

Order of Service

Sunday, December 29, 2013

10:30 a.m.

Prelude

Scott Ward

***Processional Hymn** #228 *Once in Royal David's City*

***Invocation** Ostin Warren

*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 *In This Flame* by S. Ward Jan Shay

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 #256 *Winter Night*

Readings

Holiday Meals

1. *From the Turkey's Perspective* by S. Ward O. Warren
2. *It seemed like a Good Idea* by S. Ward Tracy Spinka-Doms

Interlude *Meditation on What Child is This?* by N. Harmon S. Ward

Meditation *Sights and Sounds of the Holidays* by S. Ward Carol Scott

Silence

Prayers for the People

Story *Twick or Tweet* by R. Fulgham Miriam Priest-Benedict

◆**Offertory** *Carol of the Bells* S. Ward

Story *For Kids and Parents* by J. Viorst J. Shay

***Closing Hymn** #83 *Winds Be Still*

***Closing Words** S. Ward

Extinguishing the Chalice

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: Mary Jo Metz
GREETERS: Lois Morris, Erich Kuehn, Cathy Cambridge, Barbara Perry
USHERS: Bob Wynn, Chuck Miller, Linda Sanders
FIRST U LIBRARY: Open Sunday mornings, 9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. in the RE Wing
CYRE TEAM REP: Julie Brewer

In the Parish Hall:

WELCOME TABLE: Loretta Knight
UUSC COFFEE: Steve Marek
AV TEAM: Jon Claney
BOOSTER CARDS: Suzanne Proud

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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