

# Order of Service

Sunday, April 23, 2017

10:30 a.m.

◆ **Welcome and Announcements** Jan Shay, Worship Associate

**Passing the Peace**

**Ringing the Gong**

**Prelude** Shenandoah Anne Zwick Turner, pianist  
arranged by Keith Jarrett

**Call to Worship** “Wind, Water, Sun” by Seth Carrier-Ladd Jan Shay,  
Worship Associate

**Chalice Lighting** by Congregation of Abraxus Kate Franta,  
Worship Associate

**Hymn of the Month\*** #1068 *Rising Green*

**\*Unison Affirmation**

*With a sincere desire for our congregation to flourish, I promise: to be mindful to nurture my own spiritual health; to be attentive to guests and new members; to seek to understand others with humility and an open mind; to interact with my fellow UU members with integrity and respect; to use wisdom and patience in challenging or conflicted situations and to seek honest reconciliation; to be involved; and to uphold this covenant in interactions in the wider community.*

**Musical Response**

**Tale for All Ages** “This House Is Made of Mud” by Ken Buchanan  
Told by María McCabe

**Departing Blessing** (sing through twice)

For you shall go out with joy, for you shall go out with joy,  
and come back in peace, and come back in peace, blessed be.

**Prayer/Meditation** María McCabe

**Prayers of the People** – People are invited to call out names of those needing care, comfort and prayers

**Musical Meditation**

**Reading** Aurora Levins Morales María McCabe

**Hymn\*** #1064 *Blue Boat Home*

**Sermon** “For the Beauty of the Earth” María McCabe

**Hymn\*** #1047 *Go Lifted Up*

**Stewardship Moment** Kate Franta, Worship Associate  
Congregation in unison: *To the work of this congregation, which is weaving a tapestry of love and action, we dedicate our lives and these, our offerings.*

**Offertory** Ashokan Farewell by Jay Unger & Molly Mason  
Susan Ryan, Guest Flutist

**Benediction** María McCabe

**Extinguishing the Chalice**

**Postlude** Irlandaise, from Suite for Flute & Piano  
by Claude Bolling Susan Ryan,  
Guest Flutist

\* Please stand, as you are comfortable in body or in spirit.

◆ Ushers welcome late-comers into the service at this time.

**Pastoral Care Needs:**

If you are experiencing an illness or hospitalization, struggling with a loss, facing changes and stresses in life, or just need somebody to listen, the Pastoral Care team is here for you. Contact Jackie Feldman, Pastoral Care Associate for the month, at [JackieF@firstuuwilm.org](mailto:JackieF@firstuuwilm.org).

**Thank you to all our volunteers!**

<b>CHURCH OFFICE:</b>	Peggy Rawheiser
<b>GREETERS:</b>	Kathie Stamm, Cathy Cambridge, Helga Melton , Marilyn Hyte
<b>USHERS:</b>	Lew & Mary Collat, Letty Diswood, Diane Wills
<b>SONG LEADER:</b>	Richard Speck
<b>PASTORAL CARE:</b>	Jackie Feldman
<b>FIRST U LIBRARY:</b>	Open Sunday mornings, 9:00 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.
<b>WELCOME TABLE:</b>	Sandy Shipman
<b>UUSC COFFEE SALES:</b>	Steve Marek
<b>AV TEAM:</b>	Jon Claney
<b>BOOSTER CARDS:</b>	Suzanne Proud
<b>BOOK CORNER:</b>	Sylvia Tarzanin
<b>HOSPITALITY:</b>	Jim Davis' Adult RE Class - Jan Blanchfield
<b>CHILDREN &amp; YOUTH</b>	
<b>RELIGIOUS EDUCATION:</b>	Kim Tull
<b>WORLD CAFE FEEDBACK:</b>	Board of Trustees & Strategic Planning Committee

**OUR VALUES:**

We work to embody: Love and Compassion, Growth and Discovery, Freedom and Justice, Wonder and Joy.

**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 UU identity to fight for a more just world.  
 Experience wonder, inspiration, fulfillment, and joy.

**“What Does it Mean to be  
 a Community of Transformation?”**

**First Unitarian Church**  
*A Welcoming Congregation ~ A Green Sanctuary*  
 Sunday, April 23, 2017



**“Who’s In Your Web?”**

María McCabe