

Order of Service

Sunday, May 25, 2014

10:30 a.m.

Prelude A Medley of Patriotic Songs Scott Ward

***Processional Hymn** #347 *Gather the Spirit*

***Invocation** Rev. Dr. Joshua Snyder

***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 Rev. Dr. Snyder

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 *Favorite Things* by O. Hammerstein S. Ward

Meditation and Prayer Rev. Dr. Snyder
Memorial Day Prayer by Barbara Pescan

Silence

Prayers for the People

Music for Meditation *When Johnny Comes Marching Home* S. Ward

Stewardship Reflection Rev. Dr. Snyder

◆Offertory *Summertime* by G. Gershwin S. Ward

Story *The Postcard* by Lynda Sexson Rev. Dr. Snyder

***Hymn** #1024 *When the Spirit Says Do*

Sermon *Ordinarily Sacred* Rev. Dr. Joshua Snyder

***Closing Hymn** #205 *Amazing Grace*

***Benediction** Rev. Dr. Snyder

***Extinguishing the Chalice**

Postlude *Fantasy on Amazing Grace* S. Ward

(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.



Although not established as a national holiday until 1971, Memorial Day (Decoration Day) was first celebrated at the end of the Civil War. “Johnny...” was written at that time. My best friend’s favorite time of year is summer, and Memorial Day is the unofficial start of summer, thus “Favorite Things” and “Summertime.”

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, or fill out a purple pew card.

Thank you to all our volunteers!

OFFICE: Jean Kennedy

GREETERS: Marilyn Hyte & Patricia McGee, Mary Pat & Bill Bowman

USHERS: Diane Wills, Lew & Mary Collat, Letty Diswood

FIRST U LIBRARY: Open Sunday mornings, 9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. in the RE Wing

In the Parish Hall:

WELCOME TABLE: Linda Sanders

UUSC COFFEE: Steve Marek

BOOSTER CARDS: Paul Pinson

AV TEAM: Jon Claney

BOOK CORNER: Sylvia Tarzanin

SOCIAL ACTION: Independent Living for Young Adults

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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