

THURSDAY, APRIL 29TH, 2021



Dear Ones,

Here comes May!

How much fun did we have last Saturday night?! So many thanks to Tina Rose, who stepped up to lead Nuns'n'Fun with the Sisters of Perpetual Indulgence and her awesome Arlington Street team: Abi Harper, Audrea & Sarah Madey, Art Nava & Rich Abreu, Barbara Gindhart, Bob Sessions, Jayson Uppal ... *and* our lovely hosts, Sister Lida Christ, Sister Tori D'Affair, and Brother Gary Cruter! Thanks, too, to each of you who played hard and spent big! And how fabulous to make such a flying leap of a start on funding our dream of a Tech Fund — the Sisters said, "Holy smoke!" Both the fun-raising and fundraising were a wild success!

The good times continue this Saturday night at Encore, the Boston Gay Men's Chorus annual gala, which will be livecast from the Regent Theater! The party gets started at 7:00; there will be a live auction, storytelling by BGMC members, and diverse entertainment, including special guest The Boy Band Project. This year's theme is Derby — a hat competition will round out the evening!

Watch this <u>video promo</u> and get your <u>tickets online!</u>



This Sunday morning, Yulia Yun opens the service with *Every Drop is a Waterfall, Way Over Yonder*, and *Learning to Fly.* Hana Omori sings *I Know This Rose Will Open*; Rev. Joanna Lubkin sings *Lessons of the Heart*; Daniel Rosensweig sings *Miner's Tomorrow*, and Director of Music Mark David Buckles sings *Peace Like a River, Don't Be Afraid*, and *Lean on Me.* Darrell Waters is our worship coordinator. What a joy to welcome to our high pulpit Ali Jablonsky, a chaplain at Tufts Medical Center and one of our affiliated community minsters. Ali's sermon is called Embracing the Big Blue Blob. Yulia closes the service playing *May It Be* from *The Lord of the Rings* on the organ!

At our Wednesday tea party last week, we talked about what we can't imagine living without — an especially evocative prompt after more than a year of living without so much we love. Here are some of our responses: the moon; a cozy scarf; dry socks; good pens; the opportunity to dive into fresh water; trees; curiosity; something or someone to believe in — a mission, a true north; pinot noir and shrimp scampi; Zoom; people we love — family and friends; dogs and cats; optimism; tea; the idea of possibility; music; chocolate; a sense of purpose; my sewing machine; Moleskine notebooks; YouTube; each other; colors, paintings, art around me and to wear: pretty things; men; California dominoes; gardening; costumes; nice soap; crossword puzzles; cultures and their cuisines — the role food plays in families and celebrations; words (hearing, speaking, reading); making music together; a sense of humor ... and all of you!

Faithfully yours, with love, Kim

Unitarian Universalist General Assembly (fondly referred to as "GA") is a wonderful opportunity to connect with Unitarian Universalists from across the country. This annual gathering, entirely virtual this year between June 23rd and 27th, features worship, workshops, and lectures on all things UU. If you're curious, Ksenia and Philip will be co-hosting Breakout Room #2 a week from Sunday (May 9th) to share their past GA experiences with you and answer your questions. The Nominating Committee (office@ASCBoston.org) is seeking five Arlington Street members to be our official delegates, but all are welcome to attend!

PICK YOUR QUARANTINE HOUSE

YOU CAN ONLY CHOOSE ONE

HOUSE 1 Netflix Weighted Blanket Pantry Full of Snacks HOUSE 2 Porch Swing Fishing Pond Fire Pit

HOUSE 3 View of the Beach Home Gym Tacos & Margaritas HOUSE 4 Library Home Theater Hot Tub

HOUSE 5 Mountain View Garden & Hammock Hiking Trails HOUSE 6 Swimming Pool Rooftop Deck Outdoor Fireplace