



Order of Service

Sunday, March 29, 2020 ■ Livestream Service at 10:15 a.m.

Our Mission

The mission of First Unitarian Portland is to create a welcoming community of diverse individuals; to promote love, reason, and freedom in religion; to foster lifelong spiritual growth; and to act for social justice.

Our Vision

First Unitarian Portland is a beacon of hope for us and for our community, a spiritual center in the heart of our city that helps each of us to find our moral compass, calling and challenging us to build the beloved community with an ever-deepening sense of spirit, diversity, and inclusion.

Text and translations for choral music in our services are on our website under Worship/Music Ministry.



In the coming weeks we will share our offering with First Unitarian's Emergency Fund for Congregants. We hope to support those members and friends most affected by economic hardship during these difficult times.

Prelude	"Prelude in Classic Style" Gordon Young	Signe Lusk, piano
*Gathering Hymn #1010	"We Give Thanks"	
Welcome		Rev. Thomas Disrud
Chalice Lighting		
Voluntary	"Found/Tonight" from <i>Dear Evan Hansen</i> and <i>Hamilton</i> arr. Alex Lamoire	Dustin Hunley and DeReau K. Farrar
Call to Worship		Rev. Bill Sinkford
*Hymn	"Have I Not Known"	
*Responsive Reading #534	"Gloria" Barbara Pescan	
*Doxology #123	"Spirit of Life"	
Time for All Ages	"Question Box, Part 1"	Rev. Sinkford
Offertory	"Pavane" from Capriol Suite Peter Warlock	Signe Lusk, piano Joe O'Donnell, organ
Pastoral Concerns and Prayer		Rev. Disrud
Silent Meditation		
Hymn	"Shine On Me"	
Reading	"Nothing is Static" Manish Mishra-Marzetti	
Voluntary	"If I Can Help Somebody" Alma Androzzo	DeReau K. Farrar
Sermon	"Question Box, Part 2"	Rev. Sinkford
Prayer		
*Hymn #293	"O Star of Truth"	
Benediction		
Postlude	"The New Commonwealth" Ralph Vaughan Williams	Joe O'Donnell, organ
*Congregation is invited to rise in body or in spirit.		

■ LEARNING COMMUNITY

Learning Community Classes and Childcare. All classes and childcare have been cancelled until further notice.

■ ADULT FAITH FORMATION

Younger Adult Virtual Dinner. Do you consider yourself a younger adult in this congregation? If so, you are welcome to join us on Wednesday, Apr. 1, 6 p.m. for our first 'virtual' dinner. Email kheintze@firstunitarianportland.org by noon on Apr. 1 to receive log-in information.

Over Our Heads: Listening and Reflecting to Our Worship Music. This is a virtual class via Zoom (video or telephone participation) facilitated by seminarian Jennifer Springsteen. We will use hymnal music as prompts to guide us into reflective writing. Participants can respond to the music we watch by writing prose, memoir, creative nonfiction, songs, lists, or poetry. **Details:** No charge. Spaces are limited. You may sign up for a single class or both. Thursday, Apr. 2, 10–12 p.m. And, or Friday, Apr. 10, 2–4 p.m. To RSVP, email Kerry, kheintze@firstunitarianportland.org.

How to Participate in a First Unitarian Zoom Gathering for Beginners. Are you intimidated by technology? You have probably heard that most of our church gatherings and classes are now being held virtually through Zoom. If you have felt nervous about joining due to technological barriers, this information session is for you. We'll compassionately guide you through Zoom basics so you can participate in upcoming church events. **Details:** No charge. Saturday, Apr. 11, 2–3 p.m., To RSVP, email Kerry, kheintze@firstunitarianportland.org by Friday Apr. 10 by 5 p.m. and please include your phone number.

Trans Inclusion in Congregations Location: Virtual Class "Welcoming is a spiritual practice." - Transforming Hearts Collective. This educational opportunity is for everyone from novices on trans identity to those with decades of life experience. Rather than simply offering a "trans 101," this class pushes participants to the next level of congregational welcome, relationship-building, and skills-building. It counters mainstream narratives about who trans people are; supports understanding of non-binary identities (such as genderqueer, agender, and two spirit); and employs a deeply intersectional approach. **Details:** No charge. Virtual course to be completed on your own time. To register and receive log-in information, email Kerry, kheintze@firstunitarianportland.org.

■ SOCIAL JUSTICE

Upcoming Events! Please stay tuned for alternative event dates for "Condor and the Eagle: Movie Screening" and "Reclaiming Stolen Black Lands in the Whitest City."

Speaking of Justice's Ninth Issue on Intersectionality! Find the link in the *Front Steps* e-News. Don't miss an issue! Subscribe here: www.firstunitarianportland.org/justice/speakingofjustice/.

■ OTHER NEWS

Auction Postponed! Due to the unprecedented circumstances, our annual auction has been postponed until Aug. 2020. The "Creating Connections: Designing Our Future" auction will be accepting donations from now until May 1, so please start thinking of what you will be able to donate. All events and services that are offered must take place after Sept. 1, 2020. [Donate ONLINE here](#) or for [donation ideas go here](#).

The Alliance Luncheon Scheduled for Apr. 1, 2020 Is Cancelled. Because we care about you and your wellbeing, the Alliance co-presidents and Leadership Team have sadly made the decision that we will be unable to gather for our April 1, 2020 luncheon due to the spread of the coronavirus (COVID-19). We have taken our direction from the leadership of the church, health authorities, and our local and state governmental leaders. We are sending each of you love and wishes for safety and good health. At this moment, we do not know about the May luncheon, but we will inform you as soon as possible.

Foundation Month. As Foundation Month comes to a close please join in thanking these members and friends of our Legacy Society who have included the church in their will or estate plans and therefore helped to secure the future of our Beloved Community. [Click here to see the full list](#). For more information on The Foundation and how it benefits The Church, see our [Foundation Brochure](#).

Update Your Church Contact Info Online. Go to the Contact link (upper right corner) on the First Unitarian homepage (www.firstunitarianportland.org). Click the Contact Information Update Form.

Do You Get the Weekly e-News from the Church? The best way to know what's going on at the church is through the weekly e-News. It comes to your email on Thursdays and has up-to-date information on events at the church. To sign up, go to our homepage, scroll to the bottom, and sign up on the form provided. www.firstunitarianportland.org or call the church office at 503-228-6389.