

Order of Service

Sunday, April 1, 2018

10:30 a.m.

+ **Welcome and Announcements** Jan Shay, Worship Associate

Passing the Peace

Ringing the Gong

Prelude *Prelude in C, by J.S. Bach*

Call to Worship “Our Souls Speak Spring,” by Evin Carvill Ziemer

Chalice Lighting “For Holy Days On Which We Recall The Old Stories,”
by Dillman Baker Sorrells

***Hymn** #269 *Lo, the Day of Days Is Here*

***Unison Affirmation**

At First Unitarian Church of Wilmington we seek to embody: love and compassion; growth and discovery; freedom and justice; wonder and joy.

Musical Response

Tale for All Ages “The Bunny Who Found Easter,” by Charlotte Zolotow
Rev. Kathie Davis Thomas

Departing Blessing *(sing through twice)*

For you shall go out in joy, for you shall go out in joy,
and come back in peace, and come back in peace, blessed be.

Prayer / Meditation “An Easter Meditation,” by Rev. Sam Trumbore

Shared Silence

Prayers of the People

Musical Meditation *O Sacred Head, trad. Easter Chorale* Choir

Reading “Exultet for Easter Morning,” by Rev. Mark Belletini

***Hymn** #270 *O Day of Light and Gladness*

Sermon “Easter for Fools” Rev. Roberta Finkelstein

***Hymn** #271 *Come Down, O Love Divine*

Stewardship Moment Jan Shay, Worship Associate

Congregation in unison: *To the work of this congregation, which is weaving a tapestry of love and action, we dedicate our lives and these, our offerings.*

Offertory *Prayer, words by Mother Teresa* Choir

Benediction “Being the Resurrection,” by Rev. Victoria Weinstein

Extinguishing the Chalice

Postlude *Allegro from Organ Concerto in a minor, by J.S. Bach*

* *Please stand, as you are comfortable in body or in spirit.*
+ *Ushers welcome late-comers into the service at this time.*

Pastoral Care Needs:

If you are experiencing an illness or hospitalization, struggling with a loss, facing changes and stresses in life, or just need somebody to listen, the Pastoral Care team is here for you. Contact Nancy Ball or Deb Griffin, the Pastoral Care Associates for the month, at NancyB@firstuuwilm.org [or DebG@firstuuwilm.org](mailto:DebG@firstuuwilm.org)

Thank you to all our volunteers!

CHURCH OFFICE:	Barbara Marrs
GREETERS:	Cindy & Steve Cohen, Barbara Perry, Suzanne Perry
USHERS:	Ron Grant, Helena Miller, Marty Peres, Lucy Rabe
SONG LEADER:	Richard Speck
PASTORAL CARE:	Nancy Ball & Deb Griffin
FIRST U LIBRARY:	Open Sunday mornings 9:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m., first floor classroom wing
WELCOME TABLE:	Richard & Joan Carter
NEWCOMERS ROOM:	No discussion on April 1 st .
AV TEAM:	Jon Claney
BOOK CORNER:	Eloise Peres
HOSPITALITY	Building and Grounds Team

OUR MISSION:

First Unitarian Church of Wilmington is a beloved community that nourishes minds and spirits, fights injustice, and transforms the world through loving action.

OUR ENDS:

At First Unitarian Church of Wilmington, people of all ages:
 Feel safe, accepted, and loved – and empowered to be our authentic selves.
 Gain new perspectives and grow as informed, spiritual human beings.
 Act on our shared values and UU identity to fight for a more just world.
 Experience wonder, inspiration, fulfillment, and joy.

First Unitarian Church

A Welcoming Congregation ~ A Green Sanctuary
 Sunday, April 1, 2018

Easter for Fools



Rev. Roberta Finkelstein

Website:

<http://firstuuwilm.org/>

Follow us:

#firstuuwilm on Instagram
 @firstuuwilm on Twitter
 @firstuuwilm on Facebook