

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. Kathy Hurt

Worship Associate: Jill Sampson

Chancel Decoration: Lois Allen



July 15, 2018

SPELLBOUND

SPEAKER:

REV. DR. KATHY HURT

~ GATHERING ~

Gathering Music

Ethan McCollum

Bell Sound

Welcome

Jill Sampson

Prelude

The Time That is No More
C. V. Alkan

Ethan

Chalice Lighting

Madeline Sherman

Call to Worship

Rev. Kathy Hurt

+ **Hymn**

We Laugh, We Cry

#354, verses 1 and 4

~ AFFIRMING ~

Declaration of Mission and Covenant (*unison*)

Rev. Kathy

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*)

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

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

Jill

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

Impromptu in G-Flat Major
Schubert

Ethan

~ **EXPLORING** ~

Moment for All Ages

Rev. Kathy

Sermon

Spellbound

Rev. Kathy

+ **Hymn**

Soon the Day Will Arrive

#146

~ **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

Ethan

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*

Children's Celebration Ahh, summertime. Everyone needs a break, including our wonderful Children's Celebration volunteers. There will not be Children's Celebration during the service. However, there will be childcare available for infants and toddlers in Room 214. Happy summer!

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, July 22
Celebration of Life 11:00 am**

Building Bridges: A Community Conversation with Muslim Women
Speaker: Naile Demirel. Moderated by Jeannie Samdani

Our service next Sunday will be presented by a group of women who call themselves, *Muslim Women Building Bridges*, They are giving presentations in churches and organizations around Louisville to build awareness of the peaceful nature of Islam. Our service will include a reading from Islamic scripture, an Islamic children's tale, *The Old Woman and the Prophet*. and a panel of these women prepared to answer any questions you may have about Islam. The lead presenter of the panel, Naile Demirel, will provide a short overview of Islam. The panel moderator will be Jeannie Samdani.

Before the service, you are invited to join us for a discussion format class in Adult RE. Please read the description below.

Summer Religious Exploration 9:45 – 10:45

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

Children's RE: *Summer PlaySpace* - Courtyard

Adult RE: Please join us in the Library for a discussion format class. We will begin with a short slideshow followed by Q&A with a panel of women from "*Muslim Women Building Bridges*." The lead presenter will be Rona Osman. The discussion will be moderated by Jeannie Samdani.

A Summit on Social Justice: Today

Join congregational social justice leaders and Rev. Kathy for some discernment and discussion about how our church does the work of social justice. Some questions we will consider:

- What are our most important projects?
- Are there some projects that should be set aside in order to free up time and energy of volunteers?
- How can social justice be woven into more areas of church life?
- What organizational changes do we need to make in order to be more effective in our justice work?
- What matters most to us?

The meeting will be held in the Library following the worship service. If there are too many people, it will be in the social hall.

FYI

CLCM Personal Care Closet CLCM notified the church this week that they are especially in need of shampoo, toothpaste, and deodorant. Can you add to your shopping list some of these items? Dish soap, laundry detergent (liquid or pods only), bar soap, toilet paper, shampoo, deodorant, toothbrushes, toothpaste and razors. Place your items in the hamper on the way to the kitchen from the lobby. Thank you for supporting our neighbors.

Tablecloths If you happen to have taken home some off white tablecloths to wash at some time, the Aesthetics Team asks that you please return them (it). We noticed that we were missing a few of the off white tablecloths when we were setting up for July's Sunday Luncheon. Thank you, Bev Daly and Kathy Thackeray.

Bread Communion July 29 As part of the Lammas Service, the presenters would like to invite everyone in the congregation to bring a bread significant to their family, heritage, or celebrations. The breads will adorn the Chancel table and be shared with our church family.

“First” Sunday Lunch Date Change The August and September lunches will be held the second weeks of the month, August 12 and September 9. This allows us to have lunch after the Water Communion in August and avoid Labor Day Weekend in September.

Annual Water Communion August 12 As we come back together after our summer holidays and adventures, we will share real or virtual waters, symbolizing our journeys, experiences, and life lessons. The “First Sunday” Lunch will take place that day as well.

Fresh Stop Market Share prices are income based, and EBT is accepted. For information about ordering, volunteering, or anything else, please contact Barbra Justice (velma2720@yahoo.com or 502-234-0607) or the New Roots office (www.newroots.org or at 502-509-6770).

Next delivery: Wednesday, July 18

Order deadline: Friday, July 27 for August 1 delivery

Preview Trivia Question: The famous American writer Samuel Langhorne Clemens is better known by what pen name? Think you know the answer? Enjoyed stretching your brain? Imagine doing some more, with your church friends, at the Women's Alliance Trivia Night, benefitting CLCM, on Saturday August 4. Doors open at 6pm, and trivia starts at 7pm, here at First U. Pizza, drinks and desserts available. \$10 per person. Have questions? trivia40203@outlook.com.

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

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.