



The Chimes

October Newsletter 2019

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All are Welcome to our Services, Events and Meetups.

Service is Sundays at 10:30 am, followed by food and fellowship at an informal coffee hour. Children join us for service and there are special areas for them in the Sanctuary and Parish Hall. We are a welcoming congregation and our building is handicap accessible. Assistive listening devices are available during service.

Please sign up to help with hospitality.

All who attend coffee hour are asked to bring a 'finger food' to share, if possible. Volunteers for setup and cleanup are needed; you do not have to do both on the same day. We ask that you choose a Sunday when you can help make our coffee hour run smoothly and sign up on the sheet in the Parish Hall. Please speak to Joe Maloney if you have any questions.

October Sunday Services

October's theme: What does it mean to be a people of belonging?

October 6 - "Chiaroscuro of the Soul" with Rev. Alix Klingenberg

Guest Minister Rev. Alix Klingenberg will lead a service exploring the interplay of shadow and light within each of us. How might embracing our shadow selves allow us to belong to each other and to ourselves? Rev. Alix Klingenberg is an

entrepreneurial UU minister, writer, and spiritual director. She lives in Medford, MA with her husband, son, and 2 black cats. She writes a blog called Highly Sensitive Extrovert and uses creativity & archetypes to connect to community and the divine.

October 13 - "Companioning" with Rev. Joanna Lubkin

Have there been moments in your life where another person saw you when you felt invisible, who offered their companionship and support in ways they might not even realize? In this week's service, we'll explore the incredible impact seeing and acknowledging each other can have on our spirits.

October 20 - "A Seat at the Table" with Rev. Joanna Lubkin

There's a difference between "all are welcome" and "this was created with you in mind." The late UU musician, Herb Tyson, wrote lyrics that say, "Our doors are open, and our hearts are too. Whoever you are, we've been expecting you." Together, we'll explore ways we can convey that sense that we've saved a place at the table for you -- whoever you are.

October 27 - A People of Belonging

This service, connecting congregant to congregant, gives us time to explore ideas of connection, community, friendship, and welcome.

A Message from the Minister

What does it mean to be a people of belonging?

This is the question that [Soul Matters](#) poses to us in October. I invite each of us to think of a time when we felt that we truly belonged somewhere, and that we were fully welcome. How did that feel? And how did we *know* we belonged? What did others say or do? What were the subtle or overt clues that others had prepared a place for you?

Belonging is the opposite of loneliness, and is one of the most important contributions of spiritual communities. Catholic social activist, Dorothy Day, summed it up perfectly when she said, "We have all known the long loneliness and we have learned that the only solution is love and that love comes with community." Together, we'll be exploring practices of welcome and hospitality for ourselves, our relationships, and our communities. I look forward to hearing your stories and your thoughts!

Rev. Joanna Lubkin

Board of Trustees

We have had a wonderful beginning to our church year! Rev Joanna Lubkin has led us in 2 inspiring services. Longtime friends of the church, Nancy and Ross Edwards, have signed the membership book, and the Yard and Craft Sale was a huge success. Thank you to all who worked tirelessly on the yard sale and to Sandra Lingley, Development Committee chair, for leading this effort.

Please welcome our new administrative assistant, Cheri Krueger, who started on September 23 as a 10 hr. per week administrative assistant. Cheri will be in the office on Mondays and Saturdays, and one Sunday a month for a few hours. She can be reached at the church phone 781-843-1388 or office email account allsoulsbraintree@gmail.com

Maggy Evans will continue to update and maintain our website, social media accounts (Facebook etc.), Chimes, weekly emails, and be the support person for the Yard Sale, Dickens Festival, and April Tea. You can reach her at ascbraintree@gmail.com

We have submitted a grant application to the Braintree Community Preservation Commission to fund some of the restoration/preservation of the exterior of our beautiful building. The committee will have a hearing at Town Hall on Monday October 21 at 5 pm. It is important that we have a good turnout of people at the hearing to show support. Please mark your calendar and attend if you can.

With warm regards, Linda Steiner and Joe Maloney

Membership News

Welcome Ross and Nancy Edwards to membership!



Thank you ALL for wearing your name tags during Sunday service. The new location of the visitor "welcome table" has gotten good feedback. Also, the front table features just ALL SOULs activities and guest name tags.

I am excited about Rev Joanna's Google knowledge so that we can keep in better contact with visitors.

A review of the membership process will be communicated soon. Remember, pledging is one way to show your commitment to our community.

Luv, Lauren McGrath
Member Chair

Book Group

The next All Souls Book Discussion Group meets Tuesday, October 1, 2019, at 7 pm in the Elliott Room.

For our October gathering, we have chosen to read and discuss Michelle Obama's memoir, Becoming, "an intimate, powerful, and inspiring memoir by the former First Lady of the United States. #1 NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLER • OPRAH'S BOOK CLUB PICK • NAACP IMAGE AWARD WINNER"

The November book selection is The Wright Brothers, by David McCullough. "The #1 New York Times bestseller from David McCullough, two-time winner of the Pulitzer Prize—the dramatic story-behind-the-story about the courageous brothers who taught the world how to fly—Wilbur and Orville Wright."

We will meet to discuss this on Tuesday, November 5 at 7 pm.
<https://www.amazon.com/Wright-Brothers-David-McCullough-ebook/dp/B00LD1RWP6>

All are welcome to join us for light snacks and conversation.
 Mary Mitchell for the Book Discussion Group

Braintree Folk at All Souls Church Coffeehouse

Braintree Folk
 Saturday, October 5, 2019
 All Souls Church Coffeehouse
 196 Elm St, Braintree MA
 Doors Open 7:00 ~ Show 7:30 pm
 More Info (781) 864-7743
 Tickets: \$15 in advance; \$20 at Door
 Tickets Available at
<https://www.brownpapertickets.com/event/4312960>
www.braintreefolk.org/

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A multitude of instruments, gypsy jazz, swing, world-beat grooves, original tunes, quirky storytelling and a huge sense of humor!

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A gifted composer, guitarist, and singer who shifts easily between '50's-style country pop, sprite folk tunes, acoustic swing, and torchy blues ballads.

Just \$15 in advance plus a small processing fee guarantees your seat. \$20 at the door if available. Buy tickets online through our website at <https://www.allsoulsbraintreechurch.org/braintreefolk.html>

Social Action/Environmental Committee

The Social Action and Environmental Committee (SAEC) meets the 2nd Tuesday of each month at 7:15 pm in the Elliott Room. These are open meetings. If someone informs me they plan to attend, I can send them an agenda. The October meeting will be on the 8th and we'll be discussing the UUA Statement of Conscience, which I'll be happy to send to anyone interested. George Goss, Chair SAEC, 781-769-6574, Agdgs@aol.com.

Braintree Community Food Pantry continues to seek donations of household items such as laundry detergent, dish detergent, hand soap, toothpaste, and dish scrubbing sponges. Donations can be brought into church and Andy Pearce will get the items to the pantry. Please label for food pantry. They are grateful for your donations ... and sent this thank you for your continued support.



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781-277-1609

Email: pantrydirector@comcast.net

www.braintreefoodpantry.org

Tax Exempt EN 043-466-961

September 7, 2019

RE: Donation Non-perishables

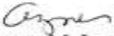
Dear Friends

On behalf of the Braintree Community Food Pantry, we appreciate your continued support of the pantry.

It is only through support like yours that the Braintree Community Food Pantry can continue its mission to see that no family in Braintree goes hungry. Thank you again.

Your support has been a blessing.

Serving the Community,


Agnes M. Lynch
Food Pantry Director

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Children's Program

Trunk or Treat on Thursday, October 31 from 4:30 to 7:30 pm in the parking lot of All Souls Church.

More details to come.

This event is being organized by Kevin and Danielle McKenna

All Souls Writing Group

All Souls Writing group will meet October 30, 2019 at 4 pm in the Elliott Room

As fall approaches, our topic for October will be Climate Change.

We are meeting the day before Halloween, an unusual holiday brought to these shores from Europe by the earliest settlers. It has undergone many changes over the centuries from its Celtic origin around 2,000 years ago, in an agrarian culture. For those people, it marked the end of a cycle, the end of long summer days and the predictable onset of cold winter.

Today, we face the inconsistency of the ever-increasing effects of climate change. While we look for the beauty in each of our seasons, we are now aware of how fragile our ravaged planet has become. We face changes that will alter our entire earth, not just seasonally, but ceaselessly.

What should we do and how? Diane Doucette

Development Committee

All Souls Church held the annual Craft and Yard Sale on Saturday, September 21. It was a beautiful day - a little warm but no rain. It takes many dedicated church members and friends giving their time, energy and support to make this event happen and be successful. Many of the vendors again mentioned this year how nice and helpful everyone from the church was and how well everything was organized.

Mary Mitchell and Tom Bularzik led the way in organizing and helping with almost every aspect of the event, including flyers, pricing, vendor packages, carrying & lifting, etc. Roger Hatch and Joe Maloney organized the food sales making sure anyone who wanted a sandwich, beverage, chips or an apple were all well fed. Kathy & Andy, Ross & Nancy, Maryann & Janet, Sal & Mike, Daniela & David, Mark & Linda, John & Judy, Kenny, Kevin, Jane, Diana, Maureen, Linda.... and the list of all the people that helped goes on and on. Whether you were at the planning meetings and/or pricing and/or sandwich making and/or setting up and/or selling and/or cleaning up, etc., your help was, as always, appreciated.

Thank you to Maggy Evans for all of the work she did to make the Craft and Yard Sale so successful. The high vendor turnout is again the result of her great work with social media, advertising, fielding calls and making sure that we follow up with people.

The next planning meeting will be in January. Our focus over the next two months will be on the annual Dickens Festival Victorian Craft Fair.

Sandra Lingley Chair, Development Committee

Community Social Pot Luck Supper

' It was a dark and stormy night ' ...

Our next Community Social Pot Luck Supper will be Saturday, October 26 at 6 pm. For this October supper, we will have a story telling theme ... A story will be started by someone and each person can continue the story. Food will be harvest and autumn themed - please keep that in mind when you bring your dishes to share.

All are welcome!

The Dickens Festival Holiday Craft Fair

The Dickens Festival is Saturday, November 23, 2019, from 10 to 3. This annual holiday craft fair at All Souls is a unique and unusual entertainment and shopping experience – and our biggest fundraiser of the year.

Great Expectations

This coming November All Souls Church will be celebrating the 25th Anniversary of our Dickens Festival. For the previous 17 years, Rick Anderson and Don Swanson volunteered their time and efforts on "Attic Treasures". Thank you, Rick and Don.

Joyce Albrecht and Kevin Driscoll volunteered to begin a new Dickens Festival tradition that we will be calling "Great Expectations"; the gift donations are all meant to benefit our returning customers and All Souls Church.

Below are the contribution guidelines:

We are asking for high quality pieces; items that you yourself might want to purchase as an attendee at the Dickens Festival. Objects that are new and in their original packing would be nice.

Typical donations would include:

Jewelry, lamps, statues, appliances, computer technology, unique vases, candles, candle holders and holiday decorations.

While we will process all donations, we expect some to be saved for next year's Annual Yard Sale or to be recycled.

Joyce and Kevin will be doing the pricing the week before The Dickens Festival and we thank you in advance for your donations and support.

Please note: All clothing, shoes, coats, DVDs, CDs or tapes or books will be recycled, exceptions will be made for First Edition books.

Sincerely,
Joyce Albrecht & Kevin Driscoll

Happy Autumn! We are one month away from celebrating our silver anniversary of the Dickens Festival.

Photos, previous programs and memories, preferably from 1994-2010, are still being collected towards our Dickens Festival silver anniversary web page. You may contact Maggy at ascbraintree@gmail.com for any submissions or questions. Thank you very much to everyone who has stepped into a leadership position and they could use your support through donations, helping on scheduled activity days and on the day of the festival itself.

Please find below a list of activity days and keep an eye out for upcoming additional communication.

The next planning meeting is Sunday, November 3 at 12 noon and you may contact the Dickens Festival Coordinator, Joseph Maloney for any questions.

Thank you very much, Joe

Dickens Festival Schedule

Saturday, October 26 and Sunday, October 27-people can start donating turkeys

Sunday, November 3- Dickens Planning Meeting at 12 noon

Saturday, November 16- decorating the church for the festival beginning at 2 pm until finish. Snacks will be provided.

Drop off and pricing of donations for Great Expectations TBA

Wednesday, November 20- cooking of the turkeys beginning at 10 am

Thursday, November 21- making and baking of pies beginning at approximately 9 am

Friday, November 22- set up of Parish Hall in the evening-time TBA
drop off of bake table donations until 7 pm
cutting and carving of turkeys beginning at 12 noon and making stuffing
Artisan set up in sanctuary- 5 to 9 pm

Leadership for above schedule-

Kitchen: Tom Bularzik and/or Roger Hatch

Bake table: Kathy Pearce

Great Expectations: Joyce Albrecht & Kevin Driscoll

Artisan setup in sanctuary: Mary Mitchell

Pie making and baking: Ross Edwards

Church decorating: Joe Maloney

Please contact Joe Maloney with any questions.

NOTE: All Artisan Spaces have been reserved. Waitlist is open.

Dickens Sponsorships

In addition to the excitement on the day of the Dickens Festival, an important part of the financial success of the event rests on the sponsorships that are donated by local merchants, service-providers and individuals. These donors are acknowledged with advertising space in the Dickens Program book and may be included in the slide show in the Artisan’s Marketplace throughout the day. We need your help to make this year’s program book the most successful ever!

This month, please consider inviting the professionals you encounter in your life, such as your dentist, hair stylist, lawyer or insurance agent, to become a Dickens sponsor. They can participate with a donation as small as \$25. You may want to make a donation yourself as a Dickens Anniversary Patron.

Here are the festival marketing documents you will need to help explain what this invitation is about. All donations need to be finalized by October 30 so the program can go to press. Please get in touch with Mary Mitchell if you have any questions or suggestions about this.

(Print from here or links are on the [Dickens page of our website](#), or request printed copies from [Mary](#).)



The Dickens Festival at All Souls Church 196 Elm Street, Braintree, MA Saturday November 23, 2019, 10 am to 3 pm

To become a sponsor of the Dickens Festival:

- Indicate below the level at which you would like to participate
- Make your check payable to "All Souls Church"
- Mail your check and this form to:
ALL SOULS CHURCH OF BRAintree P.O. Box 850219 Braintree, MA 02185-0219
- Forward the camera-ready copy or business card you would like printed in the program book to asc@braintree@gmail.com **Check HERE** to use your ad copy from last year. Business Cards and Ads to be scanned can be mailed to the PO Box shown above. All ad copy must be received by Wednesday, October 30, 2019.
- Finished program booklet is 5.5 x 8.5 inches. [You can also reserve your ad space by calling the office at 781-849-3388 or email us at \[asc@braintree@gmail.com\]\(mailto:asc@braintree@gmail.com\)](#)

There will be a Dickens Festival page on our website acknowledging sponsorships. We will also post on social media and in our newsletters. Please let us know if you do NOT want your sponsorship announced.

2019 Dickens Festival Sponsorship Levels

SOLD Full outside-book cover (cardstock) or color-6500-

- ___ Full inner page, 8 & W: \$225 or
___ Donation of raffle prize valued at \$250 or more
- ___ 2/3 inner page, 8 & W: \$150 or
___ Donation of raffle prize valued at \$175 or more
- ___ 1/3 inner page, 8 & W: \$75 or
(Your business card can be enlarged to fit the 1/3 page space.)
___ Donation of raffle prize valued at \$100 or more

___ 2 line holiday greetings text: \$25
(Company name/personal name plus short greeting message.)
(4-6 words per line)

___ 4 line holiday greetings text: \$50
(Company name/personal name plus short greeting message.)
(4-6 words per line)

- Your ad projected as part of the Artisans' Marketplace slideshow throughout the day:
- ___ FREE for sponsors at \$150 level or above
 - ___ For sponsors below \$150 level: \$20
 - ___ For sponsors without a print ad: \$50

Business Name of Sponsor: _____

Contact Name: _____

Contact Mailing Address: _____

Contact E-mail Address: _____

Contact Phone Number(s): _____

Total Amount Enclosed: _____

Dickens 25th Anniversary
Saturday, November 23, 2019



ALL SOULS CHURCH OF BRAintree

Dear Friend,

Please help us celebrate the 25th anniversary of the Dickens Festival at All Souls Church by making a special anniversary contribution this year. All Dickens Anniversary Patrons donating \$25 or more will be listed on a special page of the program book and acknowledged on the church website and Facebook page.

Please enclose your Dickens Anniversary Donor check made payable to All Souls Church for:

\$ 25.00 \$ 50.00
 \$100.00 Other

Please provide your preferred name for your listing on the Dickens Anniversary Patron Page:

Please mail your check to: All Souls Church of Braintree
P.O. Box 850219
Braintree, MA 02185-0219
ASC@braintree@gmail.com

For questions, e-mail: _____



All Souls Church
 Unitarian Universalist
 196 Elm Street, P.O. Box 850219
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Reverend Joanna Lubkin, Minister

September 25, 2019

RE: Invitation to Sponsor the 25th Annual Dickens Festival Holiday Craft Fair
 Saturday, November 23, 2019

Dear friend:

Planning for the 25th annual Dickens Festival Holiday Craft Fair is now underway! We write to invite you to join the community of sponsors that support this popular community event.

This free festival attracts hundreds of people from the surrounding community who come to start their holiday shopping, purchase home-made baked goods for their Thanksgiving feasts, sing along with our roaming carolers and lunch on our delicious roast turkey sandwiches. They come with the hope that they will win a raffle prize or find a special gift at the Christmas Attic Table. It all takes place in our historic neo-Gothic stone building that would be right at home in a cozy English village.

Your sponsorship will be acknowledged with an ad in the attractive program that is handed to the hundreds of fairgoers that enter this free event. The enclosed Sponsorship Form details the many options available, beginning in cost with a 2-line text greeting for \$25 to a full-page black and white space for \$225. The names of all sponsors will be posted on our website and on social media. Another option open to you is to simply become a 25th Anniversary Patron with a contribution of \$25 or more. Please see the insert for more information about this opportunity.

All Souls Church is a welcoming community to spiritual seekers from all backgrounds. Because we are committed to serving the wider community, we offer meeting space at minimal cost to self-help groups such as Alcoholics Anonymous. Our commitment to environmental responsibility led us to play an integral part in the founding of the local environmental group, Sustainable Braintree and the Braintree Farmers Market. Your support will enable us to continue to make a positive difference in the world. Your support will assist us in the preservation of our building, which is listed on the National Register of Historic Places and is a distinctive architectural highlight in Braintree.

We hope to be able to include you in our community of Dickens Festival supporters and we thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,
 The Dickens Festival Organizing Committee
 Mary Mitchell, Treasurer
 781-864-7743 cell
 E-mail: TBular@aol.com

**You are invited to
A Recital of the Piano music
of**

Claude Debussy

Judy Cobble, pianist

**at Thayer Public Library
Logan Auditorium**

**798 Washington St., Braintree
at 3 p.m. on Sunday, October 20**



LGBT Seniors Brunch

<https://www.meetup.com/South-Shore-LGBT-Seniors/>

The next brunch will be held on Saturday, October 26 from 10 am to Noon in All Souls Parish Hall. This monthly brunch is open to LGBTQ seniors 60 and up: \$2.00 suggested donation. Under 60? Just a \$5.00 fee. Please RSVP a few days ahead of time. Call 781-848-3939 ext. 315 for questions, or email LGBTSeniors@gmail.com.

If you are interested in learning more about other community meal programs in Massachusetts for LGBT older adults, click the following link (or copy and paste it into your web browser.) The LGBT Aging Project now helps organize nearly two dozen community meal programs throughout Massachusetts!

https://fenwayhealth.org/wp-content/uploads/TFIAP-47_Fall2018_LGBT_ElderMealsCalendar.pdf

We hope your friends and you join us at our next brunch !

LGBTQuincy Meetup (taken from their website)

<https://www.meetup.com/LGBTQuincy-Meetup/>

A social group for LGBTQ residents of Quincy, Massachusetts and the South Shore meeting in Quincy's great local pubs, restaurants, and public places. We look forward to creating vibrant events with you. If you are shy, or coming solo, please look for members wearing a rainbow Shy Squad button. You will quickly be among friends.

The organizers welcome additional co-organizers who have interest in hosting events - please reach out. To become a member to this private group, you must answer the membership questions asked.

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All Souls Church of Braintree – October 2019



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Calendar Highlights

Book Group, Tuesday October 1 at 7 pm
 Home School Co-op, Thursdays 9:30 to 11:30 am meets weekly through mid-November
 Gay Men's Discussion Group, Thursday October 3 and 17 at 7:30 pm
 Setup for Braintree Folk, Friday October 4 at 6 pm
 Braintree Folk, Saturday October 5 at 7:30 pm, doors open at 7
 Drumming, Sunday October 6 at 7 pm
 Social Action/Environmental Committee, Tuesday October 8 at 7:15 pm
 South Shore Singing Meditation, Monday October 14 at 7 pm
 Board of Trustees, Monday October 21 at 7 pm
 Saturday October 26 Turkey Donations Begin
 South Shore LGBT Seniors & Friends Brunch, Saturday October 26 at 10 am
 Pot Luck Supper, Saturday October 26 at 6 pm
 Writing Group, Wednesday October 30 at 4 pm
 Trunk or Treat, Thursday October 31 4:30 to 7:30 pm