

# Order of Service

Sunday, April 1, 2018

10:30 a.m.

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

**Passing the Peace**

**Ringing the Gong**

**Prelude** *Prelude in C, by J.S. Bach*

**Call to Worship** “Our Souls Speak Spring,” by Evin Carvill Ziemer

**Chalice Lighting** “For Holy Days On Which We Recall The Old Stories,”  
by Dillman Baker Sorrells

**\*Hymn** #269 *Lo, the Day of Days Is Here*

**\*Unison Affirmation**

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

**Musical Response**

**Tale for All Ages** “The Bunny Who Found Easter,” by Charlotte Zolotow  
Rev. Kathie Davis Thomas

**Departing Blessing** *(sing through twice)*

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

**Prayer / Meditation** “An Easter Meditation,” by Rev. Sam Trumbore

**Shared Silence**

**Prayers of the People**

**Musical Meditation** *O Sacred Head, trad. Easter Chorale* Choir

**Reading** “Exultet for Easter Morning,” by Rev. Mark Belletini

**\*Hymn** #270 *O Day of Light and Gladness*

**Sermon** “Easter for Fools” Rev. Roberta Finkelstein

**\*Hymn** #271 *Come Down, O Love Divine*

**Stewardship Moment** Jan Shay, 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** *Prayer, words by Mother Teresa* Choir

**Benediction** “Being the Resurrection,” by Rev. Victoria Weinstein

**Extinguishing the Chalice**

**Postlude** *Allegro from Organ Concerto in a minor, by J.S. Bach*

\* *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 Nancy Ball or Deb Griffin, the Pastoral Care Associates for the month, at NancyB@firstuuwilm.org [or DebG@firstuuwilm.org](mailto:DebG@firstuuwilm.org)

***Thank you to all our volunteers!***

<b>CHURCH OFFICE:</b>	Barbara Marrs
<b>GREETERS:</b>	Cindy & Steve Cohen, Barbara Perry, Suzanne Perry
<b>USHERS:</b>	Ron Grant, Helena Miller, Marty Peres, Lucy Rabe
<b>SONG LEADER:</b>	Richard Speck
<b>PASTORAL CARE:</b>	Nancy Ball & Deb Griffin
<b>FIRST U LIBRARY:</b>	Open Sunday mornings 9:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m., first floor classroom wing
<b>WELCOME TABLE:</b>	Richard & Joan Carter
<b>NEWCOMERS ROOM:</b>	No discussion on April 1 <sup>st</sup> .
<b>AV TEAM:</b>	Jon Claney
<b>BOOK CORNER:</b>	Eloise Peres
<b>HOSPITALITY</b>	Building and Grounds Team

**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, April 1, 2018

## *Easter for Fools*



Rev. Roberta Finkelstein

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