

FIRST UNIVERSALIST UNITARIAN CHURCH

Gathered in 1870



ORDER OF WORSHIP

Sunday, October 17, 2021
10:30 AM

PLEASE SILENCE ALL ELECTRONIC DEVICES WHEN ENTERING THE SANCTUARY OF THE CHURCH.

ORDER OF WORSHIP

QUIET PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP

PRELUDE

“Variations on a Theme by Mozart”

Reynaldo Hahn

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

LIGHTING OF THE CHALICE

**We light this chalice for the light of truth,
the warmth of love,
and the fire of commitment.
We light this symbol of our faith
as we gather together.**

*OPENING HYMN No. 1008

“When Our Heart is in a Holy Place”

Joyce Poley

*AFFIRMATION

**Love is the doctrine of this church:
The quest of truth is its sacrament,
And service is its prayer.
To dwell together in peace,
To seek knowledge in freedom,
To serve human need,
To the end that all souls shall grow
 into harmony with the Divine—
Thus do we covenant with each other.**

*DOXOLOGY

**From all that dwell below the skies
Let songs of hope and faith arise;
Let peace, good will on earth be sung
Through every land, by every tongue.**

TIME FOR ALL AGES

Brian Mason

CHILDREN'S SONG

Juliana Nord

**May peace surround you,
May love surround you,
As you go, as you go,
As you go on your way. (Repeat)**

PRAYER AND SILENT MEDITATION

PRAYER HYMN NO. 95 (*sung by the congregation, seated*)

"There is More Love Somewhere"

trad. African American

OFFERTORY

"Crystal Waters"

Pam Wedgwood

READING

Job 38:1-7, 34-41

MUSICAL MEDITATION

"Adagio, K. 356"

W.A. Mozart

MESSAGE

"Not an Answer, but an Opportunity"

Brian Mason

*CLOSING HYMN No. 1064

"Blue Boat Home"

Words by Peter Meyer; music by Roland Pritchard

*BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

"Variations on a Theme by Mozart"

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*** Please rise as able.**

OUR VISION

We are a safe haven, where all are accepted, valued, and connected. We support and encourage each other in exploring our religious, spiritual, and intellectual paths. Through our shared ministry, music, and meditation, we rejoice and mourn together. We are active partners in service to others. We bring light to social justice issues and are conduits for sparking change in ourselves, our community, and the world.

OUR MISSION

To transform ourselves and the larger community by being a bright and welcoming sanctuary of hope, compassion, service, and understanding—allowing individuals of differing spiritual and religious beliefs to experience acceptance and support, a sense of belonging, and continued personal growth as part of a free-thinking, inclusive church community.

WELCOME

Today's service is led by the Rev. Brian Mason, and the Worship Associate is Anna Gresch. The music is provided by Margaret Jerz, Music Director, and special guest Louis Pradt.

Today's Community Focus Collection is received in support of New Beginnings.

The cover image is, "Sunset Landscape with a Shepherd and His Flock," by Anthony Van Dyck (1599-1641).

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NEXT SUNDAY'S SERVICE

Next Sunday, October 24th, the service will be led by Greg Venne, guest speaker.

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