

First Unitarian Church of Louisville

~ A Member of the Unitarian Universalist Association of Congregations ~

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We are grateful for those who serve this morning, including:

Service Coordinator: Rev. Dr. Kathy Hurt

Worship Associate: Brian Daly

Chancel Decoration: Susie Ems



April 29, 2018

“OUT IN THE OPEN”

SPEAKER:

REV. DR. KATHY HURT

~ GATHERING ~

Gathering Music

Brytner Evangelista

Bell Sound

Welcome

Kathy Drehmel

Prelude

Married Life
from Pixar's Up by M. Giacchino

Brytner

Chalice Lighting

Lucy Hickerson

Call to Worship

Rev. Kathy Hurt

+ **Hymn**

Woyaya

#1020

~ AFFIRMING ~

Mission and Covenant (*unison*)

Christe Lunsford

We are a church of reason and spirit that
Witnesses for progressive faith,
Nurtures our community and
Transforms our world.

Love is the spirit of this church, and service is its law.
This is our great covenant: to dwell together in peace,
to seek the truth in love, and to help one another.

Joys and Sorrows (*unison*)

When I breathe in, I breathe in peace.
When I breathe out, I breathe out love.

Moment of Prayer and Meditation

Sung Response (*unison*)

Make us aware we are a sanctuary.
Each made holy loved right through
With thanksgiving we are a living sanctuary anew.

There's a truth beyond our knowledge.
There's compassion beyond our pain.
There's a spirit burning brighter;
There's a love to guide our way.

Invitation to Generosity

Kathy D.

With gratitude for the abundance in our lives, we give to the life of this congregation and to the life of the surrounding community.

Offertory

Ave verum corpus
Mozart

First U Choir

~ EXPLORING ~**Moment for All Ages**

Rev. Kathy

Song for the Children

Come and go with me to that land, Come and go with me to that land,
Come and go with me to that land where I' m bound. (x2)

There'll be justice in that land, There'll be justice in that land,
There'll be justice in that land where I'm bound. (x2)

Sermon*Out in the Open*

Rev. Kathy

Stewardship Moment

Devi Pierce

+ Hymn*Return Again*

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~ RETURNING ~**Extinguishing the Chalice** (*unison*)

We extinguish this flame, but not the light of truth,
The warmth of community, or the fire of commitment.
These we carry in our hearts until we are together again.

Closing Words

Rev. Kathy

Postlude

Moment by Moment
C. Berry

Brytner

Benediction (*unison*)

Here, may you know that you are loveable, and that indeed, you are loved.
And may you carry that love out into the world as a blessing.

+ *Please Rise in Body or in Spirit*

Infant and Toddler Care in the Nursery is available in room 214. The service is piped in to the library (the door by the organ) if you need to step out with your child.

"Busy Bags" are available on the Usher Table or ask an Usher.

Join Us Next Week: Sunday, May 6

Celebration of Life 11:00 am

From Among Us

Speaker: Jill Sampson

Religious Exploration 9:45 – 10:45

See Class Descriptions at firstulou.org/cre (children) and firstulou.org/lre (adult)

Nursery care is available 9:30-12:00. Room 214

Preschool-Kindergarten (Explorers) *Treasure Hunting-Take 2* Room 212

1st - 4th Grade (Seekers) *Spirit of Adventure* Room 207

5th - 9th Grade (Questers) *UU Youth United* Room 202

Nursery care is available 9:30-12:00. Room 214

Neurodiversity Devi Pierce will lead discussions on the difficult issues surrounding mental health conditions. Library, Rm. 103

Parents and Families Group Join Clare Gervasi, Co-Head of Magnolia Montessori, for a weekly parenting reflection group. In room 203.



All Church Picnic!
May 27 from 12:15-3:00

Church courtyard and social hall

Come celebrate together with

Food: Picnic Foods, Veg & Sides

Fun: Bounce house, tarot readings, cotton candy, face painting, bubbles, henna tattoos, & more

Friends: Church Folk!



Sponsored by the RE Ministry

Donations will be accepted

FYI

Worship Associate Training Are you interested in participating in worship services in a "starter" position? We will be training "Worship Associates" from **11-1 on Saturday, May 12**. It is an easy job, but important in setting the stage for worship. You set up the chalice, candles and the bowl for stones. You serve as backup for the decorations and chancel set-up. You may be given the option to speak during a service, or you may prefer to be a silent assistant. During the service you drop stones in the bowl and hold the bowl of stones for the celebrants. After the service you do a little straightening of the area - and that is it! The training will include pizza - it is lunchtime on a Saturday! Please RSVP to Pam (pamiddleton1@gmail.com). If you have been a worship associate, but want a refresher course and lunch - please join us!

Concert at TJ *"Music for UUs and Progressives"* Thomas Jefferson invites all UUs to attend Roy Zimmerman's "ReZist" performance on May 8th at TJ Unitarian. 7:00-9:30pm. It is hosted by their Social Justice Committee.

First Sunday CLCM Donations Next Sunday is the first Sunday of the month so it is time for our next focused collection of non-perishable food items and personal care donations for CLCM. Pick up some extras as you do your weekly shopping and bring to church May 6. Thank you!

Volunteer to Work Forecastle Festival Sign-ups will begin soon for this fun fundraiser for First U. You will work in a beverage booth at this midsummer music festival and First U gets paid. Last year we raised over \$1,000 this way. Once your shift is completed, you get to stay, free, as long as you like (admission otherwise is \$50). Send your name to kgapsis@gmail.com now if interested, and get family and friends to join in too! This is a joint activity with TJ Unitarian Church.

Last Week: Lost and Found Please stop by the table in the Social Hall during coffee hour and see if anything belongs to you. Any items left unclaimed after today will be "up for grabs" for a donation. The remainder will be donated to charity. Thank you, Resource Ministry. See Kathy Kremer for more information.

Christe's Graduation It's coming sooner than you think!! Christe graduates in Chicago on Sunday May 20th, at 3pm. Put it on your calendar NOW, and start to make plans. If you are interested in riding up with First U members/friends, contact Kathy Gapsis (kgapsis@gmail.com) to get on the list.

Welcome to First Unitarian!

If you are a visitor to our congregation today, we trust you will find meaning in our service. First Unitarian Church is a liberal, self-governing, self-supporting church in covenant with the Unitarian Universalist Association.

Children of all ages are welcome to remain with their caregivers. Childcare is also available upstairs in room 214. If you find you need to step out of the service with your child, the service is piped into the library (the door by the organ).

Free Parking: The lot off 4th Street next to the church is free all day Sunday. The lot off York Street, across from the library, is free until 1:30pm.

Calendar of Events <http://firstulou.org/calendar>

~ We Are a Welcoming Congregation ~

We welcome all persons to participate fully, openly, and equally, in all aspects of our congregational life, in ever-widening circles of inclusion. We respect and affirm diversity and its gifts in race, ethnicity, national origin, affectional or sexual orientation, family or relationship structure, gender identity, gender expression, sex, abilities, neurodiversity, age, socio-economic class, political views, religious belief, creed, or interpretation of religion.

Our Ministry Staff

Rev. Dr. Kathy Hurt, Interim Minister

Linette Lowe, Dir. Religious Exploration Christe Lunsford, Student Minister

Support Staff

Ethan McCollum, Choir Director	Brytner Evangelista, Accompanist
Barbara Creasy, Office Administrator	Elena Meeks, Childcare staff
Earl Reynolds, Building Supervisor	NaQueesha Puckett, Childcare/RE Asst.
Michael Purintun, Bookkeeper	Vantreasea Jones, Custodian

ZOOM Into First U

Members and friends can sign into Zoom and access the service in real time. Go to the website www.firstulou.org. Click on the “Worship” tab. Then select “Livestreaming our Sunday Service” and follow the directions. You can also go to firstulou.org/online-service. Enjoy the service.