

The World Through the Eyes of Sondheim

September 3, 2017 10:30 AM
First Unitarian Church of Wilmington, Delaware

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

Passing the Peace

Ringing the Gong

Call to Worship words by Stephen Sondheim

Chalice Lighting words are from “Ode”, by Arthur O’Shaughnessy

Opening Song “*Comedy Tonight!*”
Chamber Choir & Sam Weiss

*Unison Affirmation

At First Unitarian Church of Wilmington we seek to embody: love and compassion; growth and discovery; freedom and justice; wonder and joy.

About this Morning Rev. Roberta Finkelstein

“*I Feel Pretty*” Women of the Chamber Choir

About Passion Jan Shay

“*Joanna*” Emanuel Acosta

Reading “Unrequited Love” Jan Shay

“*Losing My Mind*” Scott Ward

Social Commentary Rev. Roberta Finkelstein

“*Ladies Who Lunch*” Marian Sargeant

“*Barcelona*” Rebecca Fisher & Jan Shay

Meditation Green Finch Rev. Roberta Finkelstein

Shared Silence

“*Green Finch and Linnet Bird*” Tracy Sturgis

Reading Hiding Out Jan Shay

“*I Remember*” Martin Hargrove

“*No One is Alone*” Chamber Choir

Comments Why There are Clowns Rev. Roberta Finkelstein

“*Send in the Clowns*” Chamber Choir

Stewardship Moment Jim Weddell

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 “*Being Alive*” M.
Hargrove

Some Thoughts / Closing Words Scott Ward

Postlude “*Side by Side*”

This All Music Sunday was made possible by the *Counterpoint Society* of First Unitarian Church. To learn more about Counterpoint, speak to Scott Ward, Jim Weddell, or any member of the choir.

Stephen Joshua Sondheim (born March 22, 1930) has received an Academy Award, eight Tony Awards (more than any other composer, including a Special Tony Award for Lifetime Achievement in the Theatre), eight Grammy Awards, a Pulitzer Prize, a Laurence Olivier Award, and a 2015 Presidential Medal of Freedom. He has been described by Frank Rich of *The New York Times* as “now the greatest and perhaps best-known artist in the American musical theater”. His best-known works as composer and lyricist include *A Funny Thing Happened on the Way to the Forum*, *Company*, *Follies*, *A Little Night Music*, *Sweeney Todd*, *Merrily We Roll Along*, *Sunday in the Park with George*, *Into the Woods*, *Assassins*, and *Passion*. He also wrote the lyrics for *West Side Story* and *Gypsy*.

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 Mary Jane Simmons, Pastoral Care Associate for the month, at maryjanes@firstuuwilm.org.

Thank you to all our volunteers!

CHURCH OFFICE:	Kathi Weiss
GREETERS:	Renee & Charles Anderson, Jan Jones, Mary Jo Metz
USHERS:	Marty Peres, Sue Hodges, Lucy Rabe, Cindy Cohen
SONG LEADER:	Richard Speck
PASTORAL CARE:	Mary Jane Simmons
FIRST U LIBRARY:	Open Sunday mornings, 9:00 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.
BOOSTER CARDS:	Barbara Perry
UUSC COFFEE SALES:	Steve Marek
AV TEAM:	Jon Claney
SOUL MATTERS REGISTRATION:	Barbara Lenahan
INDEPENDENT LIVING FOR YOUNG ADULTS:	Care Packages

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

First Unitarian Church

A Welcoming Congregation ~ A Green Sanctuary
 Sunday, September 3, 2017

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Scott Ward, Honorary Minister of Music