

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 Reverend Suzanne Wasilczuk. The worship associate is Carl Drake. The music is provided by the UU Wausau Adult Choir and Margaret Jerz.

Listening devices are available to help the hearing impaired participate in the service; please ask an usher for assistance.

NEXT SUNDAY'S SERVICE

Next Sunday, February 26, join us for "A Matter of Virtue," led by guest speaker Richard Olson. Please note: Next Sunday's service will be in-person only, and will not be recorded or livestreamed.

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The Reverend Suzanne Wasilczuk, *Preacher in Residence*

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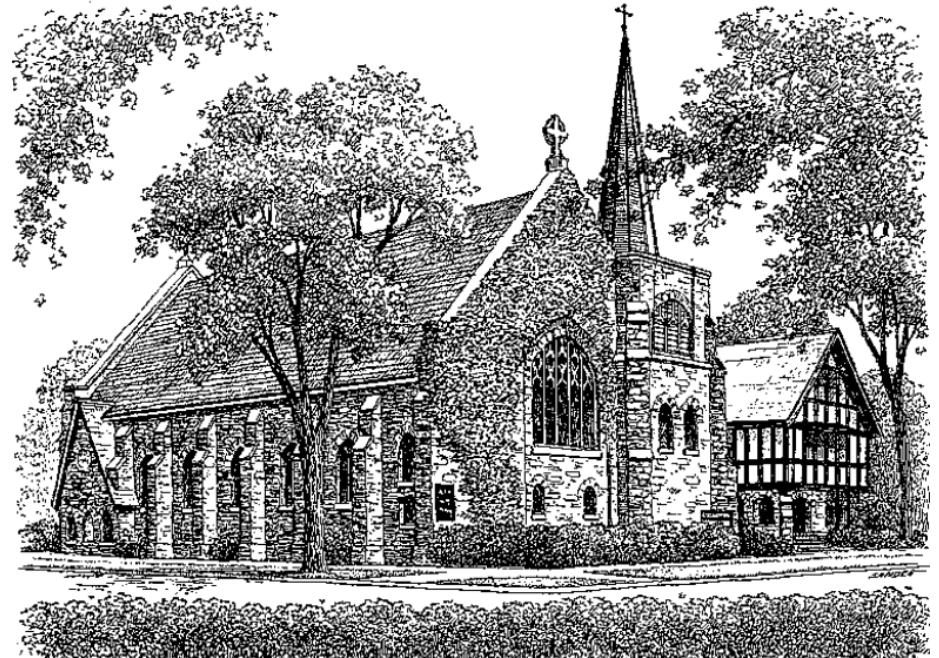
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FIRST UNIVERSALIST UNITARIAN CHURCH

Gathered in 1858



ORDER OF WORSHIP

Sunday, February 19, 2023

10:30 AM

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

ORDER OF WORSHIP

GATHERING MUSIC

BELLCHIME

PRELUDE

“We Choose Love”

Anna Egge & Adam Podd

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.”**

CALL TO WORSHIP & LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

* HYMN No. 86

“Blessed Spirit of My Life”

* 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.**

STORY FOR ALL AGES

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)**

OFFERTORY

“Sweet Elegy”

Catherine Rollin

PRAYER AND SILENT MEDITATION

PRAYER HYMN NO. 123 (*sung by the congregation, seated*)
“Spirit of Life”

READING

“The Episcopal Priest & the Buddhist Abbot”

Erik Walker Wikstrom

MUSIC MEDITATION

“May Your Life Be As a Song”

Words: Jim Scott; music: Yuri Zaritsky

READING

“Welcome Morning”

Anne Sexton

REFLECTION

“Prayer as a UU Spiritual Discipline?”

* HYMN No. 163

“For the Earth Forever Turning”

* BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

“Draw the Circle Wide”

Words: Gordon Light; music: Mark A. Miller