

## GET CONNECTED

### BETH ANDREWS ARTIST RECEPTION TODAY!

Join us after worship today for a reception for artist Beth Andrews, whose paintings are currently on view in the gallery space in the social hall. The medium used in Andrews' paintings is called "Encaustic." It is a mixture of beeswax and resin. The process involves layering and scraping back, hiding and revealing. The finished product has the look and feel of an archeological finding.

### SUMMER SUNDAYS AT FIRST UNIVERSALIST

Worship Services are held at 10 a.m. during the summer. We ask that you please bring your own mug to the social hour after the service. This helps save on water, labor, and keeps the kitchen cool during the hot summer months. See you in church!

### LAKE HARRIET BANDSHELL WORSHIP & PICNIC

Save the date for our annual worship service and potluck picnic at the Lake Harriet Bandshell: Sunday, Aug. 20 at 10 a.m. Please join us!

### REGISTRATION FOR 2017-2018 RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

RE registration for the 2017-2018 church year is now open online at: <http://1stureligiouseducation.weebly.com/>.

### SUMMER SUNDAYS FOR KIDS

In the summer months, Sunday morning childcare and Religious Education classes are offered for children ages 6 months through those entering 6th grade in the fall. There is no pre-registration for Summer Sundays - simply sign your child in at the classroom: babies (6-17 months) in Room 102; toddlers/preschoolers (18 months-3 years) in Room 100; children ages 4 years through kids entering 1st grade in Room 104; kids entering 2nd-6th grade in the Chalice Room. Youth entering 7th-12th grade attend service with their family.

### JOIN THE SUMMER CHOIR!

Do you like to sing? Have you thought about being in choir, but can't make an extended commitment? Summer Choir may be just right for you! The Summer Choir is scheduled to sing in services on July 9 and August 27. Rehearsals are at 9 a.m. on the day of the service, and services begin at 10 a.m. Music is easy enough to learn in the 45 minute rehearsal. All are welcome! Questions? Contact [randy@firstuniv.org](mailto:randy@firstuniv.org).

## WELCOME

### We are so glad you are here.

At First Universalist Church, in the spirit of love and hope, we give, receive, and grow. We welcome, affirm, and protect the light in each human heart; we listen deeply to where love is calling us next; and we act with humility, bravery, and compassion in service to justice. 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.

### LET US KEEP YOU IN OUR THOUGHTS & PRAYERS

If you are experiencing a crisis or transition, or celebrating a joy—please let us know. To be included in our Cycle of Life each Sunday in worship, contact Sandy DiNanni at [sandy@firstuniv.org](mailto:sandy@firstuniv.org) or 612-825-1701.

If you would like support, contact the church office at 612-825-1701 or any member of our Pastoral Care Team.

### Are You Visiting?

Come to a brief orientation to First Universalist and Unitarian Universalism.

### Our next orientation takes place: Sunday, July 2

Meet us in the front of the Sanctuary immediately after the service. Find out more about our community in this 45-minute overview. No sign up needed. Childcare is provided during the session after the 10 a.m. service.

**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 Director of Children, Youth & Family Ministries Lauren Wyeth at: [lauren@firstuniv.org](mailto:lauren@firstuniv.org).

### CELEBRATING OUR GENEROSITY

Offering plates from Sunday Service:  
6/4 Good in the Hood \$661.26  
6/11 CAIR-Minnesota \$394.20  
6/18 RECLAIM! \$639.37

Know a charitable organization that shares our commitment to justice and equity? Nominate an offering recipient at: [firstuniversalistchurch.org/offering-plate](http://firstuniversalistchurch.org/offering-plate).

If you'd like to make a donation but don't have cash, use the Square Cash App. It takes no time at all to set up and use! First Universalist's cash tag is \$firstuniv. For more information, go to <http://firstuniversalistchurch.org/new-giving-option-square-cash/>.

### HELPFUL INFORMATION

**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**, stop by our Information Center in the Social Hall downstairs, call 612-825-1701, or visit our website: [firstuniversalistchurch.org](http://firstuniversalistchurch.org).

### CARING CORNER

Write a note to a congregant who could use support! There are cards available in the library, which is located off of the Social Hall. You are welcome to stop by and write a card at any time. Just leave it in the basket and the church will mail it for you.

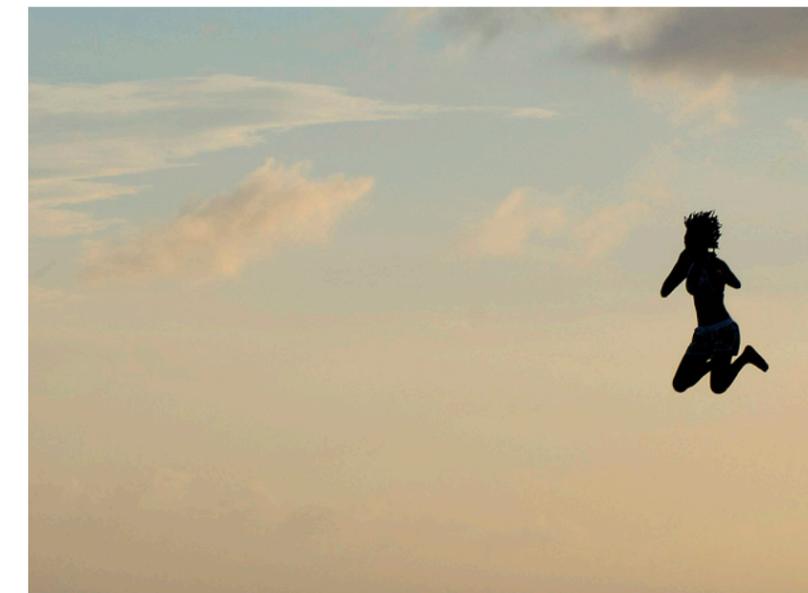
### THE WEEKLY LIBERAL

The Weekly Liberal is published on Thursdays. Subscribe at: [firstuniversalistchurch.org/the-weekly-liberal/](http://firstuniversalistchurch.org/the-weekly-liberal/)

Do you have news or information you'd like published? Fill out the submission form on our website!



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WORSHIP THEME: MEETING THE MOMENT

## TRUTH MAKES LOVE POSSIBLE

LAUREN WYETH

JUNE 25, 2017

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## Music for Gathering

Dr. Jerrod Wendland

## Words of Welcome

Lauren Wyeth

## Bellsound

## Prelude

*True Colors Variation*  
- Dr. Jerrod Wendland

Dr. Jerrod Wendland

## Call to Worship

*Coming Out to Ma Dear*

Frederic MacDonald-Dennis

## Opening Hymn #170 (Please rise in body or spirit)

*We Are a Gentle, Angry People* (verses 1, 2, 4, and 5)

## Lighting the Chalice

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

Lauren Wyeth

## Hymn of Prayer #123 (please remain seated)

*Spirit of Life*

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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## Readings

*Jesus at the Parade*  
- Bob Janis-Dillon

Lauren Wyeth

*Choice*  
- Alex Kapitan

Frederic MacDonald-Dennis

## Musical Offering

*True Colors Variation*  
- Dr. Jerrod Wendland

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## Sermon

*Truth Makes Love Possible*

Lauren Wyeth

## Offertory

*True Colors*  
- Tom Kelley and Billy Steinberg

Bobby Gillespie  
Dr. Jerrod Wendland

## Closing Hymn #1053 (Please rise in body or spirit)

*How Could Anyone?*

## Closing Words

Lauren Wyeth

## Blessing in Song #413

*Go Now in Peace*

## Worship Leaders

Lauren Wyeth

Director of Children, Youth, and Family  
Ministries

Frederic MacDonald-Dennis

Worship Associate

Dr. Jerrod Wendland

Pianist

Bobby Gillespie

Vocals

Kelsey Speaks

Song Leader

Deirdra Andrews

Chalice Lighter

## Chancel Flowers

Today's flowers were arranged by Cheryl Anderson of the Visual Arts Committee.

## Offering: OutFront MN

OutFront Minnesota's mission is to create a state where lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, and queer people are free to be who they are, love who they love, and live without fear of violence, harassment or discrimination.

## Summer Worship Theme: Meeting the Moment

Sometimes it happens in a small room, when your mind quiets, and the rhythm of your breath begins to lead. Sometimes it happens in a conversation, when you take a leap of faith and step into a hard conversation. Sometimes it is that crazy notion that will not be pushed aside, and you make an about turn that leads into an unimaginable freshness of life and purpose. Sometimes it's showing up in the streets, in a rotunda, in a meeting, in covenantal community. Sometimes it's showing up for yourself. The religious life is meeting the moment over and over again. Join us this summer as ministers and speakers from all different walks of life and contexts tell of their spiritual grounding, and stories of meeting the moment.