



FIRST UNITARIAN STAFF

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We are grateful for our volunteers this morning:

Worship Associate
Thackeray

Kathy

Greeters

Rita Sasse and Jayme Haslam

Ushers:

Debbie Silverman and Kyle Ellison

First Unitarian Church of Louisville

~ A member of the Unitarian Universalist Association of Congregations ~

CELEBRATION OF LIFE

NOVEMBER 8, 2009

MY GRANDMA WAS A MARINE

"I don't know what you're doin' and I don't know where you are, but I look up at that great big sky and I hope you're wishin' on that same bright star." - "Come Home Soon" by SheDaisy

Gathering

Gathering Music

Bell Sound

Welcome

David Runge

Prelude "You'd be so Nice to Come Home To"

written by Cole Porter

Tiffany Taylor; Elizabeth Schaltenbrand, piano

Call to Worship
Cooley

The Rev. Dawn

Chalice Lighting

Martha and Bill Latta

Hymn #166 *Years are Coming*

Affirming

Reading 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.

Engaging Our Community

Introduction to Brickhouse

Dawn

Yuletide Fair Opportunities

Debbie Silverman

Our Service Auction

Tiffany Taylor

Offertory & Collection

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

Song for the Children

Go now in peace, Go now in peace

May the spirit of love surround you

Everywhere, everywhere, you may go.

Joys and Sorrows

Moment of Prayer and Meditation

Sung Response

We join in this community

to build the world we hope will be.

Our hearts and minds do hold in prayer

these joys and sorrows which we share.

Exploring

Special Music "Come Home Soon" written by John Shanks and Kristyn Osborn

Tiffany Taylor; Elizabeth Schaltenbrand, piano; Malcolm Turner; Kyle Ellison

Sermon "My Grandma was a Marine"

Dawn

Honoring Our Veterans

Returning

Hymn #388 *Dona Nobis Pacem*

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

Dawn

Postlude

Benediction

Dawn

Join us next week!

The Joy of Commitment, The Rev. Dawn Cooley

As we welcome our new members, we will explore the human desire to make commitments, and what we give and gain in the process.

F.Y.I.

HELP MINISTRY FOOD PANTRY: During the month of November, the youth groups are focusing on food items that complete a Thanksgiving meal: canned green beans or other vegetables, cranberry sauce, gravy, stuffing mix, potatoes, canned pumpkin for pies, etc. Basic toiletries are also accepted, including disposable razors, soap, shampoo, toothbrushes and toothpaste, toilet paper, deodorant. Your generosity helps our neighbors in need.

FIRST UNITARIAN ANNUAL THANKSGIVING: Members Ministry is sponsoring the First Unitarian Annual Thanksgiving Dinner, Nov. 26 2009 from 2-6pm., open to all First U friends and family and children. It is potluck, with vegetarian and vegan options. Help is needed, especially for cleaning up. If you are interested in attending, please see Debbie Silverman after church or call at 502-291-9743

YULETIDE FARE COMMITTEE: There will opportunities galore to Volunteer your time and talents to help make this yet another successful Yuletide Fare -- everything from selling raffle tickets, to making our famous chocolate bourbon balls, to setting up and decorating the Sanctuary! Kathy Drehmel will be at a table after the Celebration of Life with sign up sheets. (Kathy Rogers might also be there with her cooking and baking sign up sheets)

COFFEE HOUR NEXT SUNDAY: The Ministries will each have an Opportunity Booth where you can learn more about how to get involved with the life of our church. At the same time the Member Ministry is hosting our annual Chili Cook-off. All cooks are invited to submit their best chili (red, white or vegetarian). Please bring your chili in a crockpot or a container that will keep it warm. Everyone is welcome for the tasting and voting. Donations from tasters will go to the HELP Ministries through the Calgary food program.

ELECTRONIC STEEPLETALK TRANSITION: As we transition, we need to have your current e-mail address. Please fill out a golden information card at the Greeter's table or e-mail your address to Rebecca at office@firstulou.org.

NUMBERS THAT COUNT:

Last week sanctuary attendance: 108

As of last week, we have collected approximately \$44,229 out of \$151,000 pledged for this fiscal year (which runs through June 2010); we are 36% through the fiscal year. We have collected 29% of pledges.

Last week the youth collected 49 cans of food for the HELP Ministry food pantry.

Since 6/14/09, First Unitarian has received \$1,025 from the Kroger Gift Card Program.