

Upcoming - Events and Updates from First UU
(<https://firstuu.net/events/calendar/>)

Today, Sunday, February 25

- 9:45am** Adult Religious Exploration (in-person & Zoom), Charles Merrifield
- 11:00am** Children's Religious Exploration, Anna Jenney
- 11:00am** Sunday Service, Rev. Joe Mohr
- 12:15pm** Social Action Committee, Ellie Shore, (316) 833-9190
- 12:15pm** Music Committee, Jana Rambo, (316) 686-4215

Monday, February 26

- 6:30pm** Zen Friends, Bob Feleppa, rxfeleppa@gmail.com

Tuesday, February 27

- 10:30am** Renaissance Food Pantry, Jennifer Connelly, (316) 305-6070

Wednesday, February 28

- 7:00pm** Technology Committee, Ned Lakin, president@firstuu.net

Reflections on Stewardship, Stewardship Reflection 2, Time

Until we are no longer bound by the laws of physics, time is both precious commodity and the only thing given equally to everyone. We all have twenty-four hours a day for as many days as one lives, no more or less. How, then, do you want to use your time to support our church? Do you want to help take care of the grounds? Do you want to serve on a committee? Do you want to help make our worship services meaningful experiences? Do you want to actively support the nursery or Children's RE? Do you want to learn through Adult RE? Do you want to gather with others to watch at a film or discuss a book or play games? What part of your time do you want to give to our church?
-Andrew Davis

Girl Scout Cookie Time!

Today after the service, our congregation's Girl Scout Brownies Maya Gurshtein and Natalia Ramirez will be selling Girl Scout cookies. Proceeds help support their troops and the girls going to summer camp. All boxes are \$5. Cash, check, or card are accepted for payment.

March Sunday Lunch

We are close to March lunch. Our menu is Baked Potato Bar. Magda Garrett will plan on donating the potatoes. We will need toppings, additional sides, and of course desserts. Currently needed items include butter, sour cream, bacon bits, steamed broccoli, chili, shredded cheese, chives, chopped onions, salsa, and anything else that goes with baked potatoes! If you are a seasoned helper or want to get involved for the first time, we always appreciate your help. There will be a signup sheet available in the kitchen. Thank you in advance. Please contact Magda Garrett (316-765-3352) for more info.

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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, February 25, 2024
Rev. Joe Mohr, Presenter
Dan DeMott, Service Leader
Ish Farid and Durell Gilmore, Musicians

*When we identify where our privilege intersects with somebody else's oppression,
 we'll find our opportunities to make real change. ~ Ijeoma Olou*

Welcome—for coming together

Gathering Music	<i>Getaran Jiwa</i>	P. Ramlee
Calling Bell		
Prelude	<i>Color My World</i>	Chicago

Welcome and Announcements

Responsive Reading #444	<i>This House</i>	Kenneth L. Patton
Dedication of Chalice	<i>Making Aspirations Real</i>	Ben Soule
Hymn #360	<i>Here We Have Gathered</i>	

Contemplation—looking for meanings

Meditation	<i>from Justice is Our Prayer</i>	Rev. Rebekah Savage
Moment of Silence		

Offering—stewardship of our church

Call to Offering	<i>What We Say "Yes" To</i>	Erika Hewett
Offering Music	<i>It Had to be You</i>	Isham Jones
Hymn #318	<i>We Would Be One</i>	

Special Music

<i>Shine</i>	Durell Gilmore
by David Michael Wyatt	

Community—a time for sharing

Personal Joys and Sorrows		
Musical Interlude	<i>Heal the World</i>	Michael Jackson

Theme—our search for truth

Presentation	<i>Human Zoo: A Look at Income Inequality</i>	Rev. Joe Mohr
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Closing—for continuing and moving forward

Hymn #1057 (Teal)	<i>Go Lifted Up</i>	
Closing Words #694	<i>May the Love</i>	Frederick E. Gillis
Chalice Extinguishing		
Postlude	<i>How Sweet it is</i>	James Taylor

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 all services and activities regardless of your vaccination status, the Board strongly recommends that all of us be vaccinated and asks that we continue to practice social distancing, when possible, especially when around members and friends who are still opting to wear masks. Online Zoom access is provided for those who cannot attend services or events in person. Fellowship Time is for refreshments and conversation. All invited to stay after the service for coffee and fellowship.

Inclement Weather Policy

In the event that inclement weather may jeopardize safety for in-person Sunday service, in consultation with others, President Ned Lakin will determine whether to cancel an in-person Sunday service and offer a Zoom-only Sunday service option. If an in-person Sunday service is cancelled due to inclement weather, by no later than the preceding Saturday

- a cancelled service announcement will be submitted to KSN, KAKE, and KWCH to be included on their TV programming listing cancellations across the area for the upcoming Sunday,
- an email will be sent out confirming the cancellation,
- the church voicemail will be changed to reflect the cancellation, and
- the website will be updated to reflect the in-person cancellation.

The Zoom details can be obtained by going to <https://firstuu.net/events/future-services/> and clicking on the name of the Sunday service to obtain Zoom details.

Children's Religious Exploration

Children's Religious Exploration will be learning about the gifts of Justice and Equity. Lesson topics will include: What is Equality, Equity and Justice?, The Gift of Building Better Relationships (Valentine's Day), The Gift of Building a Better World (Black History Month), and The Gift of Joy and Beloved Community. Bring a young person in your life to join us in this learning!

Children's RE is also looking for volunteers for helpers in our classroom. If you are interested in helping out, please scan the Q code below. We will be looking for summer presenters soon, too- so be thinking of a lesson you might want to teach the kids in our congregation!



Volunteer Opportunity

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

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.