

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.



Drag Easter

April 5, 2026

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Prelude	<i>Allegro in A Major, G. F. Handel, Janna Bruene</i>
Gathering Hymn	Rooted in Fertile Ground, Amanda Udis-Kessler
Opening Words	Karen Uminski
Lighting of the Chalice	<p>We light our chalice in the spirit of Transformation. Nothing stays the same. Everything moving. Shifting. Changing. Guide us all to a Wild and Holy vision of our shared humanity.</p> <p><i>A Wild and Holy Vision by Shawn Gibson</i></p>
Greeting	We invite you to greet your neighbor. Take time to go over to someone you haven't met.
Hymn	Jesus Was A Drag Queen, Melody Walker & Mercy Bell
Our Covenant	<i>As a community, we promise to celebrate, care for, and challenge our true and imperfect selves. Together, we will show love for each other and the greater world through our words, actions, and traditions.</i>
Time for All Ages	Just JP
Children's Recessional	Be Open, by Debbie Nargi-Brown
Reading	Karen Uminski

Hymn	We Are Setting the Rainbow Table, Amanda Udis-Kessler
Message	Rev. Otto Concannon
Offering and Thanksgiving	Pink Haven
Offertory Music	Let This Be My Prayer, Adrienne Jones #1010 We Give Thanks
Stewardship Moment	Alexa Reed
Joys, Concerns, and Milestones	
Pastoral Prayer	Rev. Otto Concannon
Sounding of the Bell and Time of Silence	
Closing Hymn	#61, Lo, The Earth Awakes Again
Extinguishing the Chalice	<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>
Our Story	Ingrid Schneider
Benediction	Rev. Otto Concannon
Postlude	Hallelujah Chorus, G.F. Handel

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.

Our **Pledge Drive** begins today! If we can get to \$50k in pledges by April 19, we will have a raffle!

We're starting a **monthly dinner church!** On Wednesday, April 22nd and May 27th at 6pm, join Rev. Aisha in the social hall for a worship service full of conversation, community, and of course, food!

There will be continued conversation about the book **Social Change Now** and how we can apply it in our church. We will have conversation on 3/29, 5/3, & 5/31. All are welcome for all or some of the conversations.

Register by April 10th for our **Ferry Beach Retreat** April 24-26th! We will have a few hour long slots for workshops. We'd love to have folks share their skills and joys with us. Please share your workshop proposal with us!

Join Rev. Otto and other Church friends at Tous Les Jours for casual discussion and connection on Monday April 27. Come late/leave early.

Parents and caregivers of little ones~ we've created a **whatsapp group** for sharing relevant community events, programming ideas, meet ups, advice, & building community. Join at [tinyurl.com/FPMaldenparentsgroup](https://www.tinyurl.com/FPMaldenparentsgroup)

Our First Parish **Board Meetings are open to everyone!** Join us for the next one from 7-9pm on April 9th. Get the Zoom access info in our newsletter.

Are you interested in **becoming a member** of First Parish? Join Rev. Otto in the library on April 12th after the service to learn what it means to be a member of First Parish.

The **nominating committee** seeks to fill positions for next church year: board member, nominating committee member, moderator & treasurer. For questions or more info, reach out to board@fpmalden.org.

Join us to play **Magic: the Gathering** every 2nd & 4th Monday of the month from 6-9pm in the library. Premade decks will be available.

Join us Fridays to watch an **episode of Andor** at 7:30 in the Library.

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

Choir and band meet weekly on Tuesdays! All are encouraged and welcome to join, even if you can't attend all rehearsals.

Register your child(ren) for **Religious Education:**
<https://tinyurl.com/FPMaldenREReg25>

Want to **follow along** with the screenshare or captions on your phone? Join the Zoom meeting: Meeting ID: 823 0326 7404; Passcode: 574444

