## SAVE THE DATE: SEPTEMBER 29, 2024 AT 2:00 PM

A service for Blessing of the Animals will take place behind the office building of the United Presbyterian Church of Whitinsville on September 29 at 2:00 PM. (Rain date is Sunday, October 2nd) Both church members and members of the surrounding community are welcome to join us for this service. All animals **except** reptiles and insects are included. Goldfish and other fish in small bowls are welcome.

Animals must be on leashes or in cages. You may also bring photos of your pet if you do not feel comfortable bringing the pet.

There will be a brief comment by Rev. Dr. Susan DeHoff on how God blesses us through animals and how God shares his love through animals. We will offer a prayer of thanks to God for the pets we love and live with us, and a prayer for all the animals we have loved but now live in heaven with God. Then there will be a special word of blessing specifically for all the animals present. The service should last about 20 minutes.

After the service there will be opportunity to meet some of the animals present, for those who wish to do so.

Come and join us a 7 Spring St. Whitinsville, MA on Sept. 29! Please RSVP to the church office by September 24 so that we know how many people to prepare for. To help animals who are not so fortunate to have a good home like your pet has, please bring a can of pet food to be donated to the local animal shelter.

If you have any questions, please contact the church office at (508) 234-8220 or at whitingres@gmail.com.

There is on-street parking on Cottage and Spring Streets, and there is plenty of parking in the Unibank parking lot across the street from the church.