

**FIRST UNITARIAN CHURCH OF  
WILMINGTON  
SUMMER SERVICES JULY-AUGUST 2022**

**CHILDREN AND YOUTH**

Newborns - 6th graders: 10:15 a.m. to 11:45 a.m.

We meet on the playground or, if it is raining, in room 28.

**July 3 - Rev. Dr. Richard Speck - "Life, Liberty and the Pursuit of Happiness"** We celebrate the 246th anniversary of the Declaration of Independence. Where are we now? What issues confront us that keep us from perfecting the union? We will explore this in our service.

*Worship Associate: Rebecca Fisher Music: Kathy Harris*

**July 10 - Rebecca Fisher - "You are the Sky: the Path Out of Suffering"** "Every second I am on the path that leads out of suffering, suffering is there to guide me."

Practicing the teachings of Thich Nhat Hanh, I have learned to worry less and embrace the mess.

*Worship Associate: Jan Shay Music: Seth Hammonds*

**July 17 - Rev. Dr. Richard Speck - "A Simple Faith"**

What is the essence of Unitarian Universalism? How do we live our life to express our faith to the world? Why are we a small group of liberal thinking people? We will look at our faith and discover new ways of being in the world.

*Worship Associate: James Moser Music: Fish Castle*

**July 24 - Ed Ostrom - "Listening"** Hearing is a gift of nature; whereas listening is a skill often learned in the college of hard knocks. We'll examine the college's curriculum with the hope that practice will allow us to graduate.

*Worship Associate: Edris Harrell Music: Lotus Cheng*



**July 31 - Rev. Andrew Weber - "You are Sinful, You are Loved"** Some faiths stress the unworthiness of humanity, the sinfulness that we all share just from being human. Contrary to this, Unitarian Universalism tells us that we are beloved, that we have inherent worth and dignity above all. What does it look like to feel the pressure from both sides - to hear that we are sinful and yet we are also loved? Whether you believe in universal sin or not, you are welcome to come, explore, be challenged and be comforted.

*Worship Associate: Helen Foss Music: Linda Henderson*

**August 7 - Rev. Libby Smith - "The Courage for Joy"**

Poet William Blake reminds us that "Joy and woe are woven fine, a clothing for the soul divine." When we face the world's woe, or the pain of our own lives, we try to summon up the courage to be strong, to endure. But many spiritual traditions remind us that hard times call for another kind of courage too - the courage to experience joy, even in the face of hardship or suffering

*Worship Associate: Jacqueline Kairis Music: Kathy Harris*

**August 14 - Helen Foss - "Being Open to Moments of Grace"** It's those moments of stop-you-in-your-tracks beauty in nature or those of experiencing music that makes you feel like you are floating.

Or realizing you are in the presence of something unexpected and perhaps larger than life - a cultural practice you are privileged to witness, a child's awakening, a deep human connection. It just happens, and we cannot explain it. What do we do with it?

*Worship Associate: Ed Scott Music: Kathy Harris*

**August 21 - Rev. Dr. Larry Peers -“The Ways of Healing”** What do our own life experiences tell us about the healing process? What can we add to that understanding through various perspectives and experiences, such as those of contemporary writers, about “slow medicine?”

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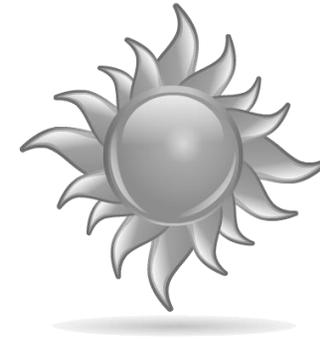
**August 28 - Rev. Larry Peers and Catherine Williamson - “It Takes A Life Time”** The Unitarian minister, A. Powell Davies stated that “Life is just a chance to grow a soul.” In this morning’s service, we will explore what contributes to our personal and spiritual growth throughout our lifespan.

*Worship Associate: Jacqueline Kairis      Music: Kathy Harris*

Join us for Ingathering Sunday  
September 11, 2022

Children’s Religious Exploration  
Begins September 18, 2022

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Join us Sunday mornings  
10:30 a.m.

In Sanctuary or  
Livestream

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