

COULD IT HAPPEN TO YOU (AT FIRST U)?

OPPORTUNITY

What You Should Know About The 'Free Money' Craze At Church

A fundraiser is happening at your church that involves free money—stay tuned for details.

Members and friends at First Universalist have been buzzing about what has been described as “a great way to make free money for the church.” Purchase an LL Bean card and you receive the full value and the church gets 18% of the purchase price. *18% for the Church? Wow!* These gift cards available after church during coffee hour. Give a card for a gift for teachers, graduates, moms, or dads, or use as you get set to buy your canoe. Cards from other companies are also available – check it out.

CELEBRATION

It's May 21 — Do You Know Where Your Friends Are?

Do you know where your church friends will be on May 21? Don't miss out on this event!

During worship on Sunday, May 21st, First U will celebrate the gifts of time and talent that so many members and friends contribute to church life. We will highlight the contributions, often unseen, that members make to keep everything running smoothly. We will also spotlight our newest members and welcome them into our community. Come, join the celebration and share in the fellowship of First Universalist.



TRANSPARENCY

Breakeven Budgets Are On The Rise — More on May 21

Could a breakeven budget be in First U's financial future? Experts say yes. Even as First Universalist's Board of Trustees waits for the last dozen pledges to be expressed, the Board has begun the task of crafting a breakeven budget for the coming fiscal year, which will be voted upon by the congregation at the May 21 Annual Meeting. Readers may think this is a dull green eyeshades project for the

Board, but meetings have actually become quite raucous as we rejoice in so much that is now possible. With the big Here for Good renovation project complete, our Sanctuary is now ready to book performances and events – an exciting addition to our budget and to what we can offer our wider community. All it takes is a few enthusiastic people to join our booking team!