



CHILD DEDICATIONS

9:30 A.M.

Julius David Callender, one year old, is the son of Richard and Ilana Schonfeld-Hicks Callender and brother of Maja Ruth Callender. His family reports, “We hope that as he grows, Julius will maintain his curiosity, wonder, joyful spirit and quest to expand his understanding of the world.”

Margaret Rose Davidson, almost one year old, is the daughter of Amy Kerr and Collin Davidson. Her parents say, “We hope that Margaret grows to embody the values of love, inclusion, and hope that are found in this congregation.”

Torsten Kesler Pappajohn, age 5, and **Thora Kesler Pappajohn**, born in May 2018, are the children of Sarah Kesler and George Pappajohn. Their parents say they “hope that they become independent thinkers and embrace the UU rainbow path values.”

11:15 A.M.

Rose Giovanna Bernett, 6 months, is the daughter of Caitlin and Tina Bernett. Rose's parents “are eager to see her grow and develop in the faith community at First Universalist. We are excited to welcome new friends and relationships into Rose's life who share the values of inclusiveness and unwavering support.”

Vivienne Tiger Carlozzi, nearly one year old, is the daughter of Caitlin Rogers and Conrad Carlozzi. Her parents say, “We hope that Vivienne grows up in a loving community where she is encouraged to embrace who she is and how she can make a difference. We hope she knows her strength and lives with courage and compassion.”

Anders Lachlan Hollenkamp, 2 ½ months, is the son of Luke Hollenkamp and Cora Walsh. Luke and Cora tell us, “As Anders grows, we hope to provide him a community of loving support as he begins his search for truth and meaning in the world, and that through growing up in this community, he, in turn, develops a world view that embodies the UU principles and a loving presence in the world.”

Annalise Elaine Polonsky, 5 months, daughter of Nathan Ott and Naira Polonsky. They ask that we “support her as she grows up in this community and searches for faith and spirituality. In her journey she will make mistakes that will hopefully lead to self reflection and laughing a bit at herself. Most of all, we wish for her to develop into a strong young woman who knows her own mind and treats others with love and compassion.”

PATHWAY TO MEMBERSHIP

Is First Universalist feeling like your spiritual home? Join us for Pathway to Membership on Sundays, Nov. 11 & 18, 1–3 p.m.! This new member class explores Unitarian Universalism, the history and mission of this congregation, and the experience of membership. We'd love to welcome you as a new member! To register, contact Sandy DiNanni at sandy@firstuniv.org or 612-825-1701.

TODAY: YOUNG ADULTS LUNCH

Are you in your 20s or 30s? Join the First Universalist Young Adults group on the 1st and 3rd Sunday of every month for lunch and conversation after the 11:15 a.m. service. Meet today at 12:45 p.m. at the information desk in the Social Hall before we head out. Learn more about how you can be involved with the young adult community by emailing Molly Work at mollywork88@gmail.com.



WELCOME

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.

Are You Visiting?

Come to First Step, a brief orientation to First Universalist Church and Unitarian Universalism. First Step is generally offered on first and third Sundays.

Our next orientation takes place: Sunday, Nov. 18

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 11:15 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.

CYCLE OF LIFE

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

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 info**, stop by our Information Center in the Social Hall downstairs, call 612-825-1701, or visit our website: firstuniversalistchurch.org.

OFFERING PLATE

Recent offering plates from Sunday Service:

- 9/23 First Universalist Church \$2,412.40
- 9/30 Metro Urban Indian Directors \$2,001.13
- 10/7 Mental Health Connect \$1,334.97

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

Text to Give

To make a donation to the offering plate via credit card, use your smartphone to text **firstuniv** to **73256**. You'll receive a link to a secure form where you can enter your info. You may also use the Square Cash app using our cash tag, \$firstuniv. Thank you for your generosity!

GET OUR NEWSLETTER

The Weekly Liberal, our email newsletter, is published on Thursdays. Subscribe at: firstuniversalistchurch.org/the-weekly-liberal

CONGREGATIONAL CARE

New Child Welcome

For a visit from our welcome team, contact Sara McMullen at saramcminneapolis@gmail.com or Sara McLoone at sjmclloone@gmail.com.



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



NOVEMBER WORSHIP THEME: NON-NEGOTIABLES

A HEART THAT BEATS LOUDLY

REV. RUTH MACKENZIE

NOVEMBER 4, 2018

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Music for Gathering

Franco Holder

Words of Welcome

Rev. Karen Hutt

Prelude

God Is Here With Me
- Christopher D. Hogan

Chalice Choir
Franco Holder, Director

Call to Worship

Prayer for Living in Tension
- Rev. Joseph Cherry

Avery Lindon, Liv Dalby

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

We Are a Gentle, Angry People

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

Franco Holder

Child Dedication

Music for the Journey #168 (Children are excused to their classes)

One More Step

Silence

Cycle of Life

Rev. Karen Hutt

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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Welcoming in Joy

Reading

Instructions
- Sherri Hofstetler

Rev. Ruth MacKenzie

Anthem

The New Commonwealth
- R. Vaughan Williams, lyrics by Harold Child

First Universalist Choir
Dr. Randal Buikema

See where the beacon fires of Faith, fling glory to guide us.
There lies Our upward way o'er death, o'er hate and fear,
Trust we the light that burns so clear, and lift our eyes
Where Faith sees what heavenly hosts of great allies march on beside us.

Hope have we won from out despair, and joy out of pining.
Fast anchored, safe in waters fair we've lain at rest.
Hark! from afar on wider quest, life calls us now.
Then up anchor, spread the sails and point the prow where Hope is
shining.

Faith, Hope and Love, transcendent three, invincible union.
All this new world, from hate set free, You bind in one.
Nation to nation in the sun of life's new birth
Cries, "Hail Friend!" and Love proclaims to all the earth Our high
communion.

Sermon

A Heart That Beats Loudly

Rev. Ruth MacKenzie

Offertory

Corre Rio, Corre
- David Lanz

Franco Holder

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

We'll Build a Land

Chorus

Come build a land where sisters and siblings,
anointed by God may then create peace:
where justice shall roll down like waters,
and peace like an ever flowing stream.

Closing Words

Rev. Ruth MacKenzie

Blessing in Song #413

Go Now in Peace

Worship Leaders

Rev. Ruth MacKenzie	Minister
Rev. Karen Hutt	Adjunct Minister
Franco Holder	Pianist
Dr. Randal Buikema	Director of Choral Arts
Avery Lindon	9:30 A.M. Youth Reader
Liv Dalby	11:15 A.M. Youth Reader
Katy Carberry	9:30 A.M. Chalice Lighter
Matt Dalby	11:15 A.M. Chalice Lighter

Chancel Flowers

Today's flowers were arranged by Dick Rueter of the Visual Arts Committee.

Offering: Twin Cities Habitat for Humanity

Twin Cities Habitat for Humanity (TCHFH) is an ecumenical ministry whose mission is to eliminate poverty housing from the Twin Cities and to make decent, affordable shelter for all people a matter of conscience. Each year, in partnership with donors and volunteers, TCHFH builds or repairs approximately 50 homes. Additionally, TCHFH repairs 140 homes each year through the 'A Brush with Kindness' program and has served more than 5,000 local homeowners through the Mortgage Foreclosure Prevention Program. TCHFH vision: a Twin Cities region where hard-working families can own homes in healthy neighborhoods with access to jobs, transportation, and quality schools. Twin Cities Habitat is one of six Faithful Action Partners of First Universalist Church.

November Worship Theme: Non-Negotiables

What cannot be bought or sold, traded or transferred in your life? What is sacred? What convictions are sunk deep in the heart of this faith community, like footings on which a foundation can be laid and a structure built? Many of our Unitarian and Universalist ancestral mothers and fathers sacrificed much for their convictions, their non-negotiables: that hell was a fiction, joy was our birthright, and justice was our calling so that heaven might take root on earth. Rev. David Bumbaugh says it this way: "If we are to be the religious movement some of us dreamed...if we are to respond to the needs of the world from a liberal religious basis, it is critical that we be able to address and answer three central questions: What do we believe? Whom do we serve? To whom or what are we responsible?" This month we ask ourselves: what are the non-negotiables to living a whole and holy life, as individuals and as a religious tradition?