

# FIRST PARISH CHURCH OF GROTON

April 12, 2015

## Ringing of the Bell

### Gathering In *(Move into a circle while singing)*

Gathered here in the mystery of the hour  
Gathered here in one strong body  
Gathered here in the struggle and the power.  
Spirit draw near

### Thoughts as We Begin *Universal Body Prayer* Marisa Benson and Lindsay LaPointe

### Welcome and Announcements Amy Grosso, Worship Leader

### Chalice Lighting Marisa Benson

### Poem Naina Adhikari and Marisa Benson

### Offering "Dona Nobis Pacem" (Grant Us Peace), sung by all

### Spirit of Life Movement by Lindsay LaPointe

### A Time for All Generations What Does It Mean To Be Global? by Rana DiOrio - a collective telling

Youth Connections-International Institute of New England/  
Lowell office-\*Youth Fellows & First Parish Church Youth.

### An Invitation to Explore Liz Davis-Chaffin

*We are Unitarian Universalists  
With Minds that Think  
Hearts that Love  
And Hands that are Ready to Help.*

Come and be in community today to learn and explore, to laugh and delight, to grow in cultural understanding and to help many hands make lighter work in our social action book project.

Walk in silent meditation to explore one of the designated areas.  
\*Please explore as you are able. A chime/or drumming rift will sound every 15 minutes. When you hear the call, you may choose to remain in place OR move to a new area. We are here to share and learn more about what it means to be global.

### EAST WING: Kigali Book Project

Come lend a helping hand in our book project for the Kigali Reading Center based out of Hopkinton, Massachusetts. Books will be sent to their center in Rwanda. We will have a book station where paperback books need to be covered with library tape or have minor repairs done to preserve them for many years. Anne Shaughnessy

### VESTRY (near kitchen):

- ◆ Hindu cultural traditions - \*Naina Adhikari, Bhutan/Nepal shares lovely details about their marriage ceremony
- ◆ Global HeART- Kathryn Ellis Moore  
Add your symbol or prayer to our world with this collaborative art project.
- ◆ Mandalas- Trudy Burnham & Lindy Hanninen  
Create a spiritual & ritual symbol in Hinduism and Buddhism, representing the Universe.
- ◆ International treats-sample refreshments from different cultures

### VESTRY (near stage):

- ◆ African Fusion drumming- Clarice & Judith Rwakabuba will demonstrate drumming from the Democratic Republic of Congo
- ◆ Tae Kwon Do- led by Dahlia Paw & Aung Oo Bawi Kham from Burma and Myanmar
- ◆ Prayer Flags-Sarah Iacobucci  
Pause and take a moment to write or draw your hope or prayer

### LIBRARY

- ◆ Muslim Cultural tradition- Amina Omar from Somalia shares information about her traditional head scarf and helps participants learn how to wear a hijab.

### Song "True Colors" by Cyndi Lauper- Intergenerational Choir

### Circle Round for Closing Ritual Universal Body Prayer - gratitude for our gifts shared

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**A Thought as We Close** Metta (A prayer prayed for self & others)

*May I be safe, May I be happy, May I be healthy,  
May I be peaceful and at ease.  
May you be safe, May you be happy, May you be healthy,  
May you be peaceful and at ease.  
Namaste, blessed be.*

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*Join us for good food and conversation outside immediately following  
our gathering!*

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Greeters: Sal Lombardi, Diane Lombardi and Mary Jennings  
Ushers: Suzanne Nelson and Deb Boczenowski  
Coffee Hour Hosts: Brayden Woods & Austin Edwards

*Global Hearts is co-sponsored by:*

First Parish Church of Groton RE Council  
International Institute of New England  
(Lowell Office/Youth Programs)

Special thanks to Marisa Benson, Dahvy Tran, Sherry Spaulding,  
Lindsay LaPointe, Kathryn Ellis Moore, Owen Shuman, Karen  
Papineau, Eleanor Keydel, Nick Maciel  
Special thanks to our musicians: Haley Watson, Marisa Benson,  
Dave, Kira and Lara Hill, Maddy Premru & Kathryn Ellis Moore  
Welcome and thank you IINE youth visitors/presenters- Awet  
Tesfagaber, Mow Plo, Thay A, Dahlia Paw, Amina Omar, Clarice  
Rwakabuba, Judith Rwakabuba, Aung Oo Bawi Kham, Ta Poe,  
and Naina Adhikari

The International Institute has, for nearly a century, assisted  
immigrants, refugees, and other vulnerable populations living in  
New England. They provide safety to the victims of war and  
injustice. IINE fosters self-sufficiency in new American families  
struggling to make ends meet and invests in the entrepreneurship  
of tomorrow's business leaders. Our newly established Youth  
Connections program coordinates activities and events for UU  
youth in Groton and IINE youth in Lowell.

## FIRST PARISH CHURCH

Groton, Massachusetts

*"We are a community seeking to deepen spiritually, to take care of  
one another, and to be a blessing to the world."*

# GLOBAL HEART



## Gathering for All Ages

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**"What Does It Mean to Be Global?"**

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