

# Order of Service

Sunday, April 15, 2018

10:30 a.m.

+ **Welcome and Announcements**

Rev. Roberta Finkelstein

**Passing the Peace**

**Ringing the Gong**

**Prelude**

*London Trio #3 in G*, by F. Hayden

Donna Grantham, violin, Irina Schuck, violin, Karen Ahramjian, cello

**Call to Worship**

**Chalice Lighting**

\***Hymn of the Month** #1036 *Calypso Alleluia*

\***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 Rooster Who Learned to Crow”, by Janeen Grohsmeyer

**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**

Rev. Roberta Finkelstein

**Shared Silence**

**Prayers of the People**

**Musical Meditation** #1009 *(congregation remains seated)*

**Reading Adapted from** “A History of Church, Including Yours”,  
by Sean Neil Barron

\***Hymn** #12 *O Life That Maketh All Things New*

**Sermon** “It’s Only Change” Rev. Craig Hirshberg

\***Hymn** #295 *Sing Out Praises for the Journey*

**Stewardship Moment**

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** *Menuet from Fireworks Music G*, by G.F. Handel

**Benediction** Rev. Craig Hirshberg

**Extinguishing the Chalice**

**Postlude** *Bach Brandenburg Concerto #3: Allegro*

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

*We welcome Donna Grantham, Irina Schuck & Karen Ahramjian from the Wilmington String Ensemble to our service this morning.*

### **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!***

<b>CHURCH OFFICE:</b>	Carolyn Gibson
<b>GREETERS:</b>	Richard Speck, Maggie Duffy, Cinda Crane, Cathy Cambridge
<b>USHERS:</b>	Cindy Cohen, Janet Hall, Sidney Robertson, Sue Wilson
<b>SONG LEADER:</b>	Richard Speck
<b>PASTORAL CARE:</b>	Nancy Ball & Deb Griffin
<b>FIRST U LIBRARY:</b>	Open Sunday mornings 9:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m., first floor classroom wing
<b>CHILDREN'S RELIGIOUS EXPLORATION:</b>	Grace Laster, Noah Hann-Deschaine, Amy Gunderson, Michelle Frey, Liz Marek, Joel Pust, Kyle Williamson
<b>WELCOME TABLE:</b>	Donna Gonzalez, Jacqueline Kairis
<b>NEWCOMERS ROOM:</b>	Marge Stitz
<b>AV TEAM:</b>	Jon Claney & Jim Davis
<b>BOOK CORNER:</b>	Debbe & Phil Krape
<b>HOSPITALITY:</b>	Board of Trustees
<b>HOUSE PIN SALES:</b>	Benefit YWCA
<b>COALITION AGAINST GUN VIOLENCE:</b>	Debbie Zarek

### **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 15, 2018

***It's Only Change***



Rev. Craig Hirshberg

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