

FRIDAY, MAY 27^{TH} , 2022

Our Renovation in Progress! captions: Jon Andersen-Miller, Chair, Restoration Committee



Wood stripping at pediment cornice — old growth timbers still intact!



And then getting a coat of primer. They'll have a finish coat of "brownstone" brown to blend back in, possibly with stone dust mixed in for texture.



Stone being removed and taken to the mason's stone yard for recycling as "dutchmen" for front facade and stairs



Stripping/painting/glazing of upper Tiffanys

Dearly Beloved,

There are a lot of words following the murder of 19 children and their two fourth-grade teachers in Uvalde Texas. But the silence is louder than the words — the silence of the dead, and the silence on the part of those complicit in making AR-15 rifles so easily — even casually — accessible to anyone who wants one. I know we have to continue to give voice to our grief and our outrage, to work to help elect candidates across the country who support gun law reform, and to fund organizations working to end gun violence (I give to Sandy Hook Promise. And how could this senseless madness not have ended there?). For those of you who feel that none of these things is enough, I hear you, I agree, and I invite you to join me in praying for a miracle. Organizer and activist Mother Jones said, "Pray for the dead and fight like hell for the living."

This Sunday, our beloved community minister, Erica Rose Long, who serves as the Unitarian Universalist chaplain at Massachusetts General Hospital, will be preaching. Her sermon is called *Burning Out*. Mezzo-soprano Bek Zehr and pianist Cheng Cheng will be making the music: Katie Pruitt's *Searching For The Truth*, Christina Perri and David Hodges' *I Believe*, some Mendelssohn, and much more! The service concludes with everyone joining in for Bill Withers' *Lean On Me!*

Another reminder that on June 5th — just a week away! — we'll be kicking off Boston Pride in our Sunday morning service with Higher Love: A Celebration of Pride. The service will be followed by a BYO picnic in the Public Garden. Please invite everyone to this new iteration of our traditional pre-parade service! All are welcome!

Memorial Day was established to mourn the members of our military who died in service to our country. In the midst of celebrating the Monday holiday, please join me in taking a moment to remember, and to give thanks. Enjoy the weekend!

Faithfully yours, with love, Kim

p.s. Here is the Slate of Candidates for Election at the June 12, 2022 Annual Meeting of the Corporation, as presented by the 2021-22 Nominating Committee: Al Ingram (Chair), Deb Pontes, Philip Roberts, Karen Tausch, and Gaby Whitehouse. *Thank you, Nom Com!*

Prudential Committee
Alan Kemp
Rachel Corey
Bob Sessions
Sandy Dixon (for the two-year term to fill out an unexpired term)

Corporation Officers

Co-Moderators: Gaby Whitehouse and Tom Anderson

Clerk: Doc Kinney Treasurer: Liz Teixeira

UU Urban Ministry
Jon Ellertson
Julia Simon
Rev. George Whitehouse

Nominating Committee
Deb Pontes, Chair
Philip Roberts
Gaby Whitehouse
Darrell Waters
Sarah Cooleybeck

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