



## The Unitarian - Summer 2017

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### Lay-Led Summer Services

- 9:30 a.m. in the Parish Hall unless otherwise noted; supervised childcare is provided
- [Click here for the complete list of summer services](#)
- [Directions & parking](#)

### Sunday, September 10: Multigenerational Service

Our services on September 10, at 9 and 11 a.m., will be a multigenerational water Ingathering. We will celebrate the opening of the church year with a ceremony in which we each pour a small amount of water into a common vessel. The water we bring represents a part of our summer that we are bringing into the new church year.

Whether you go on an exotic journey or vacation in your backyard, bring a small amount of water to represent your summer's spiritual journeys.

### All-Things-Summer at the First Church

[Click for your handy fridge guide to FCB in the summer.](#)

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## Welcome Back Reception & Open House, September 7

The Fellowship Committee and the Parish Board invite you to reconnect with your friends after a long summer break, meet & greet staff, officers, and new church members, and socialize at this informal gathering!

- Thursday, September 7
- 7 - 8:30 p.m. in the Parish Hall
- Appetizers and light refreshments
- Bring a bottle of wine to share
- Childcare and entertainment for young kids

### [The Pilgrim Is Back!](#)

At long last, the Pilgrim Window has been liberated from its plywood cover and its full beauty shines forth! After many months of careful consideration by an engineer and consultants and a few snafus, a specially-designed exterior (storm) window now protects the Tiffany window from potential harsh environmental conditions ... [click for more](#)



### [Registration for the children's choir is now open!](#)

The musical this year will be *The Gondoliers*, by Gilbert and Sullivan.



### Sandy Island Registration is Open: September 15 - 17

The Fellowship Committee invites you to join us for the popular First Church Sandy Island Retreat. This is a wonderful opportunity to kick back, relax, and meet new and old friends after a long summer. Sandy Island offers recreational opportunities for people of all interests

and ages.

Information and the registration link are online: [uubelmont.org/sandy-island-church-retreat/](http://uubelmont.org/sandy-island-church-retreat/)  
Questions? Contact Ariane Frank and Martin Plass at [fellowship@uubelmont.org](mailto:fellowship@uubelmont.org).

## Among Us

**Our deepest condolences to Pat Paul**, whose mother passed away the first week of July. Pat's address is 56 Gorham Road, Belmont, Mass. 02478.

## Program & Committee News in Brief

*click headline links for more*

### [Supporting Undocumented Immigrants, Refugees and Asylum Seekers at FCB](#)

First Church in Belmont has become quite active in working with asylum seekers, refugees and undocumented immigrants. Increasingly we hear questions about how we serve these communities and also what exactly do these terms mean. We hope this piece will help address these questions.

### [First Church Belmont at General Assembly 2017](#)

Lillian Anderson, Ian Garvie, Sana Saeed, Cam Anderson and Andrea Spencer-Linzie, attended the UUA General Assembly in New Orleans in June, representing the youth program, music, adult programs and ministry.

### [Social Action News: The Vagina Monologues by Eve Ensler](#)

The Social Action Committee, V-Day Belmont and Haley House Bakery Café are working together to produce our first ever presentation of The Vagina Monologues by Eve Ensler.

- August 16 & 17 at 7:30 p.m.
- Haley House Bakery Café, 12 Dade Street, Roxbury

### **Belmont UU Alliance Wednesday Lunch and Program Calendar for Fall 2017**

- September 20 - Concord River Cruise & Lunch
- October 18 - Armenian Museum of America in Watertown
- November 15 - Belmont Animal Control Officer, John Maguranis
- December 20 - Rev. Doris Hunter, "UU's and Interfaith Initiatives"

[The complete calendar of church events](#)

[All committees & programs at The First Church](#)

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## Connect with UU actions, events & resources

- [Unitarian Universalist Association, uua.org](http://Unitarian Universalist Association, uua.org)
- [UU Service Committee, uusc.org](http://UU Service Committee, uusc.org)
- [UU United Nations Office, uua.org/international/un](http://UU United Nations Office, uua.org/international/un)
- [UU Urban Ministry, uuum.org](http://UU Urban Ministry, uuum.org)

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## Parish Board

Information and board minutes are online at [uubelmont.org/parish-board](http://uubelmont.org/parish-board).

## Contact Us

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Summer office hours, through August 28:  
Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday, 9 - 2

The church office will be closed August 7 - 18.

**Next issue: Friday, September 1**

Please send your announcements, news, events, and other submissions to [office@uubelmont.org](mailto:office@uubelmont.org) by noon on Wednesday, August 30. Items may be edited for space and clarity.

[uubelmont.org/the\\_unitarian](http://uubelmont.org/the_unitarian)



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