

Social Justice News

Our next meeting is Saturday, October 10, at 9 a.m. on Zoom. The Zoom link is <https://us06web.zoom.us/j/82575307021?pwd=RbXAavEiSpUScskAu4WubYvugCl4MM.1>. (Passcode is 066044, if needed). Everyone is welcomed to be a member of the SJC! Just come to the meeting.

Special Event at Old Ship: Learning about Tuttleville on Sunday, October 18, at noon in the Meeting House:

Following the Civil War, African American families thrived in certain areas of Massachusetts, including Tuttleville in Hingham. The Tuttleville neighborhood, located at the corner of Ward and High Streets, became a cultural and social hub for Hingham's Black community, with families like the Tuttle and Simpson playing key roles in its history. We are honored to have two Tuttleville descendants, Joyce Barber and her daughter, Veronica Hodges, with us after church on Sunday, October 18. They will share the history of this area of Hingham so that we can learn more about our Hingham history. This promises to be a very interesting program for our community!

Special Outreach Offering for October: UU the Vote Solidarity Fund:

The UU the Vote Project has launched a special solidarity fund related to voting. The fund is seeking donations from individuals and congregations, and we have decided this would be an appropriate recipient of our outreach offering for October, especially in an election year.

The UUA website announced this new fund with these words. "Our faith calls us to act. Democracy needs us to show up. Unitarian Universalists have always understood that the right to vote is sacred, that every person's voice carries inherent worth and dignity. In 2026, that conviction is being tested. The difference between a democracy that holds and one that doesn't won't just be who shows up to vote. It will be whether the organizations doing the work on the ground have what they need to operate. That's what the UU the Vote Solidarity Fund is for. We are building resistance on the ground and democratic infrastructure, registering voters, supporting civic

participation, connecting communities to the ballot, and funding the partners who make it possible. None of it happens without sustained support. . . [With your donation] You're living our values out loud. You're helping build the partnerships, the technology, and the staying power that protecting democracy actually requires. You're answering the call our tradition has always placed on us. The time for watching is over. The time for building is now."

Donations can be made as part of the special plate collection in the Meeting House on October 4, or at anytime throughout the month through the Old Ship website. Click the donate button and then designate your donation for the Outreach Offering: Solidarity Fund. Thanks in advance for your support of this important work that puts our values out into the world.

Social Justice Drop in Book Group on Sunday, October 18, at 7 p.m. on Zoom:

This month we will be discussing *Antiracism as a Daily Practice: Refuse Shame, Change White Communities, and Help Create a Just World* by Jennifer Harvey. This book explores how we can engage in practices in our daily lives that work to eradicate racism and create a more just world. Dr. Harvey "shows how vital it is for white people to engage in and with our families, through our social networks, in our neighborhoods, and at our jobs to make antiracism a daily living commitment. We have real power in our relationships with other white people—and not enough of us have used it."

The Zoom link is

<https://us06web.zoom.us/j/87270975159?pwd=Lhb7zJzRw86k2jT9hy5LiO8iUzO8lG.1>. The passcode is 219708, if needed.

Hingham Food Pantry:

This month, we send our condolences and love to all those who work at the food pantry as they continue the work without Susan Kiernan, Executive Director and Founder of the Hingham Food Pantry. Susan passed away in September and her death is a huge loss for both the food pantry and Hingham. You can read her obituary at [OBITUARY: Susan Kiernan - Hingham Anchor](#). Susan graciously came to Old Ship most years to thank us for our support of the food pantry and to share stories of how our contributions helped feed our neighbors. This month, we especially ask you to

donate food on Sunday morning as a tribute to Susan's life and mission. Currently, the food pantry is in need of the following items: **crackers, boxes of granola bars, flavored rice and pasta side dishes, and jars of pasta sauce.** Please note that all donations need to be non-perishable, unopened and unexpired.

Unitarian Universalist Service Committee News: *What Happens When One's Temporary Protected Status (TPS) is Revoked?*

What would happen if one day, without warning, any average person in the United States was not legally allowed to work? Over a million people have reckoned with this reality under the second Trump administration, including many Haitians in the Boston area. Loss of income is just one of many extreme stressors when someone's Temporary Protected Status (TPS) is revoked. UUSC organizes our members to take action through our Resistance Network. We also collaborate with the UU Solidarity Initiative. Sign up to be notified of the latest opportunities to speak out against the termination of TPS at [Unitarian Universalist Service Committee | Sign In](#)

In the past year, the Trump Administration has terminated TPS for over a million people. In their haste, they've violated multiple laws, repeatedly landing themselves in judicial battles. The Supreme Court has ruled in favor of the administration's ability to enact these egregious terminations. But what really happens to you when your TPS is revoked? You may learn more about TPS here: [What Happens When Your Temporary Protected Status \(TPS\) is Revoked? – UUSC](#)

Green Sanctuary

SAVE THE DATE: A strong roof is necessary for installation of solar panels and HVAC via heat pumps. Three Warrant Articles for the Special Town Meeting on October 29th focus on replacing roofs at Plymouth River Elementary, South Elementary, and the High School. The Climate Action Planning Commission, which has not yet made a recommendation on future solar / HVAC installations, offers three forums about



replacing these roofs: in-person at the High School, room 103, on October 7, 7-8:30
and

via zoom on October 15 and 21 (zoom links appear below the SAVE THE DATE box on
the first page of this site:

<https://www.hinghamschools.org/page/school-building-committee>

<https://www.hingham-ma.gov/719/Current-Warrant-Articles>