

***This month's theme is  
TRANSFORMATION***

***First Parish in Malden,  
Universalist***

**Mission Statement** | Worship is what we do when we gather together, take risks for justice, embrace difference, and give back. Worship is what we do. This is what it looks like.



# ***Teaching Life***

February 23, 2025

*Sign up for our  
weekly  
newsletter*



*Give to the plate  
electronically.*



*New here?  
Fill out a  
guest card.*



*Join our  
Discord server*



<b>Opening Music</b>	Ground in C minor by Henry Purcell Janna Bruene
<b>Gathering Hymn</b>	#83 Winds Be Still
<b>Opening Words</b>	Erin Murphy
<b>Lighting of the Chalice</b>	<i>"We who are alive on earth at this time have a duty, responsibility, obligation to repair this world. No matter who harmed it or how it was harmed, by virtue of the gift of miraculous life, we are ordained to be medicine, to make medicine, to choose healing and liberation, today, tomorrow, and for all the suns and moons to come." Jaiya John</i>
<b>Greeting</b>	We invite you to greet your neighbor. Take time to go over to someone you haven't met.
<b>Music</b>	
<b>Land Acknowledgement</b>	FPM is on the native land of the Massachuset, Naumkeag, Pawtucket, and Pennacook people.
<b>Our Covenant</b>	<i>We, the members of the First Parish in Malden, covenant in friendship to create together a community of respect, equality, openness, trust, and compassion. We pledge ourselves to hospitality, understanding, spiritual growth, sharing, and participation.</i>
<b>Time for All Ages</b>	
<b>Children's Recessional</b>	Be Open by Debbie Nargi-Brown
<b>Reading</b>	Excerpt from Doomsday Diaries October 7-17 by Palestinian American writer Sarah Aziza

<b>Message</b>	Rev. Elizabeth Nguyen
<b>Offering and Thanksgiving</b>	Massachusetts Immigrant and Refugee Advocacy Coalition (MIRA)
<b>Offertory Music</b>	Crystal Silence by Chick Corea #1010 We Give Thanks
<b>Joys, Concerns, and Milestones</b>	
<b>Pastoral Prayer</b>	Rev. Elizabeth Nguyen
<b>Sounding of the Bell and Time of Silence</b>	
<b>Hymn</b>	#368 Now Let Us Sing
<b>Extinguishing the Chalice</b>	<i>We extinguish this flame, but not the light of truth, The warmth of community, or the fire of commitment. These we carry in our hearts until we meet again.</i>
<b>Our Story</b>	Cody Lazri
<b>Benediction</b>	Rev. Elizabeth Nguyen
<b>Postlude</b>	Rigaudon by Edvard Grieg

*Join us for coffee hour in Durgin Hall after the service.*



**For all announcements, see the newsletter for more details!**  
To share an announcement, please email it to [admin@fpmalden.org](mailto:admin@fpmalden.org).

**Rev. Otto is on leave** through March 10th. Please see the newsletter for details about Pastoral Care during that time. Please reach out to Rev. Aisha for pastoral care the week of Feb 24-Mar 2.

Coffee hour is volunteer-run! The church buys the coffee, but volunteers brew it, provide snacks, and clean up. **We need more volunteers**, especially on 3/23, 3/30, 4/20, and 5/25. Email [erik.fearing@gmail.com](mailto:erik.fearing@gmail.com) or message the #brew-crew Discord channel.

Join the FP Malden CUUPs chapter for our **first Pagan Potluck** on Friday 2/28 at 7pm. These dinners will be held the 4th Friday of the month. The feasts will be a time for worship, conversation, community building, and learning! Contact Rachael Gorton with any questions.

**Beautiful Lotus in a Sea of Fire Meditation Group:** Join Rev. Ralph's meditation group on Wednesdays from 7-8:30 in the library or on Zoom.

Save the date for the ordination of **Martha Durkee-Neuman to the ministry on Saturday, March 29th at 1:00pm!** The ceremony and reception will take place at the First Parish in Malden.

Want to **follow along** with the screenshare or captions on your phone? Join the Zoom meeting: Meeting ID: 818 4834 7923; Passcode: 263883

<b>Minister</b>	Rev. Otto Concannon
<b>Community Ministers</b>	Rev. Aisha Ansano; Rev. Ralph Galen; Rev. Elizabeth Nguyen
<b>Music Director</b>	Soren Austenfeld
<b>Director of Religious Education</b>	Sara Krakauer
<b>Office Administrator</b>	Ran Courant-Morgan
<b>Facilities Manager</b>	Richard Smith

