed Loechler or Leslie Spaneas.
- **Caring Ministry Team** - We continue to offer an extension of community care for church members whose daily needs (i.e. rides, food, pet sitting, home visits, etc.) and routines may be interrupted by short term personal crisis/emergencies. Feel free to contact Coordinator - Madeline Fine at carecoordinator@firstparishinbrookline.org or Rev. Martha at minister@firstparishinbrookline.org. Please do let us know how we can help. All inquires are kept confidential.
- **Greeting Cards and Bookmarks Wanted:** Please bring your unused birthday and general greeting cards and bookmarks for residents of nursing homes and long term care facilities who have no family and receive no personal mail. These cards and bookmarks will be distributed by the social services departments of two such facilities, one in Massachusetts and one in San Francisco. Joellen Hawkins has been collecting cards and bookmarks for this purpose for a couple years and you can get the cards to Joellen in person at church or place in the marked basket located on the sign up table outside Lyon Chapel. Thanks so much. Contact Joellen Hawkins with questions (joellenhawkins@mac.com).
- **Meditation Group – 9:00 am – Every Sunday** - Come sit with us for quiet contemplation and fellowship. There will be short sittings and shared readings. No experience needed, instruction provided. We of the FP Sangha are friendly, welcoming and encourage enjoyment of the present. Please join us in the moment (take stairs near the kitchen and follow the signs). For questions or information, contact: meditation@firstparishinbrookline.org
- **Social Action – What's Happening?** – Here's an easy way to hear what's happening on the Social Action front at First Parish – join our listserv by sending a message to socialaction-subscribe@firstparishinbrookline.org from your preferred email address. You'll hear a bit more than in the general church notices about opportunities to make a difference in our church and wider community. Also; to unsubscribe: socialaction-unsubscribe@firstparishinbrookline.org