

Order of Service

Sunday, July 27, 2014

10:30 a.m.

Prelude Scott Ward

***Opening Hymn** #38 *Morning Has Broken*

***Invocation** by Connie Sternberg 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 Albert Schweitzer 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 *Riversong* by R. Emerson Men of the Choir

Meditation and Prayer by Jacob Trapp Rev. Collins

Silence

Prayers for the People

Music for Meditation *Nocturne Op. 9 No. 2 F. Chopin* S. Ward

Stewardship Reflection Rev. Collins

◆Offertory *Solace* (1909) by S. Joplin S. Ward

Story *God's Mailbox* by Marc Gellman Rev. Collins

***Hymn** #36 *When in Our Music*

Sermon *Making a Religious Community* Rev. Michelle Collins

***Closing Hymn** #1007 *There's a River Flowin' in My Soul*

***Benediction** Rev. Collins

Extinguishing the Chalice

Postlude *Amazing Grace* arr. A. Furnival Men of the Choir

Please join us in the final verse:

When we've been there ten thousand years
Bright shining as the sun
We've no less days to sing God's praise
Then we first begun.

(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.*



We welcome our guest singers, Matt Nolan (from the UU Society of Mill Creek Choir) and Martin Hargrove.

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: Jean Kennedy
GREETERS: Mary Pat & Bill Bowman, Jen Hann-Deschaine
USHERS: Diane Wills, Lew & Mary Collat, Letty Diswood
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In the Parish Hall:

WELCOME TABLE: Sandy Shipman
BOOSTER CARDS: Paul Pinson
SOCIAL ACTION: Ministry of Compassionate Action
UUSC COFFEE: Steve Marek
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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Making a Religious Community

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