

Order of Service

Sunday, June 14, 2015

10:30 a.m.

Hymn Sing Some of Michelle's Favorites! Scott Ward

***Opening Hymn** # 1064 *Blue Boat Home*

***Opening Words** Rev. Michelle Collins

***Passing the Peace**

◆Welcome and Announcements Ostin Warren

Centering *I Know This Rose Will Open*

(Please remain seated and sing through twice.)

I know this rose will open.
I know my fear will burn away.
I know my soul will unfurl its wings.
I know this rose will open.

Lighting the Chalice by Albert Schweitzer Donna Curtis
lit by Barbara Lenahan

Unison Affirmation Paul Pinson

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 *The Lone Wild Bird* Choir
soloists Miriam Priest & Lori Weddell

Time for All Ages *The Hare Who Married a Princess* Rev. Michelle
a Fon folktale from Benin, as retold by Raouf Mama & Margaret Read MacDonald

Interlude

Prayer & Silence *We Are Called*, by Natalie Fenimore

Prayers for the People

Music for Meditation *Breaths* by Y. M. Barnwell Choir

Stewardship Reflection Ostin Warren

Offertory *May it Be* by Enya Choir

Story *Stepping Back, Moving Forward* Rebecca Fisher
by Robert McKetchnie

***Hymn** # 170 *We Are a Gentle, Angry People*

Sermon **Burning Brightly** Rev. Michelle

***Closing Hymn** # 1028 *The Fire of Commitment*

***Closing Words & Extinguishing the Chalice**

Postlude

(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.

All are invited to a reception in the Parish Hall. A receiving line for Rev. Michelle will be in the Warner Room.

Listening & Caring: Our 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 any member of the Pastoral Care Team, as identified by the red name tags, or for the month of June, Rev. Josh.

Thank you to all our volunteers!

OFFICE: Jean Kennedy

GREETERS: Paul McGhee, Suzanne Perry, Marilyn Hyte

USHERS: J. Harry and 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

In the Parish Hall:

HOSPITALITY: Please join us to celebrate the Ministry of Rev. Michelle Collins

AV TEAM: Jon Claney

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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