

A MIDSUMMER NIGHT'S DREAM

OPPORTUNITY

'What's In A Name?'

"...That which we call a CLAM by any other name would smell as sweet."

Yes, the sweet smell of clam is in the air, and now is your opportunity to sign up for Clam Fest! If you were overwhelmed last year working way too many hours, and shifts, take heart! Big change: there will be no booth at church - so many fewer shifts to be covered - no volunteer should be intimidated by the hours to be covered!

Also new this year: Clam Fritters - sample one on Sunday at the Annual Meeting. During Clam Fest at our church space, we will set up a small respite spot (thank you Ed for the new picnic table!), and offer quick peeks into the Sanctuary on Saturday 12 pm - 2 pm. Remember, as you sign up for your Clam Fest shift, *"joy's soul lies in the doing."*

CELEBRATION

'Goodnight, Sweet Prince'

"...And flights of angels sing thee to thy rest."

Hold up. This is NOT a memorial service; it's a farewell party! Bring yourself and your best wishes on Sunday, June 10, at 12:30 pm to the Nathanson's at 362 Lower Flying Point Road in Freeport. And instead of melodramatic goodbye speeches, offer a dish to share with the congregation.

You might also want to pack up your lawn chairs and bathing suits and towels if the weather is fair. But, if we are facing a tempest, and *"the rain raineth every day,"* skip the lawn chairs and the bathing suits, and we'll stay indoors at First U in the Gathering Room to fete Rev. Jennifer's ministry and to wish her well on her next adventures.

TRANSPARENCY

'All's Well That Ends Well'

As our church year meanders to its conclusion, we hold our Annual Meeting on Sunday, June 3, following worship. All are welcome to attend; only members can vote, but all can come for a light lunch and to witness how we navigate the 'business' of church. Find out more about our ministerial transition – good-bye to Rev. Jennifer & hello to Rev. Frieda.

Annual Reports will be available summarizing this church year's accomplishments and looking ahead to the new church year. We will be voting on next year's board and nominating committee. And, of course, we'll be voting on our balanced budget for next church year. Be in the know, after all, *"strong reasons make strong actions."*