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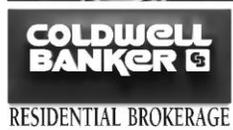
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January 27, 2019
Christian Unity Sunday

First Reading
Nehemiah: 8:2-4, 5-6, 8-10

Second Reading
First Corinthians: 12:12-30

Gospel
Luke: 1:1-4; 4:14-21

"Perfectionism is the voice of the oppressor".

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Dignity Announcements

Note: The glass chalices contain consecrated grape juice, for those who wish to abstain from alcohol. Gluten-free wafers are available as well. Please turn off cell phones during liturgy. Dignity/Boston continues to grow in awareness about gender diversity, and we recognize and welcome a spectrum of gender identities and expression. Unfortunately, our current hymnals do not reflect that well. As we strive to do a better job, we encourage you to change language as needed. We also encourage you to identify the pronouns you use on your name tag.

Presider(s): Ted

Gathering: In Christ There Is No East or West (738)

Psalm: Lord, You Have the Words (27—Psalm 19)

Preparation: You Have Anointed Me (676)

Communion: We Are Many Parts (733)

Sending Forth: We Are Called (718)

Note: Music selections may vary depending on available singers.

Second Collection: Our Second Collection for January will be taken up tonight, due to our liturgy cancellation last week. This Second Collection will benefit Boston Healthcare for the Homeless whose mission is to "assure access to the highest quality health care for all homeless men, women, and children in the greater Boston area." They believe that access to health care and medicine is crucial for Boston's homeless population and partners with shelters in the area, providing vulnerable patients with help managing chronic diseases. If you write a check, please make it payable to Dignity/Boston and we will write one larger check for this organization. Thank you for your generosity.

Christian Unity Sunday: Tonight Dignity/Boston welcomes Rev. Louis Mitchell to our Christian Unity Sunday Service. Rev. Mitchell is a pioneering "intentional man," is known as an elder, advocate, teacher, student, and minister, and has received numerous awards for his work in spirituality and advocacy. He is the Co-founder and Executive Director of TransFaith, a national non-profit led by transgender people. TransFaith is a multi-tradition, multi-racial, multi-gender organization working to support transgender spiritual/cultural workers and their leadership in community. Rev. Mitchell spoke at the DignityUSA conference in Boston in 2017.

First Event: Dignity/Boston encourages you to attend First Event. First Event is one of the longest running conferences in the U.S. for transgender and gender expansive people and those who love and support them. The event is in its 39th year and is hosted by Trans Club of New England (TCNE). It runs from this Wednesday (1/30) to next Sunday (2/3) at the Best Western Royal Plaza hotel in Marlborough. If you are interested in being supported to attend this event, please see a member of the Dignity/Boston Executive Board.

Liturgies at Dignity/New Hampshire: Next week might be an ideal time for you to check out Dignity/New Hampshire for liturgy. Dignity/NH liturgies are on Sunday afternoons, once a month, on the first Sunday of the month. This one, coming up in February, is Super Bowl Sunday (2/3) but doesn't conflict with the game. The liturgy is at 1:00 p.m. with a brief social to follow. The game doesn't start until 6:30 p.m. The service is at the Unitarian Universalist Church of Nashua at 58 Lowell St. We hope to see you there.

Aging with Dignity: The newly established Aging with Dignity Caucus is at work, looking at the issues and challenges that our aging members and their caretakers face each day. There are also terrific resources out there, like the upcoming Miami Valley LGBT Horizons of Aging Summit being held in Dayton, OH on 2/11. Read more about the event on the Dayton Daily News website (1/3/19 article).

Save the Date: Please save the date of Saturday, 5/4 at 5:00 p.m. for the Dignity/Boston and Arlington Street Church Friday Night Supper Gala, celebrating 35 years of service to the people of Boston. More details will be provided at a later date.

The Bulletin is a weekly publication of Dignity/Boston. Listings are at the discretion of the Dignity/Boston Board. The chapter does not endorse nor will be responsible for any personal views expressed in these announcements. In unusual circumstances, such as when the Governor declares a State of Emergency because of bad weather, Dignity/Boston may cancel its events, including the regular Sunday liturgy. Cancellations will be posted on our website and recorded on our voicemail message at 617-421-1915. We will email the cancellation to the listserv. Dignity/Boston is a progressive and inclusive Catholic community for people of all sexual orientations, genders and gender identities, especially gay, lesbian, bisexual, transgender, queer, and intersex persons, our family, friends and supporters. Board meetings and Liturgy Committee meetings are open to all members of Dignity/Boston. Both groups meet monthly year-round. All meetings are announced in the bulletin, during announcements at the end of liturgy each Sunday, and at www.dignityboston.org. To place an issue on the agenda for the next board meeting, please see Chris Lawrence, email dignityboston@gmail.com, or call 617-421-1915. Please leave a detailed message. For bulletin submissions, send an email to houlivan@gmail.com. The Bulletin deadline is every Wednesday at 9 p.m. except during the summer when the Bulletin deadline moves to 3:00 p.m. each Wednesday.