

## WEEK OF JANUARY 19, 2025



**From Woody:** Yesterday's Martin Luther King service really was spectacular. I have watched it several times and it continues to move me. The music with our choir, Sam and Karinna was great as always. Both Judy and Craig did a wonderful job with Dr. King's inspiring words. And our speaker, Congresswoman Maggie Goodlander inspired us with her obvious determination to tone down the rhetoric and make a real effort to make friends across the aisle. Our turnout was also really great. Thanks to all who came and/or watched online. I would be remiss not to mention how good our online broadcast is. At the end of the service when we all joined hands and sang the marching song of the Civil Rights Movement, "We Shall Overcome" Helen's expertise on our equipment made it look like we were on CNN or NBC. If you didn't see it please do give it a good look and listen. I believe that Maggi, who stayed around afterwards visiting with people, is determined to make our government work better and I am so grateful to her for coming.

Also let's all continue to pray for the success of the Middle East ceasefire which was the work of President Biden's National Security Advisor, Jake Sullivan, who is married to Maggie. Thank you all for a most hopeful and inspiring worship experience. If you missed it go to [communitychurchnewboston.org](http://communitychurchnewboston.org) and click on worship and then click on yesterday's date, Jan. 19, 2025.



**Artisan Chocolates:** Made by Heather and Rob Trzepacz are on sale. Box of 6 is \$12. Choices are dark chocolate with a salted caramel filling or milk chocolate with a chocolate ganache filling. Place your order with Rob and Heather at [rhtrapz@gmail.com](mailto:rhtrapz@gmail.com) before January 31, and pay when you pick them up



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**Valentine Serenades:** Members of the choir are again offering Valentine Serenades for your valentines. The offering includes 1-2 songs by members of the choir, a box of handmade artisan chocolates by the Trzepacz family, a flower, and a card. This will be offered **February 8-14, 5-8 pm.** Cost is \$35. Need an extra flower or box of chocolates? No problem. Extra flower \$3 each. Extra box of chocolates \$12 each. Order your serenade between January **16 and February 6** to save your spot. Reservations can be made by calling or emailing Barbara Woodland 603-487-3643 or [barbarawoodland@comcast.net](mailto:barbarawoodland@comcast.net). What a wonderful way to celebrate the loves in your life.

Need a long-distance serenade? No problem, we can face time or call your valentine. Due to the long distance flower and chocolates are not included. Cost is \$20 each.



**Annual Meeting:** Our Annual Meeting will be after worship on Sunday, Jan. 26. Please bring a dish to share at our Pot Luck Lunch and I promise the meeting won't keep you from the next Patriot's playoff game.



**February is Black History month,** and we are proud to share the sponsorship with the Daughters of the American Revolution of a program on Negro Spirituals presented by our own Carolyn Ferguson Wilson. It will be on **Saturday, February 15** in the Dignard Room. There is no charge but if you can help by bringing baked goods to share that would be much appreciated.



**Flowers for Sanctuary:** A new sign-up sheet for flowers for our worship service, is posted on the bulletin board by the office. If you want to give them in memory of someone or some event, just let Ellen know. Thanks in advance for your contribution.

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**Peace Quote:** That old law about "an eye for an eye" leaves everybody blind. The time is always right to do the right thing.....*Dr, Martin Luther King*