

# ***Order of Service***

*Sunday, January 6, 2019*

*10:30 a.m.*

**+Welcome and Announcements** Jim Curtis, Worship Associate

**Greeting Our Neighbors**

**Ring the Gong**

**Prelude**

**Call to Worship** “Winter” by Greta Crosby

**Chalice Lighting** “A Flame to Light Our Path” by Debra Burrell

**\*Hymn** #1017 *We Are Building a New Way*

**\*Unison Affirmation**

*First Unitarian Church of Wilmington is a beloved community that nourishes minds and spirits, fights injustice, and transforms the world through loving action.*

**Musical Response**

**Tale for All Ages** “The Golden Mountain” by Fisher and McKeel

**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**

**Shared Silence**

**Prayers of the People**

**Musical Meditation**

**Reading** “The Camels Speak” by Lynn Ungar

**\*Hymn** #259 *We Three Kings of Orient Are*

**Letting Go: The Coffin**

**Reading** “In Blackwater Woods” by Mary Oliver

**Stewardship Moment** Judy Govatos

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**

**Giving Birth: The Cradle**

**Reading** “The Journey of the Magi” by T.S. Eliot

**\*Hymn** #57 *All Beautiful the March of Days*

**Benediction** by Kathleen McTigue

**Extinguishing the Chalice**

**Postlude**

*We welcome Margaret Love to our service this morning. Margaret’s appearance is made possible by the Counterpoint Society of The First Unitarian Church. To learn more about Counterpoint see Scott Ward or Jim Weddell*

\* 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, the Pastoral Care Associate for the month, at [NancyB@firstuuwilm.org](mailto:NancyB@firstuuwilm.org)

*Thank you to all our volunteers!*

<b>CHURCH OFFICE:</b>	Mary Jo Metz
<b>GREETERS:</b>	Burley & Helga Melton, Cinda Crane, Barbara Perry
<b>USHERS:</b>	Dan Cicala, Greg Griffin, Marty Peres, Lucy Rabe
<b>SONG LEADER:</b>	Richard Speck
<b>PASTORAL CARE:</b>	Nancy Ball
<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>AV TEAM:</b>	Jon Claney
<b>BOOK CORNER:</b>	Bev Bach
<b>STEWARDSHIP TEAM:</b>	Pick up packets
<b>CIRCLE SUPPERS:</b>	Registration

**OUR MISSION:**

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**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, January 6, 2019

## *Coffin and Cradle*



Rev. Roberta Finkelstein

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