

Today, October 22
9:45am Adult Religious Exploration
11:00am **Children's Religious Exploration**
11:00am Sunday Service
12:15pm Music Committee

Monday, October 23
1:00pm Film Group
6:30pm Zen Friends

Tuesday, October 24
10:30am Renaissance Food Pantry

Wednesday, October 25
7:00pm Tech Committee

Saturday, October 28
6:00pm Pagan Circle

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Film Group

Join the First UU film group tomorrow, Monday, 10/23, 1pm, for a showing of the acclaimed 1963 film, *The Great Escape*, about a mass escape by Allied soldiers from a German POW camp during World War II. One of the best films of 1963, *The Great Escape* was directed by John Sturges and stars Steve McQueen, James Garner, Richard Attenborough, and Donald Pleasance. The film is based on a true incident in World War II but heavily fictionalized. The film group meets in the Adult RE room at church.

November First Sunday Lunch

The Lunch Ladies invite everyone to an early Thanksgiving dinner on our First Sunday Lunch on November 5th. There will be roast turkey and a vegan entrée as well. We hope you will check-out the sign-up sheet in the kitchen and let us know if you can bring potatoes, rolls, veggies, salad or a dessert. Perhaps you are not a cook and would rather help with set up or clean up. That is fine, too. It is more fun when everyone participates.

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 the 3rd Sunday of each month. The meetings carry forward the social action of the church and are open to everyone. Contact Ellie Shore, 833-9190, er.shore@cox.net, for info.

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).

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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, October 22, 2023

Presenter: Andrew Davis

Service Leader: Lynn Way

Musician: Jane Ray **Special Music:** Tom Page

To be told your books can't be on display or that your books are inappropriate because they simply reflect your life and experiences ... it's not only an act of censorship but an act of violence to the community. — Deborah Caldwell-Stone

Welcome—for coming together

Gathering Music	<i>Andante</i>	Yiruma
Calling Bell		
Prelude	<i>Moderato</i>	Yiruma

Welcome and Announcements

Opening Reading	<i>Witnesses of the World</i>	Tania Marquez
Dedication of Chalice	<i>Until "All" Means All</i>	Erika Hewitt
Hymn #347	<i>Gather the Spirit</i>	

Contemplation—looking for meanings

Responsive Reading #671	<i>Freedom</i>	John Milton
Moment of Silence		

Offering—stewardship of our church

Call to Offering #675	<i>The Offering is a sacrament...</i>	Ellen Johnson-Fay
Offering Music	<i>O Mio Caro</i>	Giacomo Puccini
Hymn #322	<i>Thanks be for These</i>	

Community—a time for sharing

Personal Joys/Sorrows		
Music Interlude	<i>Pavane</i>	Maurice Ravel

Special Music

Tom Page

Theme—our search for truth

Video	<i>The Unreachable Star</i>	Andy Williams
Presentation	<i>Why Can't I Read That?</i> By Rev. Kaaren Anderson	Andrew Davis

Closing—for continuing and moving forward

Hymn #1057 (teal hymnal)	<i>Go Lifted Up</i>	
Closing Reading #686	<i>Go in peace...</i>	Mark L. Belletini
Postlude	<i>Allegro</i>	J.S. Bach

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

For October, Children's Religious Exploration will be learning about heritage and our roots. We will talk about the importance of knowing our roots and where we came from but also how our roots are able to help us grow strong and branch out. We will learn more about Indigenous Peoples Day and listen to some storytelling.

On another note, if you have someone in your life that would like to work in our nursery (ages 0-4) a few Sundays a month, please reach out to the Director of Children's Religious Exploration, Anna Jenney, at anna.jenney@gmail.com

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.

Recorded Sermons

Sermons are normally recorded at every Sunday. They are eventually posted on the church website and can be accessed via firstuu.net/sermons/.