

Mark is in the middle of his fourteenth year serving the First Universalist Church in Rockland. He graduated from Starr King School for the Ministry in 2003, after receiving a call to ministry while attending Clark University where he majored in philosophy. A native New Englander, Mark learned lessons early in life about painful blessings as a die-hard Red Sox fan. Mark also internalized lessons about Beloved Community spending summers at overnight camps from the age of 6 until 23. During those summers, Mark developed a love of the outdoors and a deeply felt sense of our interconnectedness with each other and Earth and Universe. Grounded in this belief that separateness is the illusion, Mark invites his congregants to live out Thurman's admonition to "do what makes you come alive," keeping in mind that what we do affects everything around us. And so, he believes; we are called to act wisely and generously, with creativity and compassion and love.