

***This month's theme is
EQUITY***

***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.



***Empathy as
Resistance***

April 13, 2025

*Join our
newsletter*



*Give to the plate
electronically.*



*New here?
Fill out a
guest card.*



*Join our
Discord server*



Prelude	Spring by Remi Bouchard
Hymn	#188 Come, Come, Whoever You Are
Opening Words	Erika Claire Kuttner
Lighting of the Chalice	
Greeting	We invite you to greet your neighbor. Take time to go over to someone you haven't met.
Land Acknowledgement	FPM is on the native land of the Massachuset, Naumkeag, Pawtucket, and Pennacook people.
Our Covenant	<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>
Hymn	All Glory, Laud, and Honor
Child Dedication	Erikson Kuttner
Children's Recessional	Be Open by Debbie Nargi-Brown
Reading	We have not come here to take prisoners <i>by Hafiz</i>

Hymn #1053 How Could Anyone

Message Rev. Otto Concannon

**Offering and
Thanksgiving** Bread of Life

Offertory Music Nuit by Claude Allaire
#1010 We Give Thanks

**Joys, Concerns,
and Milestones**

Pastoral Prayer Rev. Otto Concannon

**Sounding of the Bell
and Time of Silence**

Hymn We Will Carry Each Other

**Extinguishing the
Chalice** *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.*

Our Story Cody Lazri

Benediction Rev. Otto Concannon

Postlude Prelude in G Major by 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 annual pledge drive is over and we raised more than we've ever raised in a pledge drive before. To celebrate, Abi Harper's band will play **a concert in the sanctuary** following worship!

We are thrilled to welcome Ashley Mulcare as our **Ministerial Intern** beginning in September 2025. Ashley will intern with us through spring 2027. See the newsletter for more details.

Seeking volunteers and paid staff in RE! We have volunteer opportunities for next church year & during CUUSP Week in August. We are also hiring paid staff for both RE next year and CUUSP Week..

Are you **interested in becoming a member** of First Parish? Join Rev. Otto in the library on April 14th or online on May 1st to learn what it means to be a member of First Parish. Questions? Email Rev. Otto.

Rev. Otto is holding office hours again from 4-6p on April 28. Meet Rev. Otto and others for coffee and conversation (on the minister) at Tous Les Jours. All are welcome.

We'll have a potluck **Passover Seder at First Parish** on April 13th at 4pm! There will be singing, discussion, & activities for kids. To RSVP & get more info, visit tinyurl.com/passovermalden25

Last year, we had an epic **cooperative Easter egg hunt** for our children, involving teamwork, creativity, and puzzle solving. To help with this year's hunt, email Sara@fpmalden.org.

Mark your calendar for the **annual meeting** on Sunday, May 4th. This is your chance to exercise our democratic process! We'll be voting on the budget and new board members.

Mystery Friends is back! Through this program, children and adults get to know each other by exchanging either letters or drawings. Please send questions to melissa.s.rifkin@gmail.com

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.

Want to **follow along** with the screenshare or captions on your phone? Join the Zoom meeting: Meeting ID: 857 1617 9460; Passcode: 635313

