



LYRICS

Rune of Hospitality

I saw a stranger yestreen
I put food in the eating place
drink in the drinking place
music in the listening place

And in the sacred name of the Triune
He blessed myself and my house
my cattle and my dear ones

And the lark said in her song
often often often
Goes the Christ in stranger's guise
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Music by Alf Houkom
Traditional Gaelic text
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A Note About *The Weekly Liberal*

This Thursday (October 2nd) will be the kick-off of our new publication, *The Weekly Liberal*, which we are very excited about! *The Weekly Liberal* is a hybrid of the best parts of the 'old' monthly *Liberal* newsletter and the current Weekly E-News, redesigned and formatted into a digital, user-friendly format. It is our hope to provide vibrant and devotional content--in addition to relevant news, events, and information--on a weekly basis through this new communication channel.

If you aren't already on the e-news distribution list and would like to be, simply email Sandy at sandy@firstuniv.org and ask to be on *The Weekly Liberal* mailing list. Please note, too, that paper copies of *The Weekly Liberal* will always be available in the office and at Sunday's services following the weekly Thursday publication.

If you are unable to access the internet and/or email, and would like a paper copy mailed to you weekly, email Administrative Assistant Chelsea Bertsch at chelsea@firstuniv.org with your name and address to get on the hard copy mailing list.

The weekly deadline to submit content for *The Weekly Liberal* will always be Tuesday at 10:00 AM; any questions can be directed to communications@firstuniv.org. Additional information and an online submission form for content will be posted on our website--www.firstuniversalistchurch.org--within the upcoming week. Stay tuned!



BULLETIN

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 Sunday, October 5;** 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.

CELEBRATING OUR GENEROSITY

Offering plates from Sunday service

- 9/14 Open Arms \$1,036
- 9/7 Freshwater Society: \$864
- 8/31 Youth Farm: \$465

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

Circle Suppers

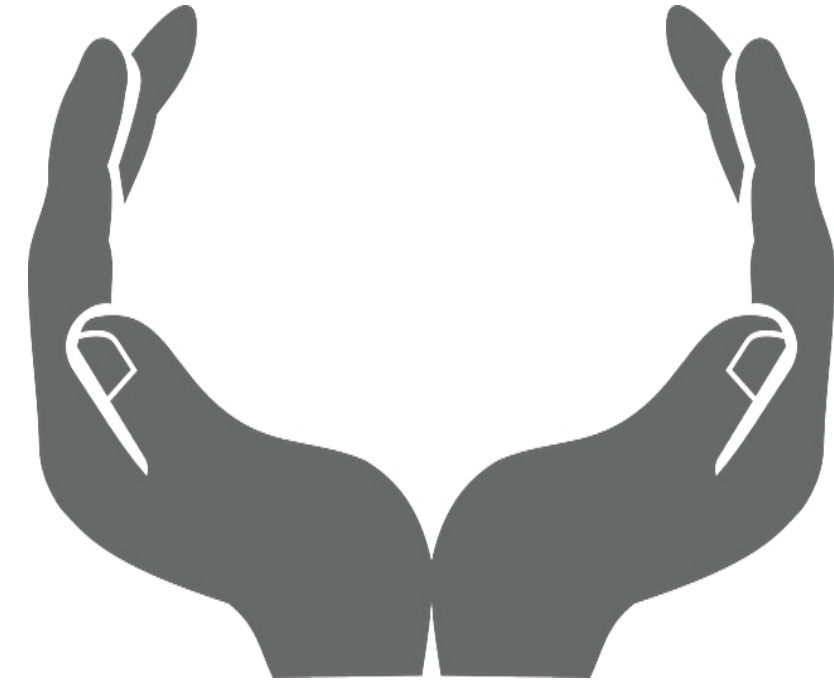
Looking for a great way to meet new people within the congregation and enjoy good food and conversation? Join Circle Suppers! Suppers run Nov-March on the first Saturday of every month. Small groups of 6-8 people meet at a participant's home for dinner where the host provides the main course and guests bring other dishes that are needed. You are required to host one time. The deadline for sign up is Oct 31, 2014. Please contact Marybeth Hoelzer for any questions (612-824-1121 or mhoelzer@mac.com).

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.

Children's Choir Starts Today!

All children, grades 1st - 5th who have signed up for Children's Choir, are invited to gather in Room 102 at 10:45AM for our first Children's Choir rehearsal. Please be prompt. Our rehearsal time is only 25 mins. If you have questions or concerns please contact our Children's Choir Director, Colleen Schaeffe at colleen@firstuniv.org.



*I Got What I Wanted...
Now What?!*

Rev. Justin Schroeder

September 28, 2014

Music for Gathering

Good night! from *On an Overgrown Path*
-Leoš Janáček

Dr. Jerrod Wendland

Words of Welcome

Rev. Ruth MacKenzie

Bellsound

Prelude

Meditation on Hospitality

Joan Griffith

Call to Worship

Ginger Murphrey

Opening Hymn #360

Here We Have Gathered

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

**Recognition of our Senior Minister:
Five Year Anniversary of Service**

David Bach,
President
Board of Trustees

Silence

Cycle of Life

Rev. Ruth MacKenzie

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 Guest House
-Jalāl ad-Dīn Muhammad Rumi

Rev. Justin Schroeder

Anthem

Rune of Hospitality
-Alf Houkom

First Universalist Choir
Dr. Randal Buikema, conductor
Joan Griffith

Sermon

I Got What I Wanted...Now What?!

Rev. Justin Schroeder

Offertory

Etude #17 in E minor
-Fernando Sor

Joan Griffith

Closing Hymn #103

For All The Saints

Blessing in Song # 413

Go Now in Peace

Music for the Journey

“Masquerade” from *Much Ado About Nothing*
-Erich Wolfgang Korngold

Dr. Jerrod Wendland

Worship Leaders

Rev. Justin Schroeder	Senior Minister
Rev. Ruth MacKenzie	Minister of Worship Arts & Coming of Age
Dr. Randal Buikema	Director of Choral Arts
Dr. Jerrod Wendland	Interim Pianist
First Universalist Choir	
Joan Griffith	Guitarist, Musical Guest

Chalice Lighters

Owen Knych 9:30 & 11:15 a.m.

Worship Design and Coordination

Rev. Ruth MacKenzie

Chancel Arrangement

Today’s flowers were arranged by Bette DeMars of the Visual Arts Committee.

Offering

The Center for Victims of Torture

The Center for Victims of Torture forges new ways to advance human rights and build a future free from torture. Through research, training, advocacy and healing services for survivors, each initiative they undertake plays a role in building a larger vision for the torture rehabilitation movement. CVT provides a bridge between torture victims, the local community and society as a whole, working to restore the dignity of the human spirit one survivor at a time.

Please join the Board of Trustees and the Ministerial Search Committee following both services, to enjoy anniversary cake together in the Social Hall in celebration of Rev. Justin’s five year anniversary with First Universalist 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 bringing them to the **back of the sanctuary**. Thank you.