



THIS EVENING'S PANELISTS, continued:

Reverend Calvin Sanborn. Before coming to St. George's, Calvin served as rector of St. Matthew's Episcopal Church in Hallowell, Maine (July 2005 to May 2010) and as the Episcopal chaplain to New York University in NYC (August 2004 to June 2005). He is no stranger to St. George's, as he served as Assistant Rector there from September 2002 to September 2004.

Reverend Lauren Smith and her husband, Reverend Chris Holton Jablonski, have served South Church as its two settled ministers since 2011. Reverend Smith grew up in Northern California but has strong ties to New England and Unitarian Universalism that extend back to Civil War years. Her forbears were free African-Americans living in North Carolina in the 1850s; they made the dangerous journey north to find a better life. Reverend Smith cherishes the message of liberation and wholeness at the heart of the Unitarian Universalist religious tradition. She enjoys preaching, meditation, working with lay leaders, and social witness. She is also a student of Zen Buddhism in the Kwan Um School. She attended the University of California at Santa Cruz and Starr King School for the Ministry.

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INTERFAITH PROGRAM

What is the Role of Peacemaking In Your Faith Tradition?

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**Fellowship Hall, First Parish Church
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Peace cannot be kept by force; it can only be achieved by understanding. Albert Einstein



EVENING'S PANELISTS



Chuck Cox is a member of the Society of Friends (Quaker) and Clerk of the Dover Friends Meeting. He has Methodist roots but began his association with the Society of Friends when he attended a Quaker boarding school. He went on to Cornell University's College of Agriculture and joined the Young Friends while there. After graduation, he became a Conscientious Objector (during the Vietnam War) and spent two years in alternative service at Camp Hill Village in New York. He married under the care of the meeting in New York. He now lives in Lee, NH, where he is an organic farmer.

Reverend Effie McAvoy is Pastor of The United Methodist Church, York-Ogunquit. She earned a Master of Divinity from Boston University. She is Chair of the New England Conference Commission on Religion and Race, Co-Chair of the Entrance Committee of New England Conference Board of Ordained Ministry, an Ordained Elder in full connection within the United Methodist Church, and Chaplain for the York Police Department. She is married to Tara McAvoy and the mother of Preston Alexander McAvoy.

Noreen Powers, a Northern Cheyenne Elder, is the daughter of a Northern Cheyenne father; her mother is from Northern Ireland. She has dedicated her life to our Earth Mother and all her children. Her current work is sharing Native Spirit Circles with people recovering from drug and alcohol abuse, a walk she finds filled with unexpected blessings.

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TONIGHT'S DISCUSSION ~



What is the Role of Peacemaking In Your Faith Tradition?

Moderator: Ron McAllister, Retired Professor of Peace & Conflict Studies; Columnist, *The York Weekly*

Chuck Cox, Dover Friends Meeting

Reverend Effie McAvoy, United Methodist Church, York-Ogunquit

Noreen Powers, Native American, Northern Cheyenne, Boscawen, NH

Reverend Calvin Sanborn, St. George's Episcopal Church, York

Reverend Lauren Smith, South Parish Unitarian Church, Portsmouth