

Sunday, August 18, 2024

Rev. Joe Mohr, Presenter
Melanie Jenney, Service Leader
Ismail Farid, Musician

You must be the change you wish to see in the world. -Mahatma Gandhi

Welcome—for coming together

Gathering Music	<i>St. Elmo's Fire</i>	David Foster
Calling Bell		
Prelude	<i>Crazy</i>	Willie Nelson

Welcome and Announcements

Opening Reading	<i>A Moment of Rest on Our Journey</i>	Linda Hart
Dedication of Chalice	<i>The Light Within Us</i>	Brian C. Lee
Hymn #126	<i>Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing</i>	

Contemplation—looking for meanings

Meditation	<i>Marginal Wisdom</i>	Leslie Takahashi
Moment of Silence		

Special Music

<i>The Lady Is A Tramp</i> by Rodgers and Hart	Ismail Farid
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Offering—stewardship of our church

Call to Offering	<i>This Place, These People</i>	Paul Daizell
Offering Music	<i>It's Only a Paper Moon</i>	Arlen/Rose/Harburg
Hymn # 1	<i>May Nothing Evil Cross this Door</i>	

Community—a time for sharing

Personal Joys and Sorrows		
Musical Interlude	<i>Summertime</i>	George Gershwin

Theme—our search for truth

Presentation	<i>Back to School</i>	Rev. Joe Mohr
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Closing—for continuing and moving forward

Hymn # 414 (2 times)	<i>As We Leave This Friendly Place</i>	
Closing Words	<i>Wherever We Are, Love Is</i>	Debra Haffner
Postlude	<i>Don't Get Around Much Anymore</i>	Duke Ellington

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.

Children's Religious Exploration

Children's Religious Exploration will receive lessons from congregation members in August. Join us to learn new skills and have fun!

Church Primary Contacts

President: Corey Swertfager, president@firstuu.net

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Office Hours

Office hours are posted on the online church calendar

(<https://firstuu.net/events/calendar/>). In the event that Office Manager Jon M. Ramirez does have to adjust his office hours due to unforeseen circumstances (e.g. illness), adjusted office hours will be posted on the online church calendar. Please review office hours on the church calendar if needing to call or meet face-to-face with the Office Manager. Please also feel free to set up an appointment in advance anytime.

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

Sun, Aug 18, 2024

9:45am - 10:45am Adult Religious Exploration
11am - 12pm Children's Religious Exploration
11am - 12pm Sunday Service
12:15pm - 1:15pm Social Action Group

Mon, Aug 19, 2024

6:30pm - 8pm Zen Friends, Bob Feleppa, rxfeleppa@gmail.com

Wed, Aug 21, 2024

6pm - 8pm Board of Trustees Meeting
11pm Newsletter and Calendar Deadline

Fri, Aug 23, 2024

6:30pm - 8:30pm First UU Film Group

InTouch Newsletter

In light of the monthly newsletters being available via the website (<https://firstuu.net/newsletters/>), we are striving to reduce the monthly cost (e.g. paper, ink, stamps) associated with monthly printing, assembling, and mailing of the newsletter to a small population. For those who wish to continue to receive the monthly newsletter in the mail, please indicate interest via <https://forms.gle/GsYMb1oaP9u1CmHh6>, by calling the office, or by emailing a request to office@firstuu.net. **Starting with the September newsletter, only those who have expressed prior interest will receive future mailings of the newsletter.**

This is your monthly reminder that submissions for the September In Touch are due to Anne Welsbacher (awelsbacher@gmail.com) by this Wednesday, August 21, 11 pm. Please advise if you have problems meeting this deadline. Also, if you plan to submit a piece other than the usual monthly columns, please let Anne know ahead of time - even if you haven't yet written it - so that we can plan accordingly. We do welcome these extra articles or article ideas. If you would like feedback on your idea, Anne is happy to provide it. Most submissions should be between 100 and 250-300 words depending on the topic. Pictures are always welcome. Use of all submitted articles and photos is dependent on space and production needs.

Church Photos

If anyone has First UU-related photos from prior church events (and for any future church events), please send them to photos@firstuu.net. All photos saved on the office manager computer over the past several years have been moved to Google photos to ensure we don't lose what we have accumulated over the years. As photos are received from church members/friends/visitors, we will add them to our existing Google Photos account.

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



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

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.