

Gathering Music

Brytner Evangelista

Bell Sound

Welcome

Kristi Drehmel

Prelude

Call to Worship

First U Choir

Chalice Lighting

Sophie Winstead

Call to Worship

Rev. Kathy Hurt

+ Hymn

Break Not the Circle

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~ AFFIRMING ~

Our Covenant (*unison*)

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*)

May I be filled with lovingkindness. May I be well.
May I be filled with lovingkindness. May I be well.
May I be peaceful and at ease. May I be whole.

2. Replace "I" with "you."

Invitation to Generosity

Kristi

*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

Prelude in D-Flat Major
Daniel Light

Brytner

~ EXPLORING ~

Congregation:

We receive you with open hands and hearts!

As you join us, we once again renew our own commitment to this religious community.

We seek to be open and inclusive, respecting your inherent dignity, your ideas and your vision, in times when it is easy and in times when it is difficult.

In turn, we ask that you recognize our humanity: we will not always live up to our ideals. When we fall short, we invite you to stay in relationship with us and help us more fully live into our covenant.

We are proud and happy to have you among us. Welcome!

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

What if My Enemies Don't Deserve to be Loved?

Rev. Kathy

+ **Hymn**

Lean on Me

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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

Postlude

Let the Love Shine Through
Carl Strommen

First U Choir

Our Mission (*unison*)

Rev. Kathy

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

+ *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: October 28

Celebration of Life 11:00am

"Occupy ICE and the Democratization of Immigration"

Speaker: Jenny Bencomo-Suarez

Join us to learn about the complex issues relating to movement of people to this country and how Mijente Louisville and Occupy ICE fit in this confusing and difficult problem.

Our speaker, Jenny Bencomo-Suarez was an active participant in the Occupy ICE actions in Louisville this summer. She will share her perspective on this often misunderstood group. Ms. Bencomo-Suarez is a Cuban-American member of the Mijente Louisville and a regular volunteer with La Casita. She is currently a Cultural Anthropology and Middle Eastern Studies major at the University of Louisville.

October 28 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

Adult Classes Meeting October 28

Popcorn Theology in the Library, room 103

Tending the Flame: The Art of UU Parenting in room 203

Women's Spirituality Group closed group meets in the Parlor

November 4 Celebration of Life: Day of the Dead

On November 4 our worship service will be a celebration of the Day of the Dead holiday, a time for treasuring memories of those we loved and have said goodbye to. You're invited to bring an item to the service that morning which reminds you of a special loved one, and there will be time to place that item on the altar we build. Other events that day include:

- Bring your piggybank. The kids will be trick-or-treating for UNICEF. Everyone (adults and children) is welcome to dress up. (see FYI)
- First Sunday lunch and a Halloween Party for the children after the service.

FYI

Fall Back: November 4 Daylight Savings Time ends Sunday morning at 2am. Set your clock back one hour before you go to bed and you'll be right on time for RE and the special Celebration of Life the next morning.

Chamber Music Benefit Concert Sunday, November 4 at 7pm at First U. The concert is hosted by Ethan James McCollum. While admission is free, we encourage you to offer a donation of any value, no matter how large or small. 100% of the proceeds will go toward New Roots Fresh Stop Markets!! (<http://www.facebook.com/events/1171887856285861/>).

La Casita Center Wishlist The La Casita Center ("La Casita" roughly translates to "home") is a grassroots non-profit in Louisville, KY accompanying families in the Latin@ community. Its mission is to empower these families, providing a foundation for systemic change with long-term effects. Its hospitality program provides services to hundreds of families every week. Donations are essential to La Casita! Currently, they are in need of a 10-quart soup pot and a 30-cup coffee urn. If you can donate any of these, or if you are interested in what else they need, please contact Kathy Kremer (kathykremer11@gmail.com or 502-445-4662). Thank you.

Fresh Stop Market New Roots (www.newroots.org) or Barbra Justice (velma2720@yahoo.com or 502-234-0607).

Last Delivery of the Season: Wednesday, October 24

Kundalini Yoga on the second and fourth Sundays. Join us next week at 2pm in the choir room. Loren Crawford teaches this drop-in, free-will donation class that is open to every experience level and ability. Bring your own yoga mat or blanket (or sit in a chair), wear comfortable clothes. Each class includes exercises, deep relaxation and meditation. You will feel better!

Trick or Treat for UNICEF Sunday, November 4



Come Trick-or-Treat with us and help children all over the world! Children, youth and adults are invited to wear your (not too scary) costumes to church.

We will trick-or-treat during the service, so bring your piggy banks and dig deep. Please bring change and small bills to the service for the kids to collect and let's see if we can break our record amount of \$420!

The service is followed by the church luncheon with a Halloween party for the children upstairs.

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

Loren Crawford, Coordinator of Religious Exploration

Support Staff

Barbara Creasy, Office Administrator

Ethan McCollum, Choir Director

Michael Purintun, Bookkeeper

Brytner Evangelista, Accompanist

Vantreasea Jones, Building Manager

Elena Meeks, Childcare

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.