



LYRICS

Love Bade Me Welcome

LOVE bade me welcome: yet my soul drew back,
Guiltie of dust and sinne.

But quick-ey'd Love, observing me grow slack
From my first entrance in,

Drew nearer to me, sweetly questioning,
If I lack'd any thing.

A guest, I answer'd, worthy to be here:
Love said, you shall be he.

I the unkinde, ungratefull? Ah my deare,
I cannot look on thee.

Love took my hand, and smiling did reply,
Who made the eyes but I?

Truth Lord, but I have marr'd them: let my shame
Go where it doth deserve.

And know you not, sayes Love, who bore the blame?
My deare, then I will serve.

You must sit down, sayes Love, and taste my meat:
So I did sit and eat.

George Herbert (1593-1633)
"Love Bade Me Welcome", from *The Temple*.
Published 1633, and in public domain.



BULLETIN

CELEBRATING OUR GENEROSITY

Offering plates from Sunday service

9/7 Freshwater Society: \$864
8/31 Youth Farm: \$465
8/24 Northside Achievement Zone \$363

To nominate an offering recipient, go to:
www.firstuniversalistchurch.com/offering-plate

Let Us Keep You In Our Thoughts & Prayers

If you are experiencing a crisis or transition, or celebrating a joy - please let us know. If you'd like to be included in our Cycle of Life each Sunday in worship, please contact Sandy diNanni at (sandy@firstuniv.org) or (612) 825-1701. If you would like support, please contact Rev. Jen Crow (jen@firstuniv.org or 825-1701) or any member of our Pastoral Care Team.

First Universalist Choir

Have you thought about singing in the choir?

YOU are welcome to join us! Ability to read music and previous experience is helpful but not necessary. An open heart, eagerness to learn and the desire to be part of a large and dynamic choral ensemble are qualities we look for in new members. Rehearsals are Wednesday evenings from 7:00-9:00 PM. Contact randy@firstuniv.org for details.

Women's Ritual Circle

Self-identified women who are interested in earth-based spirituality are welcome to attend the next open ritual of the Under Northern Skies Women's Ritual Circle on Tuesday, September 23 at 7:30 p.m. in the Cummins Room. Join us to celebrate the New Moon in Libra! Contact Beth at beloved-porcupine@gmail.com for more information.

Welcome!

We are so glad that you are here.

At First Universalist Church, in the spirit of love and hope, our mission is to practice giving, receiving, and growing. We welcome, affirm, and protect the light in each human hear; we act outside of our walls; we listen to where love is calling us next. We do all this as a faith community committed to racial justice. These spiritual practices and commitments are the ways we move in rhythm with the great love that is alive in the world.

Come to a brief orientation to First Universalist and Unitarian Universalism, the 1st and 3rd Sundays of the month. **Our next orientation takes place TODAY, September 21;** meet us in the front of the Sanctuary immediately after the service. Find out more about our community in this 30-minute overview. No sign up needed and coffee & childcare are provided.

The Visiting Families Welcome Station at the north end of the Religious Education wing has information about our Children, Youth & Family Ministries. Stop by if you are interested in learning more, or email our Director of Children, Youth & Family Ministries, Lauren Wyeth, at lauren@firstuniv.org.

Hearing Devices are available - please ask an usher. Cushions are available for the pews and are located next to the sound booth and at the entrance to the Sanctuary. Please return them to their home after the service.

We also have Fragrance-Free rows marked in the balcony.

For more information about First Universalist, go to our website: www.firstuniversalistchurch.org stop by our Information Center in the Social Hall downstairs after services, or call our church office, 612-825-1701.



Good Enough

Rev. Jen Crow

September 21, 2014

Music for Gathering

Impromptu No. 3 in A flat Op.34
-Gabriel Fauré

Dr. Jerrod Wendland

Words of Welcome

Rev. Elaine Aron Tenbrink

Bellsound

Prelude

Prélude in F Major, Op. 103 No. 4
-Gabriel Fauré

Dr. Jerrod Wendland

Call to Worship

Rama Hart

Opening Hymn #323

Break Not The Circle

Lighting the Chalice

Rev. Jen Crow

*Love is the spirit of this church,
and service is its law.
This is our great covenant:
To dwell together in peace,
to seek the truth in love,
and to help one another.*

-James V. Blake
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Musical Interlude

Dr. Jerrod Wendland

Silence

Cycle of Life

Rev. Elaine Aron Tenbrink

Hymn of Prayer # 123

Spirit of Life (seated)

*Spirit of life, come unto me,
Sing in my heart all the stirrings of compassion
Blow in the wind, rise in the sea:
Move in the hand, giving life the shape of justice.
Roots hold me close. Wings set me free.
Spirit of Life, come to me. Come to me.*

-Carolyn McDade
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Reading

The Avowal
-Denise Levertov

Rev. Jen Crow

Musical Offering

Love Bade Me Welcome
-Ralph Vaughan Williams

First Universalist Choir
Dr. Randal Buikema, conductor
Bryan Wells, Tenor

Sermon

Good Enough

Rev. Jen Crow

Offertory

Let The River Run
-Carly Simon (arr. Craig Hella Johnson)

First Universalist Choir
Dr. Randal Buikema, conductor
Nick Mordal, Bass
Tommy Jacobs, Djembe

Closing Hymn #1028

Fire of Commitment
(teal hymnal)

Blessing in Song # 413

Go Now in Peace

Music for the Journey

Barcarolle No. 2 in G major, Op. 41
-Gabriel Fauré

Dr. Jerrod Wendland

Worship Leaders

Rev. Jen Crow Minister of Program Life
Rev. Elaine Aron Tenbrink Minister of Membership & Adult Ministries
Dr. Randal Buikema Director of Choral Arts
Dr. Jerrod Wendland Interim Accompanist
First Universalist Choir
Nick Mordal, Bass Instrumental Guests
Tommy Jacobs, Djembe

Chalice Lighters

Frances Papajohn 9:30

Worship Design and Coordination

Rev. Ruth MacKenzie

Chancel Arrangement

This morning's flowers are donated and arranged by Karen Johnson, member of the Visual Arts Committee, in memory of her mother, Aileene Bender McNally.

Offering

Twin Cities Rise!

The mission of Twin Cities RISE! is to provide employers with skilled workers – primarily men from communities of color in the Twin Cities area – by training under- and unemployed adults for skilled jobs that pay a living wage. Twin Cities RISE! (TCR!) is an innovative anti-poverty organization that offers a comprehensive work skills training program for low-income adults in the Twin Cities area. The combination of work skills classes, Personal Empowerment, one-on-one coaching, and internship opportunities result in placement in full time, living wage jobs.

The Pavia Wind Quintet will be presenting their fall concert at First Universalist Church this Sunday, September 21st at 4:00 p.m. The concert is free or a suggested donation of \$10. All proceeds will go toward the work of our church.

Our good friends from Shir Tikvah will be here this upcoming week to celebrate their High Holy Days and the Jewish New Year.

With that in mind could everyone here help by taking our hymnals out of the pews and bring them to the back of the sanctuary.