

Community Church of Boston
A Peace and Justice congregation since 1920

sunday forums

April 2011

Sundays at 11:00a.m.

April 3rd -- JAWAD HUSEIN

"Shaking off Colonialism & Tyranny: The Dawn of a Revolution for Dignity and Unity in the Arab World"

On December 17, 2010, Mohamed Bouazizi, a produce seller, set himself on fire in protest of the confiscation of his cart wheel and the harassment and humiliation that was inflicted on him by a municipal official and her aides. His act of defiance set the stage for massive street protests in Tunisia that led to the fall of the French-backed regime of Bin Ali. Street protests would soon spread to towns and villages across the Arab world, declaring unity, transcending artificial borders, ousting petty tyrants and challenging their masters. We will explore the underlying causes for the revolt, celebrate the spirit of its masses and discuss the challenges its facing at this early stage.

Jawad Husein is a pro-Palestine activist in the Boston area.

April 10th -- MATTHEW P. DUMONT, M.D

"An Aging Psychiatrist Examines a Crazy World"

Matt Dumont has been a regular speaker at CCB for more than 40 years. His sharp-edged commentaries on medical, economic, social and political unrealities have always provoked lively discussions. Here he takes a wide-screen overview of our current circumstances, their origin and prospects for the future.

Matt is the author, most recently, of *Treating the Poor: A Personal Sojourn Through the Rise and Fall of Community Mental Health*. Recollections and analysis of his 16 years treating mental illness and confronting social problems in the city of Chelsea are contained in *The Absurd Healer*. And his writings on health care were collected in Dr. Drummond's *Spirited Guide to Health in a Dying Empire*, winning recognition from the National Press Club.

April 17th -- LEE FICH

"Liberation Seder"

In celebration and honor of Passover we will gather for our annual Liberation Seder. This is the time when we remember the Jewish story of resistance and come together as a community to celebrate the timeless story of overcoming injustice and choosing to remember the connection to all struggles for liberation. Please remember to bring a potluck dish to share. This is an especially good Sunday to bring friends and family!

Lee Fich is a long time friend of the church who has led the Passover Seder for many years now.

April 24th -- Easter Sunday

REV. JASON LYDON

"Cracking the Cadbury Egg: Reflections on Lent and the Beauty of Rebirth"

The Christian season of Lent is a time for humility. It is about letting go of those things that overly feed our ego. The Jesus story of Easter is about the triumph of the oppressed over oppressors, the resurrection of hope and possibility through ultimate transformation. We will reflect together on what Easter can mean for us and how the close of the Lenten season is simply the continuation of our needed work towards liberation.

Rev. Jason Lydon is the minister of the Community Church of Boston.

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