

Charting a Course for FPUU, Arlington

— Questions —

Our Community

TODAY: Why do you value First Parish as your faith community? What makes you proud to be a member? Or, state an important way First Parish serves community members.

TOMORROW/FUTURE: Name an important way FPUU may serve the future community. How do you expect our community demographics will change in 5 - 10 years? *Consider Equity and access*

Worship & Music

TODAY: What aspects of First Parish worship and music do you hold dear?

TOMORROW: In 5-10 years, what will remain central to worship and how might it evolve or change from current practices/rituals?
What might be a new feature or quality of worship or music?

Our Neighbors and Outside influences:

TODAY: What do you value regarding First Parish and its relationship to our neighbors? Consider, who is our neighbor:

- Other faith groups in/near Arlington
- Town leaders (police, manager, public health, etc)
- Our geographic area of support including nearby towns
- State and national influences (Economic, news, politics, etc)

TOMORROW: In 5-10 years, what added support (physical, programmatic, or cultural) would you be proud to have in place, for our neighbors? Consider how we may welcome and support our neighbors, and how to engage neighbors to participate and contribute to our community.

Social Justice

Today - name one aspect of our Social Justice umbrella that makes you proud.

Tomorrow/Future - In 5-10 years, what issues of Social Justice do you hope FPUU will be known to support? Offer an example or two of things you'd love to overhear passersby on the street saying about FPUU regarding our social justice programs.

Pastoral Care and Outreach

Today - what is an important feature of First Parish's pastoral care and outreach programs?

Tomorrow/Future - What could FPUU do in 5-10 years to support people, pastorally, that would be different from today?

Adult programming

Today - Name an aspect of adult programming and education that is dear to you.

Tomorrow/Future - What topics, approaches would you like to see in place as part of Adult programming?

Children and Youth

Today - What's something we're doing well to serve children and/or families today? What's something we offer to foster our values with children and families?

Tomorrow/Future - What might need to change to better serve families and youth going forward? What might the RE program look like, what programming might we offer?

Facility/ Campus/Technology

Today - Name features of our campus that support our values and mission.

Tomorrow/Future - How will we use the FP campus? What building needs do we face? What technology do we need? How can we better use technology?

Staffing for FPUU

Today - How is the First Parish Staff equipped to service our community? What is missing/ what is needed?

Tomorrow/Future - How might First Parish staffing change in 5 -10 years- what specific needs might paid staff address?

Volunteerism/ Governance/ Leadership

Today - How are we developing and sustaining our volunteers at First Parish? What is missing/ what is needed?

Tomorrow/Future - How might the First Parish volunteer model change in 5 -10 years- what specific needs might volunteers address?

Anything we've missed

Today

Tomorrow/Future