

# Order of Service

Sunday, February 9, 2014

10:30 a.m.

**Prelude**      *Ain'a That Good News*, arr. W. Dawson      Combined Choirs

**\*Invocation**      by Marianne Hachten Cotter      Rev. Michelle Collins

**\*Passing the Peace**

**◆Welcome and Announcements**

**Centering**      *When Our Heart Is in a Holy Place*  
*(Please remain seated and sing through once.)*  
When our heart is in a holy place  
When our heart is in a holy place  
We are blessed with love and amazing grace  
When our heart is in a holy place

**Lighting the Chalice**      by Eva M. Ceskava      Rev. Collins

**Unison Affirmation**

We affirm that love is our greatest purpose.  
Accepting one another is the truest form of faithful living.  
The search for truth is our constant star.  
We pledge our hearts, minds and hands:  
To challenge injustice with courage;  
To find hope in times of fear;  
And to live out our Unitarian Universalist values every day  
as a beloved community.  
Thus do we covenant with each other and with all that is sacred in life.

**Response**      *Ain't Got Time To Die* by H. Johnson      Combined Choirs

**Time for All Ages**      We Shall Overcome      Scott Ward

**◆Departing Blessing**      *For You Shall Go Out* – by T. Benjamin  
*The song will be sung 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.

**Meditation & Prayer**      Rev. Collins  
*Help Me to Believe in Beginnings* by Ted Loder

**Silence**

**Prayers for the People**

**Music for Meditation**      *Kum Ba Ya*, by M. Larkin      Combined Choirs

**Stewardship Reflection**

**◆Offertory**      *He Never Failed Me Yet* by R. Ray      Combined Choirs

**Story**      *Struggle is an Aspect of Life* by Howard Thurman      Rev. Collins

**\*Hymn**      #1040 *Hush*

**Sermon**      ***Working for the Kingdom***      Rev. Michelle Collins

**\*Closing Hymn**      #149 *Lift Every Voice and Sing*

**\*Benediction**      Rev. Collins

**Extinguishing the Chalice**

**Postlude**      *Elijah Rock* arr. J. Hairston      Combined Choirs  
*(Please be seated through the end of the Postlude)*

**Greeting One Another** – *Turn and greet your neighbor with radical hospitality!*

\* Please stand, as you are comfortable in body or in spirit.

◆ Ushers will welcome late-comers into the service at this time.

Today the flowers are dedicated to young people who age-out of foster care. Thank you to Suzie Cornell, who gave the flowers, and to all ILYA volunteers who provide support to these young people.

**Listening & Caring:** The Pastoral Care Team is here for you! If you are struggling, facing unusual stresses or changes in your life, experiencing illness or a hospitalization, struggling with a recent loss, or just need someone who can listen, there is someone here for you. Please contact Assistant Minister Rev. Michelle Collins or any member of the Pastoral Care Team, as identified by the red name tags.

**Thank you to all our volunteers!**

**OFFICE:** Rita McWhorter  
**GREETERS:** Burley & Helga Melton, Barbara Perry, Dee Burdash  
**USHERS:** J. Harry & Jackie Feldman, Deborah Haskell, Patricia McGee  
**FIRST U LIBRARY:** Open Sunday mornings, 9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. in the RE Wing  
**CYRE TEAM REP:** Debbi Zarek

**In the Parish Hall:**

**WELCOME TABLE:** Barbara Marrs      **UUSC COFFEE:** Steve Marek  
**HOSPITALITY:** Choir      **AV TEAM:** Jon Claney  
**BOOSTER CARDS:** Maggie Duffy      **BOOK CORNER:** Bev Bach  
**SOCIAL ACTION:** Independent Living for Young Adults  
**GROUPS & PROGRAMS:** Channing Society

### FIRST U'S VALUES, MISSION AND ENDS

**OUR VALUES:**

At First Unitarian Church of Wilmington, we work to embody: Love and Compassion, Growth and Discovery, Freedom and Justice, Wonder and Joy.

**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 Unitarian Universalist identity to fight for a more just world.  
Experience wonder, inspiration, fulfillment, and joy.



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