



GET CONNECTED!

Worship Theme for Summer: Sources

Within the pores and cracks of the earth fresh water gathers. Sometimes source water rises to the surface on its own accord. Sometimes you have to dig to find it. In either case, water feeds the body and sustains the soul. So too, sources for our spiritual life act in much the same way, gathering in the pores and cracks of our lives. Sometimes, a source of strength is easy to access. Sometimes you have to dig to find the well of faith that will sustain. This summer we explore sources: sources of faith, love and hope.

Join Us On Our Racial Justice Journey! Fall 2015

You're invited to apply to participate in the next 24-hour racial justice training led by Dr. Heather Hackman this fall!

Dr. Hackman's approach is multi-faceted, and provides a foundation for shifting our entire "lens" toward racial justice, as we understand the ways that race, racism, and whiteness work in the world around us. We'll be partnering with members from Judson Memorial Baptist Church in this training, as they deepen their commitment to becoming a faith community committed to racial justice. There is room for 30 First Universalist participants in this training, and we expect these spots to fill up fast. For additional information, visit our website at:

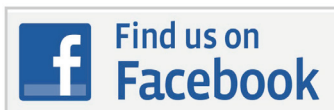
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Join The Summer Choir

Do you like to sing? Have you thought about being in a choir, but you can't make an extended commitment? Summer Choir may be just right for you. The Summer Choir is scheduled to sing July 12 and August 23. Rehearsals are at 9:00 a.m. on the day of the service. Yes, only one rehearsal on the day of the service. The music is easy enough to learn in the 45 minute rehearsal. All are welcome!! If you have any questions, contact randy@firstuniv.org.

LAKE HARRIET BANDSHELL SUMMER WORSHIP

Save the date for our summer worship service and picnic at the Lake Harriet Bandshell: Sunday, August 30 at 10:00 AM.



WELCOME!

CELEBRATING OUR GENEROSITY

Did you know that we've given away over \$45,000 this year to non-profits in our community? Thank you for your generosity!

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

Are You Visiting?

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, June 21

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 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.

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.

We are so glad that 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 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.

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 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.

The Weekly Liberal

The Weekly Liberal (our weekly newsletter) is on summer vacation starting May 29th. For the months of June and July, monthly issues will be published on the 15th of each month. The regular, weekly production schedule of *The Weekly Liberal* will resume on August 15th, 2015.

Do you have news or information for the summer editions that you'd like to see published in *The Weekly Liberal*?

Visit our website and fill out the online submission form!



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FIVE STAR SHELTER

REV. JUSTIN SCHROEDER

JUNE 21, 2015

Music for Gathering

Night Path Op. 85 No. 1
– Antonín Dvořák

Dr. Jerrod Wendland

Words of Welcome

Rev. Justin Schroeder

Bellsound

Prelude

Humoresque Op. 101 No. 7
-Antonín Dvořák

Dr. Jerrod Wendland

Call to Worship

Rev. Justin Schroeder

Opening Hymn #360 (Please stand in body or spirit)

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

Silence

Cycle of Life

Rev. Justin Schroeder

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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Reading

A Story
From church member, Tracy Jones

Rev. Justin Schroeder

Musical Offering

II. Largo [aka “Goin’ Home”]
from *Symphony No. 9* “From the New World”
-Antonín Dvořák

Dr. Jerrod Wendland

Sermon

Five Star Shelter

Rev. Justin Schroeder

Offertory

On the Holy Mountain Op. 85 No. 13
-Antonín Dvořák

Dr. Jerrod Wendland

Closing Hymn #201 (Please stand in body or spirit)

Glory, Glory Hallelujah

Closing Words

Rev. Justin Schroeder

Blessing in Song #413

Go Now in Peace

Music for the Journey

Humoresque Op. 101 No. 5
-Antonín Dvořák

Dr. Jerrod Wendland

Worship Leaders

Rev. Justin Schroeder Senior Minister
Dr. Jerrod Wendland Pianist

Worship Design and Coordination

Rev. Justin Schroeder Senior Minister

Chancel Flowers

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

Offering: Families Moving Forward

Offering Recipient: Our offering will support the Families Moving Forward Program, an initiative of Beacon Interfaith Housing Collaborative. Beacon’s Families Moving Forward program offers families experiencing homelessness hospitality, emergency shelter and a path to home with support for stability. From September 6th-12th, First Universalist will host four families. Today’s offering will help purchase air mattresses, blankets, pillows, food, and more for our guests. A sheet for a child’s bed costs \$15; a blanket, \$25; a comforter, \$30; an air bed: \$90. A sheet for a queen size bed costs \$20; a blanket, \$40; a comforter, \$30; an air bed, \$120. Volunteers are also needed. Please contact Peg Mitchell at 612-280-6119 or pegmitch16@gmail.com to volunteer. Thank you for your gifts of time and money!



Musical Notes from Jerrod Wendland:

Antonín Dvořák was a Czech composer at a time when the Czechs lived under Austrian rule. He was very much preoccupied by questions of national identity, and with writing a “Czech” music. When he accepted a teaching post in the United States, he quickly decided that “American” music must be based on the music of African Americans (a declaration that looks more like a prophecy, now that we have jazz, rock, hiphop, etc.). You can hear some African-American influence in the Humoresques and in the New World Symphony, the slow movement for which started as sketches for an opera based on Longfellow’s *Hiawatha*, and was later given the words “Goin’ Home” by one of Dvořák’s American students.