

# Order of Service

Sunday, August 18, 2019

10:30 a.m.

**+Welcome and Announcements** Tracy Spinka-Doms, Worship Associate

**Passing the Peace**

**Ringing the Gong**

**Prelude** *Come Sunday* by “Duke” Ellington

**Call to Worship** “We Are All Longing to Go Home” by Starhawk  
T. Spinka -Doms

**Chalice Lighting** Being Sanctuary by Jennifer “Jo” VonRue and Linette Lowe

**\*Hymn** #128 *For All That Is Our Life*

**\*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.*

**Tale for All Ages** “On the Night You Were Born” by Nancy Tillman

**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.

**Musical Response**

**Prayer / Meditation** Rev. Pamela Wat

**Shared Silence**

**Prayers of the People**

**Musical Meditation** *Immortal Love*, arr. E. Alexander Summer Choir

**Reading** The Prodigal Son (Luke 15: 11-32) Rev. Pamela Wat

**\*Hymn** #295 *Sing Out Praises for the Journey*

**Sermon** Rev. Pamela Wat

**\*Hymn** #1008 *When Our Heart Is In A Holy Place*

**Stewardship Moment**

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** *Healing Waters* by C. Harding Summer Choir

**Closing Words** Rev. Pamela Wat

**Extinguishing the Chalice**

**Postlude** *My Life Goes On In Endless Song* trad. Quaker tune

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

*Thank you to all our volunteers!*

**CHURCH OFFICE:** Kathi Weiss  
**GREETERS:** Pam & Keith Weiss, Kathie Stamm  
**USHERS:** Cindy Cohen, Maggie Duffy, Janet Hall, Sue Wilson  
**SONG LEADER:** Richard Speck  
**PASTORAL CARE:** Dale Megill  
**FIRST U LIBRARY:** Open Sunday mornings 9:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m., first floor classroom wing  
**WELCOME TABLE:** Donna Gonzalez, Jacqueline Kairis  
**AV TEAM:** Jon Claney & friends

**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*  
 August 18, 2019

## *Homecoming*



Rev. Pamela Wat

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