

First Unitarian Church of Louisville

~ A Member of the Unitarian Universalist Association of Congregations ~

(502) 585-5110

www.firstulou.org

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

Service Coordinator: Brian Daly

Worship Associate: Pam Middleton

Chancel Decoration: Kris Philipp



Suicide Crisis Line 1-800-273-8255

Prevent Suicide

August 26, 2018

SUICIDE PREVENTION

SPEAKER: BARB KAMINER

~ GATHERING ~

Gathering Music

Brytner Evangelista

Bell Sound

Welcome

Pat Triplett

Prelude

Brytner

Chalice Lighting

Pam Middleton

Call to Worship

Barb Kaminer

+ **Hymn**

As We Sing of Hope and Joy

#1060

~ AFFIRMING ~

Declaration of Mission and Covenant (*unison*)

Jill Sampson

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*)

Brian Daly

There is more love somewhere.
There is more love somewhere.
I'm gonna keep on 'til I find it.
There is more love somewhere.

2. Hope 3. Peace 4. Joy

Moment of Prayer and Meditation

Brian

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

Pat

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

Rochester
Gabriel Kahane

Tyler Dippold
Ethan

~ **EXPLORING** ~

Moment for All Ages

What's Your Emoji?

Barb

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)

** This service is not appropriate for children under 12.*

A special discussion on dealing with emotions will be in the Open Classroom.

Sermon

Suicide Prevention

Barb Kaminer

+ **Hymn**

I Know I Can

#1015

~ **RETURNING** ~

Extinguishing the Chalice (*unison*)

Jill

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

Barb

Postlude

Here in the Silence

First U Choir

+ *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.

Suicide Crisis Line: 1-800-273-8255

National Websites: veteranscrisisline.net
sprc.org Suicide prevention resource center

Local Websites: kentuckysuicideprevention.org
afsp.org Go to KY page

Join Us Next Week: Sunday, September 2

Celebration of Life 11:00am

Labour's Love Lost

Speaker: Rev. Kathy Hurt

Labor Day Sunday provides an opportunity to reflect on the work we do for much of the time of much of our lives, and what it means beyond providing an income. While the term "vocation" now often is reserved for ministers, it originally referred to all work as a sacred task. Is the work you do sacred to you?

“First” Sunday Lunch Date Change

The September lunch will be held the second week of the month, on September 9. But we look forward to seeing you on September 2 for everything else!

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

Multigenerational One Room Schoolhouse (MORSH)

On the second Sunday of the month, adults, children and youth gather to explore the ministry theme through a song, story, mindfulness practice, and activity stations. There will be activities suitable for adults and children. This is a great opportunity to get to know our community members of all ages--you never know when you will make a new friend. Please plan to join us and support our efforts to grow community through religious exploration--together! We will see you in the Social Hall.

REminder

- * Register your child for RE
- * Sign up to Volunteer!
- * Sign up for Middle School Youth Retreat

Go to: www.firstulou.org. Under the Learning tab, choose Children's RE for the link. .See your midweek update for details.

FYI

Update on RE Staffing On August 26 Loren Crawford joins our church staff as the Coordinator of Religious Exploration and will spend the week working alongside Linette. She is delighted to be joining First Unitarian Church.

Loren was Faith Education Coordinator for Wellington Avenue United Church of Christ in Chicago until she moved back here to her hometown in 2010. Here in Louisville, she is a writer, an arts educator, a Kundalini yoga instructor, a sometime filmmaker and a fulltime mother to Jessamine, a senior at Sacred Heart Academy. Former chair of the drama department of Sacred Heart School for the Arts, Loren is very happily teaching drama at Walden School on Westport Road.

Her special focus is creating original performance work with young people. She holds a B.S. in Theater Arts from Northwestern University and has completed all coursework for a Masters in Liberal Studies, also at Northwestern. And she looks forward to meeting you all! Please welcome Loren, and be sure to introduce yourself.

Social Justice and First U Join us after the service. In July, a social justice "summit" was held to review our present social justice projects to determine whether we are focused on what matters most to us, and to look at new ways of working. A follow-up to that summit is being held today in the library, where participants will be asked to make some decisions about justice priorities and possible organizational changes to enhance our effectiveness. All are welcome (whether you attended the first summit or not).

Chalice Lighters Wanted If you're entering third grade or above, we'd love to have you learn how to light our chalice at the beginning of our Celebration of Life services. This is an important role in our service, and we want all children and youth to have an opportunity to participate in this way. Please contact Linette Lowe (dre@firstulou.org) before September 1 if interested.

Fresh Stop Market Contact www.newroots.org or Barbra Justice (velma2720@yahoo.com or 502-234-0607). The next delivery will be Wednesday, August 29. Order deadline: Friday, September 7 for September 12 delivery.

Church Phone Voicemail Our voice mail system is currently out of order. If you want general information, including questions about renting space, or need to pass on a message, you may send an e-mail to office@firstulou.org. Our regular office hours are 10am – 2pm Monday – Friday. However, if you need to come by, you may wish to call first (502-585-5110) to verify someone will be here.

Social Justice Book Discussion Thursday, August 30 at 6:00 Jenni Jennings will be having a book discussion on *Practice Showing Up: A Guide for White People Working for Racial Justice*. She co-authored an article with the writer of the book, Jardana Peacock. It is about their experiences at Standing Rock.

Chalice Circles Interested in joining a small group for discussion and sharing on the monthly worship themes? These small groups, called Chalice Circles, meet monthly and use the Touchstones resources to guide discussion. The groups are confidential, which means they are not open for drop-in attendance. If this sounds like something you'd like to try, contact Rev. Kathy (minister@firstulou.org) to indicate your interest.

Middle School Youth Retreat 2pm Saturday, September 22-2pm Sunday, September 23. Join us for the 5th annual camp. We'll be at the YMCA Camp Piomingo in Brandenburg, KY. The cost is \$75 for youth and \$55 for adult chaperones. Register online (www.firstulou.org) under "events." The deadline is September 14.

Rise for Climate, Jobs, and Justice Louisville Saturday, September 8, at 10:00am on the steps of Metro Hall, citizens of Kentuckiana will present Louisville Metro Council with a draft resolution that will call for a community-wide goal of 100% renewable energy by a certain date. We will join thousands of rallies in cities and town across the world to demand our local leaders commit to building a fossil free world that works for all of us. For more information, contact Roger Ohlman (rohlman@twc.com or 502-635-1572).

CLCM 50th Anniversary Gala Sunday, September 30 from 3:00-6:00pm. Appetizers, drinks, music, silent auction, and a great celebration of CLCM. Tickets \$50. See Lois Allen, Mary Ballard, or Linette Lowe to purchase tickets. Help us reach our goal of raising \$50,000! 225 Breckinridge Street. 40203

Renew or Sign-Up for Kroger Community Rewards Kroger gives money to non-profit groups each quarter. Be sure to designate First U to receive a percentage of your spending at Kroger at no cost to you.

Sign up online by going to Kroger.com/communityrewards and click *Enroll*. Search for First Unitarian by name or by the NPO number, CN305, and link your Kroger Plus Card by selecting "enroll." Individual purchases will begin counting towards First Unitarian within 7-10 days of registering your Kroger Plus Cards online.

Every time you shop for groceries and scan your card, First U automatically starts earning a rebate. Please note that all supporters must re-enroll each August.

Louisville United Against Violence (once known as Hands Across Louisville) September 30 is once more sponsoring this event to combat violence in our city and to build unity across the 9th Street Divide. The day will begin at 2 p.m. with an interfaith prayer service (including Rev. Kathy) at St. Augustine Catholic Church community center at 1310 W. Broadway. From 2:45 pm – 3:30 pm community leaders will lead a community engagement rally (including Metro Councilwoman Barbara Sexton-Smith, US KY Rep. John Yarmuth, the Urban League, Safe and Healthy Neighborhoods, etc.). We will hear about many of the great things happening in West Louisville plus have the opportunity to learn about how we can make a change for good in some of the city's most underserved neighborhoods.

The hand-holding along Broadway, where we make a visible commitment of unity against violence, is held from 4:00 - 4:30 p.m. First U's block is between 6th and 7th Street. Talk to either Trish Ramey, event co-chair, or Bethany Borgamenke, First Unitarian block captain, to sign up and/or learn more. Trish will also be selling "fabulous" t-shirts that help us cover our costs.

TARC is giving us free service along Broadway all afternoon that day. All you have to do is show them one of our flyers or cards (available from Trish). You may also park on any side street along Broadway, or behind St. Augustine, if there is room.

Save the Date: October 7
Blessing of the Animals 11:00
New to UU Class at 12:30

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, Director of Religious Exploration

Support Staff

Barbara Creasy, Office Administrator

Ethan McCollum, Choir Director

Michael Purintun, Bookkeeper

Brytner Evangelista, Accompanist

Vantreasea Jones, Custodian

Elena Meeks, Childcare staff

NaQueesha Puckett, Childcare/RE Asst.

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.