

# Order of Service

Sunday, June 16, 2013

10:30 a.m.

**Prelude**      *Memories of Tomorrow* by Keith Jarrett      Karen Rege

**\*Processional Hymn**      #6 *Just as Long as I Have Breath*

**\*Invocation**      by e.e. cummings (adapted)      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 Howard Thurman      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**      *You Taught My Heart to Sing* by McCoy Tyner      K. Rege

**Meditation and Prayer**      *Merlin Said* by Patrick Murfin      Rev. Collins

**Silence**

**Prayers for the People**

**Music for Meditation**      *Soul Eyes* by John Coltrane      K. Rege

**Stewardship Reflection**      Rev. Dr. Snyder

**◆Offertory**      *Song for My Father* by Horace Silver      K. Rege

**Story**      *Leaps and Vows* by Vanessa Rush Southern      Rev. Dr. Snyder

**\*Hymn**      #83 *Winds Be Still*

**Sermon**      *Marriage as a Spiritual Practice*      Rev. Dr. Joshua Snyder

**\*Closing Hymn**      #323 *Break Not the Circle*

**\*Benediction**      Rev. Dr. Snyder

**\*Extinguishing the Chalice**

**Postlude**      *Summertime* by George & Ira Gershwin      K. Rege

*(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.

**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:** Barbara Marrs

**GREETERS:** Phil Dowd, Janet Jones, and Marie Oakberg

**USHERS:** Janet Hall, Alan Knight, Bill & Joan Flack

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

**DRE SUBSTITUTE:** Christine Glatt

**In the Parish Hall:**

**WELCOME TABLE:** Linda Sanders

**UUSC COFFEE:** Steve Marek

**BOOSTER CARDS:** Barbara Perry

**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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## *Marriage as a Spiritual Practice*

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