

# Mission, Vision & Covenant

## **Our Mission**

*First Parish Brewster is a joyfully inclusive Unitarian Universalist community whose mission is opening hearts, growing souls, and turning love into justice.*

## **Our Vision**

*Grounded in our Unitarian Universalist principles and spirituality, this First Parish Brewster UU community strives to create a multigenerational practice of inclusion, support, and justice in the lives of one another and in the world around us.*

## **Congregational Covenant**

1. We respect the wisdom of all, in a friendly and loving manner. Everyone deserves to be heard, including our children and youth.
2. We approach one another as spiritual partners. Before speaking, we take a breath and think: Is it true? Is it kind? Will it help? We speak directly and openly with empathy, compassion, and kindness. We use “I” statements and respect healthy boundaries.
3. We act in good faith according to our UU values. We listen carefully to the decisions made by leadership and expect our leaders to honor the voices of those who disagree. When needed, we follow processes of reconciliation and resolution through Right Relations.
4. We embrace questions and engage directly, listening deeply. When conflict appears, we see it as an opportunity for change and growth. Understanding our differences, we allow for missteps, and welcome feedback. We seek the goal of reconciliation, encouraging peer and social support when needed.
5. We aspire to be our best selves. Whenever we need to, we have the capacity to gently remind and call each other back into covenant, into the widening circle of our loving community.