

**Upcoming** - Events and Updates from First UU

<https://firstuu.net/events/calendar/>

**Today, August 13**

- 9:45am Adult Religious Exploration, Ellen Burd
- 11:00am Sunday Service, Charlie Jenney, "Surprised by Joy"
- 7:00pm Arri Lawton Simon in Concert

**Monday, August 14**

- 6:00pm Vegan Potluck
- 6:30pm Zen Friends, bob Feleppa, rxfelepa@gmail.com

**Tuesday, August 15**

- 11:30am UU Friends Lunch

**Wednesday, August 16**

- 6:00pm Board of Trustees Meeting
- 7:00pm Newsletter/Calendar Deadline, Anne Welsbacher, awelsbacher@gmail.com

**Friday, August 18**

- 11:30am Eclectic Readers, Anita Culp, (316) 712-3843

**Saturday, August 19**

- 8:30am Gardening Group, Anita Culp (316) 712-3843

**Sunday, August 13**

- 9:45am Adult Religious Exploration, Charles Merrifield, (316) 371-3960
- 11:00am Sunday Service, Rev. Joe Mohr

**First UU Social Action Opportunities**

**Renaissance Food Pantry**

The food pantry meets at the church every 2nd and 4th Tuesdays at 10:30 a.m. to box, allocate, and deliver food. Please phone or text Jennifer Connelly at (316) 305-6070 for more info or to volunteer. Canned food donations can be placed on the shelves in the back of the church meeting hall. Money donations can be given by check to First UU with "Renaissance Pantry" in the memo line.

**Social Action Meetings**

The Social Action Committee meets today at 12:15 p.m. after the church service. The meetings carry forward the social action of the church and are open to everyone. Contact Ellie Shore, (316) 833-9190, er.shore@cox.net, for more information.

**Fridays for the Future**

Every 2nd Friday of the month at 12:00 - 1:00 p.m., people gather at the roundabout in Delano to demonstrate for environmental awareness. All are welcome to participate. Holger Meyer is the organizer (holgerme@gmail.com). envelope, and place in the offering plate. Haven't pledged but still want to give to the church? Write "donation" on your check's memo line. All of this helps the office manager put your welcomed gift into the correct account.

August 13, 2023

**The Seven Principles of Unitarian Universalism:**

- The inherent worth and dignity of every person.
- Justice, equity and compassion in human relations.
- Acceptance of one another and encouragement to spiritual growth in our congregations.
- A free and responsible search for truth and meaning.
- The right of conscience and the use of the democratic process within our congregations and in society at large.
- The goal of world community with peace, liberty, and justice for all.
- Respect for the interdependent web of all existence of which we are a part.

*As you seat yourself, please leave one empty chair between your party and the next one to social distance.*



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*A welcoming community with  
diverse beliefs united for positive change.*

**Sunday, August 13, 2023**  
**Presenter:** Charlie Jenney  
**Service Leader:** Annie Welsbacher  
**Musicians:** Laura Black, Arri Simon

*“The soul should always stand ajar, ready to welcome the ecstatic experience.. —  
Emily Dickson*

**Welcome**—for coming together

Gathering Music	<i>Choral and Aria</i>	J.S. Bach
Calling Bell		
Prelude	<i>Menuet</i>	Jean-Phillipe Rameau
Welcome and Announcements		
Opening Reading	<i>Let There Be Joy in Our Coming Together This Morning</i>	Carl Seaburg
Dedication of Chalice Hymn #29	<i>Faith in Summer Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee</i>	Ellen Hamilton

**Contemplation**—looking for meanings

Meditation	<i>Brick by Brick</i>	Meg Barnhouse
Moment of Silence		
<b>Special Music</b>	<i>Free Man in Paris</i> by Joni Mitchell	Arri Simon

**Offering**—stewardship of our church

Call to Offering	<i>Generosity is Our Spiritual Value</i>	Victoria Weinstein
Offering Music Hymn #326	<i>Cantabile Let All the Beauty We Have Known</i>	Frederic Chopin

**Community**—a time for sharing

Personal Joys and Sorrows		
Musical Interlude	<i>Gymnopedie No. 1</i>	Erik Satie

**Theme**—our search for truth

Presentation	<i>Surprised by Joy</i> , by Rev. Julia Hamilton	Charlie Jennie
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**Closing**—for continuing and moving forward

Hymn #413	<i>Go Now in Peace</i>	
Extinguish Chalice	<i>Carry the Flame</i>	Brian Kiely
Closing Words	<i>Singer on the High Wind- Swept Hills of Life</i>	David A Johnson
Postlude	<i>Rondo</i>	James Hook

**First Unitarian Universalist Church of Wichita** honors the principle of freedom of the pulpit. In keeping with that principle, the views expressed by the presenters or congregants are solely their personal opinions. While we acknowledge the ideas and opinions of every individual, this church does not endorse any point of view or political choice.

**First UU Church is open**, for those who are fully vaccinated, masks are optional. We will continue Zoom in our Sunday services and some other church activities.

**Fellowship Time** for refreshments and conversation. We invite visitors to stay after the service for coffee and fellowship time.

**Children’s Religious Exploration**

Children’s RE is on hiatus for the summer. It will start again in September.

**Volunteer Opportunity**

Volunteers are wanted for Lobby Monitor during the Church service each Sunday morning. See Ned Lakin for more information or to volunteer.

**You’ve Pledged - Now What?**

July 1 began our new fiscal year. To ensure that your pledge payment goes into the correct budget account, please write “pledge” on the memo line of your check. To pay by cash, pick up a small envelope from the back of the Meeting Hall, place cash in the envelope and seal, write your name and “pledge” on the outside of the envelope, and place in the offering plate. Haven’t pledged but still want to give to the church? Write “donation” on your check’s memo line. All of this helps the office manager put your welcomed gift into the correct account.

**Reason Everyone in Church Ought to Wear a Nametag**

Few people know everybody in the church. Even in the smallest churches, it’s sometimes difficult to remember everybody’s name. As the church grows, that task becomes even more difficult. Nametags allow us to admit that struggle while providing a way to overcome it.

**Give to First UU**



**Special Music**

Today’s special music is provided by Arri Lawton Simon, a writer, performer, and educator based out of New York City, where he is on faculty at Professional Performing Arts/Rosie’s Theater Kids. Arri runs a private voice studio, has musicals in development, and has performed at NY City Center Encores, Carnegie Hall, and Lincoln Center, among other venues.

**#413 Go Now in Peace (alternate wording)**

Go now in peace, go now in peace, may the spirit of love surround you everywhere, everywhere you may go.

