

Serving Others



News from the Social Justice Council (SJC)

Next Meeting is Saturday, September 14, at 9 a.m. on Zoom. All are welcome! Here is the link to the meeting: <https://us06web.zoom.us/j/81551736696?pwd=itZe22cvUYfzX8NGq5b5nra6owQyJx.1>

Want to Help Provide Lunches for the Anderson Veterans Home in Hingham in October? We at Old Ship are part of a community wide interfaith effort to provide six lunches twice a week (Tuesday and Friday) to the Anderson Veterans Home at 111 Fort Hill Street in Hingham. Lunch consists of a deli-meat or PB&J sandwich, chips, fresh fruit, cookie, and water or juice. Old Ship is responsible for the month of October; we are looking for volunteers to take one or more of the October dates and provide the six lunches. Dates are October 1, 4, 8, 11, 15, 18, 22, 25, and 29. You could do this individually, as a family, or as a group of friends. The lunches are left in a cooler outside the back door of the home by noon on each date. If you would like to be a part of this effort, please contact [Davalene Cooper](#).

Anti-Racism/Social Justice Drop In Book Group meeting on September 15 at 7:00 p.m. on Zoom — All are welcome to join us as we discuss *All We Can Save: Truth, Courage, and Solutions for the Climate Crisis*, edited by Ayana Elizabeth Johnson and Katharine K. Wilkinson. The editors gathered together the voices of 60 women who are using their voices to create collective change around the climate crisis. As one commentator states, "these are the ideas, solutions, inspirations, and visionaries we've been waiting for." Davalene Cooper will facilitate our discussion. Here is the Zoom link for the meeting: <https://us06web.zoom.us/j/89029516109?pwd=wrATHaqJbULQPYYwwHibSckC0SNH2q.1>

UU the Vote Activities — Old Ship has signed up to be a "good trouble congregation" through the UU the Vote Program. There are opportunities to be involved in several different ways to get out the vote for this fall's election. There are weekly phone banks on Tuesday evenings, 7-9 p.m., starting Aug. 27 through Oct. 29. If you would like to write "get out the vote" targeted postcards, they can be written starting now, and then they are held to be mailed until Sept. 6 if going to Virginia, Sept. 15 if going to Georgia, or Oct. 1 if going elsewhere. To sign up to do any of these

things, please contact Ellie Handleman, who is organizing our UU the Vote efforts at Old Ship. Send her an email at ellie@thehandlemans.org.

General Assembly 2024 Action of Immediate Witness on Solidarity with Palestinians — This Action of Immediate Witness (AIW) calls for teach-ins on the Middle East and Pathways to Peace. You may read the AIW at this link: [\[AMENDED\] Proposed AIW - Solidarity with Palestinians - General Assembly 2024 / GA Business - Unitarian Universalist Association Forums \(uua.org\)](#). The SJC, along with the Lifelong Learning Committee, supports educating our congregation about this important issue. Accordingly, we will be hosting a speaker series for congregants on five successive Sundays, Sept 29-Oct 27, from 3-5 PM. Following this educational series, we will consider what additional actions we at Old Ship might take regarding the liberation of Palestine and an end to apartheid. For more details about this series and to RSVP to attend, see the separate article about the series in this newsletter.

Food Donations for the Hingham Food Pantry — We collect food donations for the Hingham Food Pantry (HFP) each week in the Meeting House and at 14 Main; there is a basket in the vestibule/hallway for donations. At this time, the following items are especially needed for the pantry: cookies, crackers, mac & cheese, red pasta sauce, and regular and decaf ground coffee. Donations may also be made at the Hingham Stop and Shop (large bin at the front of the store). If you prefer to donate money to the HFP, send a check to the HFP at 685 Main Street, Hingham, MA 02043. Also, please note that the HFP will be our special place recipient in October.

Summer Jazz Concert at the UU Urban Ministry — The Makanda Project will have one more jazz concert this summer at the Urban Ministry, 10 Putnam Street in Boston. Everyone is invited to attend this free concert under the summer sky in the heart of Roxbury on Saturday, September 14th from 1:00pm - 4:00pm.

Old Ship Social Justice Action Alert Network — Sign up for the Old Ship Social Justice Action Alert Network to find out about specific advocacy opportunities such as letter writing, advocacy calls, and participating in educational and advocacy events with local legislators. Send your email address to [Davalene Cooper](#), Keeper of the List.