



First Unitarian Portland  
*Order of Service*

Sunday, April 7, 2024 | In-person or [Livestream](#) | 10:30 a.m.

April 2024 Spiritual Theme: "Interdependence"

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<b>Gathering Hymn — #175</b>	"We Celebrate the Web of Life"	
<b>Welcome</b>		Danielle Garrett, Intern Minister
<b>Auction Invitation</b>		Rev. Alison Miller & Danielle Garrett
<b>Chalice Lighting</b>		Religious Education Committee Members
<b>Voluntary</b>	"If We Pray" — Chris Rodriguez	Chancel Choir with DeReau Farrar, Director
<b>Call to Worship</b>		Rev. Miller
<b>Hymn — #163</b>	"For the Earth Forever Turning"	
<b>Responsive Reading</b>	"This Is Our Home, But Not Just Ours" — Laura Bogle	
<b>Doxology— #123</b>	"Spirit of Life"	
<b>Time for All Ages</b>	Learning Community Appreciation Ritual	Rev. Leah Ongiri, Acting Director of Lifespan Faith Formation & Family Ministries
<b>Hymn of Blessing — #413</b>	"Go Now in Peace"	
<b>Offertory</b>	"Reconciliation" — Brenda Austin	Parker Bells
<b>Pastoral Concerns &amp; Prayer</b>		Danielle Garrett
<b>Silent Meditation</b>		
<b>Reading</b>	"Let Them Not Say" — Jane Hirshfield	
<b>Voluntary</b>	"It's Raining" — Israel Houghton	
<b>Sermon</b>	"Dangling from the Web"	Rev. Miller
<b>Prayer</b>		
<b>Hymn</b>	"I Need You to Survive"	
<b>Benediction</b>		
<b>Postlude</b>	"Panorama" — Ron Mallory	Parker Bells

# A Glimpse of Upcoming Gatherings

Subscribe to our weekly "Front Steps" for FULL church updates, links, events, and special information: [tinyurl.com/enews-signup](https://tinyurl.com/enews-signup).

## Happening Sunday 4/7/2024

Learning Community students and teachers will begin in the service for Together Time today!

**Free Parking Every Sunday** in the U-Park across the street until 4p. First-come first-serve

**Childcare 6mo-3yrs:** Location: A103 Nursery

**Social Hour:** After the service // Fuller Hall

**Welcome Circle:** Right after the service // Gather at the Sanctuary's front right corner

**UU the Vote: Join Us For Community & Letter Writing**  
Right after the service // Blue table cloth

## Considering Membership?

**Sunday, April 7 at 12:15p // Location:** Channing Room. Come learn what it means to take that step!

**IMPORTANT NOTE!** This Sunday is the last day to submit membership paperwork in order to be included as a voting member for our annual ballot coming in May.

## Submit an Auction Donation!

Let your imagination run wild, [get inspired here](#), and start crafting another unforgettable auction experience!

**NEW DEADLINE!** Sunday, April 14



Submit Auction Item

## Recurring Workshops, Classes & Open Gatherings

**Alliance Presents...** Every first Wednesday of the month @10:30a in Eliot Chapel.

**Art Wall Exhibition:** Come down to Fuller Hall and enjoy a wide variety of art each month!

**Beloved Community of Color:** Every second Thursday evening and fourth Saturday morning of the month.  
[Email them for more info.](#)

**Caregivers Support Group:** Open to Newcomers. Fourth Sunday of each month at 9a [via Zoom](#).

**First Connections:** Third Sunday of each month @12p in Daisy Bingham.

**First Steps:** First Sunday of each month @12p in Channing. (April Focus: Considering Membership)

**Friday Vesper Services:** from 5 - 5:40p [via Zoom](#).

**Labyrinth:** Most second Sundays of the month in Buchan Reception Hall.

**Loving Kindness Meditation:** [resumes on Zoom](#)  
Mondays from 8-8:30p.

**Mental Health Caregivers Group:** Second Wednesdays every month via Zoom 7-8:30p. [Email them for the link.](#)

**"T" Time: A Trans, Nonbinary, & Gender-Expansive, Exclusive Gathering:** meet on the 2nd and 4th Sundays in Channing Room at noon.



Navigate to the [Front Steps](#) or [Church Calendar](#) for more information on gatherings: [beacons.ai/firstupdx](https://beacons.ai/firstupdx)

[Your donations support the work of this church.](#)

Thank you! Please feel free to add a note to direct your donation to a specific effort.

**Need help locating a room?**

Ask an usher with a red name tag! They'd be happy to help.

## Our Mission

First Unitarian aims 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, & inclusion.

## April Shared Plate

As a coalition of service providers, affordable housing developers, and neighbors with a shared vision of a region where everyone has a safe, affordable place to call home, [Welcome Home](#) advocates for policies that address the root causes of our housing crisis.