

Community Church of Boston
A Peace and Justice congregation since 1920

sunday forums

May 2007
Sundays at 11:00a.m.

May 6 -- LOGAN PERKINS & BEN GROSSCUP
"BioJustice from New England to the Whole World"

BioJustice 2007 is a weeklong celebration of sustainable food and alternatives to corporate healthcare. It is being developed by a wide coalition of public interest groups, activists, farmers, scientists, and concerned citizens, working together in response to the biotechnology industry's international convention scheduled for the new Boston Convention and Exhibition Center during May 6-9, 2007.

Logan Perkins is the lead organizer for Protect Maine Farmers, an organization working to ensure that Maine's farmers have all the tools that they need to be successful now and in the future. Ben Grosscup is an organizer for the Massachusetts Chapter of the Northeast Organic Farming Association.



May 13 -- Mothers' Day (service starts at 11:15am)
MASS IMMIGRANT & REFUGEE ADVOCACY (MIRA) COALITION
"Real Stories of Real Mothers from New Bedford"

MIRA members, staff and allies--such as Greater Boston Legal Services--have responded to the devastation of families caused by the March 6th Immigration & Customs Enforcement (ICE) raid on a defense contractor in New Bedford, MA. ICE rounded up and incarcerated around 350 textile workers, mostly women, leaving nearly 200 children separated from their parents. Families, neighbors and friends have done their best to care for these unfortunate victims, with limited resources. Three days later, a Boston Globe editorial referred to the episode as "the U.S. immigration system at its worst".

Celebrating its 20th anniversary, MIRA is the only statewide organization that unites community groups, human service providers, civic and religious leaders, state and local agencies, legal services & labor organizations to work together to uphold the rights and opportunities of newcomers.

May 20 -- 25th Annual W.E.B. DuBois Memorial Address (postponed from February)
SEAN GONSALVES

"The New Crisis in Journalism"

Dr. DuBois was a prophet of Black Liberation and anti-imperialism. He was a frequent speaker at the Community Church of Boston and gave his last public address in this country here. The Church has hosted a yearly W.E.B. DuBois Memorial Address since 1982, where we invite activists and leaders who honor the memory of Dr. DuBois to share their work, words & passion with us.

Sean Gonsalves was born on Cape Cod and raised in Oakland, CA--"home of the Black Panther Party, Angela Davis, Hell's Angels & Tupac Shakur". He has been a syndicated columnist and reporter for the Cape Cod Times for the past ten years, as well as a frequent guest on talk radio. Sean's work has appeared in the *Seattle Post-Intelligencer*, *Washington Post* & *Boston Globe*. He recently contributed an essay to *Living a Life of Value*, an anthology of 75 writings edited by Jason Merchey, and will soon be featured in a book about African-American columnists.



May 27 -- Memorial Day Weekend
REV. WILLIAM E. ALBERTS
"Faith-Based Imperialism: At Work in Iraq"

Bill Alberts is in his 15th year as hospital chaplain at Boston Medical Center, Newton Pavilion. He has been writing research reports, essays & articles on racism, politics and religion for decades. Recently, many of his pieces have appeared in *Counterpunch*. He was also minister of Community Church from 1978 to 1991.

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