



Order of Service

Sunday, December 20, 2020 ■ Livestream 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.



For the month of December, we share our plate with three organizations providing critical services in our community. [Outside In, Clay Street Table](#), and the [Oregon Worker Relief Fund](#).

Prelude	Fantasia on "Greensleeves" Ralph Vaughan Williams	Joe O'Donnell, organ Signe Lusk, piano
Gathering Hymn	"From This Bright Hour"	
Welcome		Rev. Thomas Disrud
Chalice Lighting		
Voluntary	"Out of the Stars" Betsy Jo Angebrannt	First Unitarian Virtual Choir John Boelling, Director
Call to Worship		Rev. Bill Sinkford
Hymn #1060	"As We Sing of Hope and Joy"	
Responsive Reading #532	"The Music of the Spheres" Ernesto Cardenal	
Doxology #123	"Spirit of Life"	
Offertory	"Sans Day Carol" Jeanne Cotter	Signe Lusk, piano
Pastoral Concerns and Prayer		Rev. Disrud
Silent Meditation		
Hymn #398	"To See the World"	
Reading	"Let This Darkness Be a Bell Tower" Rainer Maria Rilke	
Voluntary	"Ubi Caritas" Maurice Duruflé	First Unitarian Virtual Choir
Sermon	"Turning Toward Hope"	Rev. Sinkford
Prayer		
Hymn #226	"People, Look East"	
Benediction		
Postlude	"Noel Nouvelet" arr. Richard L. Good	Joe O'Donnell, organ Signe Lusk, Piano

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