

Chalice Circles

North Shore Unitarian Church

2016-2017

Chalice Circles is our small group ministry that will run from October 2016 to June 2017. We plan to run it again next year, but the groups will be composed of different facilitators and members each year. This supports the goal of better integrating our community!

This is an opportunity to go deeper into the monthly worship theme. Each group will use the same structure to check in, do an activity or have a discussion on the monthly worship theme, and check out. Facilitators have been trained to lead the circles using this format to encourage meaningful sharing. Each circle will also choose and complete a service project for the church.

Chalice Circles is *not* therapy. If you are looking for that type of support, please speak with Rev. Dr. Marlene Walker for resources.

There are currently five Chalice Circles available. (See the back of this page.) Each circle meets once per month for two hours. On your registration form, you say which days and times work for you. Then, you're assigned to a group by Oct. 1. Doing it this way will help us have a balanced mix of folks in each circle.

This program requires a strong commitment. We want everyone involved to develop meaningful relationships with one another and feel safe to share openly with their circle. To do this requires regular attendance of the whole group, keeping confidentiality (except if someone is at risk of harm), and otherwise abiding by the NSUC Covenant of Right Relations.

Chalice Circles is open to all NSUC members. If you aren't a member yet, talk with the Membership Committee or attend one of their events to learn more.

The Chalice Circles are named after famous Unitarians and Universalists in history. If you haven't heard of one of them, be sure to look them up!

Chalice Circle Days & Times

- Olympia Brown Chalice Circle
1st Monday at 6:00-8:00pm
Facilitated by Christine Farrell & Susan Bailey

- Angus MacLean Chalice Circle
1st Tuesday at 7:00-9:00pm
Facilitated by Lenny Xavier & Karen Kortsch

- Margaret Fuller Chalice Circle
2nd Wednesday at 1:00-3:00pm
Facilitated by Karen & Dirk Topham

- James Reeb Chalice Circle
2nd Wednesday at 7:00-9:00pm
Facilitated by Sage Hagy & Art Gould

- Adlai Stevenson Chalice Circle
1st Thursday at 7:00-9:00pm
Facilitated by Carolyn Leman & Marcy Scholar