



BULLETIN

Save The Date: Nov 15, 5:30-9:30 pm “An Evening in Venice”

We'll have a fabulous Italian Dinner, Gatherings Great and Small to sign up for, a live auction, and a 'duck pond' for chances to win prizes. Come join the party! **Tickets are on sale in the social hall.** Send donation submissions to Pam Vincent or Jane Baudelaire: pbincent1@comcast.net or jane.baudelaire@gmail.com.

Daytime Connections: November 20th

Exploring the Differences in our Values and Priorities at Mid-life Vs Later-life

Thursday, November 20,
11:00am-12:30pm, Chalice Room

Stories from a panel of church congregants (Kathy Coskran, Marion Dane Bauer, Jerry Sattinger, & Alan Sroufe) will be used to facilitate individual and group discussions about where our values have changed as we move from mid-life to later life. It is based on the research of local psychologist and author Trish Herbert in her workbook titled "Journeywell - A Guide to Quality Aging". This session will focus mostly on change, not loss.

After the presentation, join us for lunch at 12:30pm. A \$5 donation for lunch is appreciated.

For more information, contact Hal Schroer at theschroers@earthlink.net or 763-595-9515. To RSVP, contact Rev. Elaine Aron Tenbrink at elaine@firstuniv.org or 612-825-1701 x124.

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.

Music at First Universalist Church:

Updates and Conversation
Sunday, Nov 16, at 12:30 in Sanctuary

Wondering how our music program is moving forward? Wondering about directions? Want to throw out an idea or two? Join Rev. Ruth MacKenzie in the sanctuary, on Sunday, Nov 16 at 12:30 after the second service. All are welcome!

The Weekly Liberal: Your Weekly News Source

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 sign up online by visiting our website: www.firstuniversalistchurch.org and following the prompts. 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.



WELCOME!

CELEBRATING OUR GENEROSITY

Offering plates from Sunday service:

10/19 Northside Achievement \$1,123
10/12 Racial Justice Work \$872
10/5 Tubman \$987

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

Dedication of The House That Love Built

You're invited!

Join Twin Cities Habitat for Humanity for the dedication of the home of Mai Kee Lee (3026 Morgan Avenue N, Minneapolis, MN 55411) on Saturday, November 15 at 10:00 AM! An opportunity to socialize and tour the home will follow.

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.

Annual Winter Solstice

Once again, we will honor and celebrate the turning of the year, during the longest nights in December. Our Solstice ritual this year is **Friday, Dec 19** (please note the date change). The evening features chants, a story that leads us into darkness, time spent in the dark, and celebrates the return of the light.

*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 heart; 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 next Sunday, Nov 16;** 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.



*In the Universalist spirit of love and hope,
we give, receive, and grow.*

THE NEGRO PROBLEM: REMIX 2.0

REV. KAREN HUTT

When Mr. Henry "Box" Brown altered his geography and "mailed himself" out of enslavement, he typified the challenge of what space a black body should occupy and how it should be treated.

*What do you do when you see a black body?
How have black bodies embodied humanity?*

Think about how you react to, perceive and engage the black bodies in the geography of your life, your faith and your actions.

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Music for Gathering

Dr. Jerrod Wendland

I'm a Poor Wayfaring Stranger
-Traditional folk song, arr. Samuel Coleridge-Taylor

Words of Welcome

Rev. Justin Schroeder

Bellsound

Prelude

First Universalist Choir
Dr. Randal Buikema, Conductor

Happy
-Pharrell Williams

Call to Worship

Jack Gaede

Opening Hymn #116 (please rise in body or spirit)

I'm On My Way

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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Silence

Cycle of Life

Rev. Justin Schroeder

Hymn of Prayer # 123 (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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Reading

Rev. Karen Hutt

Musical Offering

Let Us Cheer the Weary Traveler
-R. Nathaniel Dett, arr. Samuel Coleridge-Taylor

Dr. Jerrod Wendland

Sermon

The Negro Problem: Remix 2.0

Rev. Karen Hutt

Offertory

Wade in the Water
-African American Spiritual, arr. Samuel Coleridge-Taylor

Dr. Jerrod Wendland

Closing Hymn #121 (please rise in body or spirit)

We'll Build a Land

Closing Words

Rev. Karen Hutt

Blessing in Song # 413

Go Now in Peace

Music for the Journey

Dr. Jerrod Wendland

Worship Leaders

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| Rev. Karen Hutt | Guest Minister |
| Rev. Justin Schroeder | Senior Minister |
| Dr. Randal Buikema | Director of Choral Arts |
| Dr. Jerrod Wendland | Interim Pianist |
| Nick Mordal, bass | Guest Musicians |
| Tommy Jacobs, drums | |
| Narissa Bach, keyboard | |

Rev. Karen Hutt has been a Unitarian Universalist minister for 20 years. She attended Meadville/Lombard Theological School in Chicago and served as co-pastor of Church of the Open Door in Chicago for 8 years. Later she worked as a pediatric oncology/trauma chaplain at the University of Chicago Medical Center. Currently she is a Clinical Pastoral Educator at the University of Minnesota Medical Center where she trains seminarians and lay people in the arts of spiritual care. She is also a behavioral health chaplain in the Fairview Adolescent Dual Diagnosis Unit. Rev. Hutt's partner, Ashley Horan is also a Unitarian Universalist community Minister and is the Executive Director of Minnesota Unitarian Universalist Social Justice Alliance (MUUSJA). Together they have a teenage daughter who is a freshman at South High and a baby on the way.

Chalice Lighters

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| Aristotle Pappajohn-Goldade | 9:30 AM |
| Maya Conners | 11:15 AM |

Worship Design and Coordination

Rev. Ruth MacKenzie

Chancel Arrangement

Today's flowers were arranged by Rita Franchett of the Visual Arts Committee.

Offering: Youth Farm

Youth Farm provides year-round programs for youth ages 9 to 24. From raspberries to radishes youth farm participants seed, plant, grow and harvest food and bring it to their communities' forks. Youth Farm feeds families through their CSA (Community Supported Agriculture) program, community dinners and other neighborhood events. Youth Farm grows food, and community.

Worship Theme: Fearfully and Wonderfully Made

In one of the most beautiful biblical passages, the psalmist states: "For it was you who formed my inward parts; you knit me together in my mother's womb. I praise you, for I am fearfully and wonderfully made. Wonderful are your works; that I know very well. (Ps 139: 13-14)" This month we recognize, accept and cherish that we have our being in a body, fearfully and wonderfully made. We age. We have limitations. We have gifts. We experience one another and ourselves in body and spirit. This month we explore our being in a body.