

## News from the Social Justice

Council (SJC) —



### **Needed: Volunteers to make six lunches for the Veterans Home in**

**Hingham this coming 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 (no chicken or tuna salad), bag of chips or pretzles, piece of 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 we need to fill are October 3, 7, 10, 14, 17, 21, 24, 28, and 31.

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 at [davalenecooper@verizon.net](mailto:davalenecooper@verizon.net) or 781-749-0790. Thanks for considering this outreach to the community!

**Save the Date: *Becoming Trustworthy White Allies* on Thursday, October 23, from 7-8 p.m. in Zoom.** — We have arranged for Melanie Morrison, a racial justice educator and UCC minister, to present information on her newest book, *Becoming Trustworthy White Allies* on Thursday, October 23, from 7-8 p.m. in Zoom. You may learn more about her work at [Melanie S. Morrison](https://www.melaniemorrison.com), including information about the book, which will be released by Duke University Press on September 19. It is not necessary to read the book in advance of the presentation. This is our opportunity to learn more about being a trustworthy ally in our racial justice work. We intend this to be an opportunity to follow up on the racial justice work we did at Old Ship last year.

**Hingham Food Pantry** — The food pantry is especially in need of the following items: Pasta Sauce, Boxed White Rice, Crackers, 1 or 2 pound Bags of White Sugar, and Tuna. Items may be dropped off at 14 Main or at the Meeting House. Donations also can be made at the Stop and Shop in Hingham.

**Planning Ahead for the Fall Sessions of the Antiracism Drop in Book Group** — The following books have been chosen for the fall: September: *Ruin Their Crops on the Ground*, by Andrea Freeman, October: *Why Black Men Nod to Each Other*, by Bill Raynor, and November: *White Evangelical Racism*, by Anthea Butler. This group meets on the third Sunday of each month, at 7 p.m. on Zoom. We will share more information about each book as we begin the church year, but we wanted to let everyone know the books in case anyone is looking for summer reading!

**Thanks from the PCRF (Palestinian Children's Relief Fund), Team Boston** — Here is what they wrote in a recent online publication:

A heartfelt thank you to the Social Justice Council at First Parish Unitarian Universalist in Hingham, MA, also known as the Old Ship Church, for their generous support of the Palestine Children's Relief Fund (PCRF). We are deeply grateful that PCRF was chosen as the recipient of the April Special Plate/Outreach Offering. Thanks to the compassion and commitment of your congregation, a total of \$2,773.11 was raised, including a matching gift of \$1,000 from a dedicated member.



Their thoughtful invitation to join the April 27th service and speak about our mission was truly meaningful. The community's desire to support humanitarian efforts for children in Palestine runs deep and this outpouring of generosity reflects that.