

# United Voices Update



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## AT A GLANCE...

### UNITED EVENTS

- **JAZZ BRUNCH**  
Sunday, Sept 14 & 21 on the lawn, after worship.
- **HERITAGE SUNDAY**  
Sunday, Sept 21, special coffee hour after worship.
- **CONGREGATIONAL MEETING**  
Sunday, Sept 28, following worship. Lunch provided.
- **FALL CLEAN-UP DAY**  
Saturday, Oct 18 All church work day
- **ADULT BIBLE STUDY**  
Friday mornings at 10:00 a.m. Small Parlor

**SAVE THE DATE!**  
**CONGREGATIONAL MEETING**  
**SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 28, 2008,**  
following worship  
Lunch Provided



Important discussion regarding potential proposals for our next steps in the building discernment process.

### OUR PASTOR'S SCHEDULE

Terry Fitzgerald is usually at the church Tuesday through Friday. She is also available evenings and Saturdays for appointments as needed. Monday is her day off. Her home phone number is 508-753-5867, e-mail: [tfitz47@charter.net](mailto:tfitz47@charter.net).

Please feel free to contact the Pastoral Relations Committee if you have any concerns, suggestions, or affirmations. Members of the Pastoral Relations Committee for the Rev. Dr. Terry Fitzgerald are:

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|---------------|------------------|
| Ray Gaspari   | Marcus McCorison |
| Peg Manoogian | Stacey Mott      |

**If you need to contact the church on Sunday morning**, you may now leave a message on the church answering machine. Follow the instructions contained in the greeting to leave a message. The Sunday Host, Ed Bourgault, will be checking for messages frequently on Sunday mornings.

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### JAZZ Brunch — Sundays in September Music Festival



Come and enjoy the weather, the music, and the food (rain or shine) on the lawn at United, immediately following worship until 12:30 p.m.

September 14 Rich Falco's "Ten String Swing"  
September 21 WPI Stage Band

FREE Everyone is invited!!

### HERITAGE SUNDAY SEPTEMBER 21

Join us for a special coffee hour as we celebrate the rich history of our church and its members.

### COFFEE HOUR HOSTS



Our coffee hour hosts provide us with goodies, coffee, and juice to enjoy while we talk with old friends and make new ones after worship.

We are looking for volunteer teams to host coffee hour. A schedule is prepared for a few months at a time. Call the church office if you are interested in signing up or for more information.

**COFFEE HOUR IS PAID FOR BY YOUR DONATIONS.  
THANK YOU FOR CONTRIBUTING TO THE BASKET  
AS YOU ARE ABLE.**

### FALL CLEAN-UP DAY – SATURDAY, OCT. 18 All Church Work Day

We are renting a dumpster and would like to clean out all the nooks and crannies, with emphasis on the basement. Come join fellow members and friends for as long as you can.



FRIDAYS 10:00 a.m.

# Bible Study

Small Parlor

## CONCERT – OCTOBER 19 POMMERN VILLAGE CHOIR

On Sunday, October 19, at 4:30 p.m., United will host a concert given by the Pommern Village Choir from Tanzania. The choir is composed of amateur musicians who sing with energy and enthusiasm and are eager to meet new people. Refreshments will be served. Mark your calendars now – and look for more details soon!



**All Are Invited To  
THE SERVICE OF ORDINATION FOR  
JUDY HANLON  
September 14, at 4 p.m.  
Salem Covenant Church  
215 Mountain St., East, Worcester**

The  
**GREEN ROOSTER CoffeeHouse**  
Doors open 7:30 All shows 8:00 p.m.



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| <b>Oct 4</b>   | <b>Cormac McCarthy</b> |
| <b>Oct 25</b>  | <b>Aztec Two-Step</b>  |
| <i>Thanks for dropping in! We always need volunteers</i> |                        |

## THE SECOND WEDNESDAY BOOK GROUP ALL ARE WELCOME!!



We welcome new members, and we would be happy to have former members rejoin us, as we miss your lively input. Come for just one discussion or several. This is a very informal group. Meetings are at 7:30 p.m. Look for information on the next meeting coming soon.

**EVERETT AND JANICE WILCOX  
50<sup>th</sup> WEDDING ANNIVERSARY  
SUNDAY, OCTOBER 5 2:00 – 4:00 p.m.  
FIRST CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH, UCC  
TATNUCK SQ, WORCESTER  
RSVP BY 9/25/08 TO MARILYN 508-798-2337**

## SECOND SUNDAY HEALING SERVICE

In accord with one of our most ancient of Christian traditions, the Diaconate would like to offer Healing Services on a regular basis. Immediately following worship on the second Sunday of the month, the pastor and a Deacon will be available to anoint and offer a brief prayer for those of you who would like to receive this healing blessing. It is our desire as pastor and as Deacons to provide for your spiritual needs.

VNA CARE HOSPICE

## FALL 2008 GRIEF SUPPORT GROUP

A general support group for adults who are coping with the death of a loved one.

**When:** Alternate Tuesday evenings beginning September 23, for seven meetings (dates below)  
**Time:** 6:00 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.  
**Location:** United



**September 23 November 4 & 18  
October 7 & 21 December 2 & 16**

There is no fee for participating.  
New members are accepted up until the 2<sup>nd</sup> or 3<sup>rd</sup> meeting.

For information please call Susan Tarantino,  
Bereavement Coordinator at 800-521-5539 ext. 5624  
or email [starantino@vnacarenetwork.org](mailto:starantino@vnacarenetwork.org).

## MESSAGE FROM WORCESTER PEACE WORKS

For those who would like to learn more and/or express an opinion, Worcester Peace Works has sent some information to the church regarding a US Army recruiting event. The multimedia show, the "Spirit of America," was presented at the DCU Center several years ago – an event to which school children were bused. A promise to bus children to an alternative show about the history of peace movements in the US was not honored at that time. The same multimedia show is returning to Worcester on Sept. 19 and 20 at which there will be some demonstrations outside the event (the 19<sup>th</sup> at 9:30 and the 20<sup>th</sup> at 1:30).

As a Just Peace (Peace with Justice) UCC church, we are providing this information so that you can take action if you desire, or seek further information if you have questions or comments. Richard Schmitt sent the email on behalf of Worcester Peace Works and other Worcester Supporters of Peace. His email is richard\_schmitt@charter.net.

## A LETTER OF THANKS

To All at UCC,

*We wish to thank everyone for all their support and love during this difficult time in our lives, the loss of our beloved, Kyle Thomas. We would have given up if it weren't for you.*

*We want to thank everyone for their cards, phone calls and contributions.*

*We especially want to thank Terry and Connie for all their support.*

*With much thanks, gratitude and love,*

*Dan, Cheryl and Bryce Gavin*

*Tom Sweeney and family*

## THE FOOD CUPBOARD NEEDS:

✓✓✓ PEANUT BUTTER ✓✓✓  
MAC & CHEESE • PASTA & SAUCE  
CEREAL • POWDERED MILK  
SOUPS • CANNED FRUITS & VEGGIES

