

Order of Service

Sunday, July 14, 2013

10:30 a.m.

Prelude

*Opening Hymn #347 *Gather the Spirit*

*Invocation by Maryell Cleary 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 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 *A Breeze from Alabama* (a two-step) by S. Joplin S. Ward

Meditation and Prayer Rev. Collins
When Life Is Messy by Richard S. Gilbert

Silence

Prayers for the People

Music for Meditation *Augustine Club Waltz* by S. Joplin S. Ward

Stewardship Reflection Rev. Collins

◆**Offertory** *Great Crush Collision* (a march) by S. Joplin S. Ward

Story *Caught in Her Own Web* by Edwin H. Friedman Rev. Collins

***Hymn** #1053 *How Could Anyone*

Sermon *Make Mistakes & Get Messy* Rev. Michelle Collins

***Closing Hymn** #299 *Make Channels for the Streams of Love*

***Benediction** Rev. Collins

Extinguishing the Chalice

Postlude *The Strenuous Life* (a two-step rag) by S. Joplin 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.

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: Kathi Weiss
GREETERS: Nancy & Paul Pinson and Suzanne Perry
USHERS: J. Harry & Jackie Feldman, Deborah Haskell and 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:

WELCOME TABLE: Barbara Marrs **UUSC COFFEE:** Steve Marek
BOOSTER CARDS: Paul Pinson **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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Make Mistakes & Get Messy

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