

A photograph of a forest path with tall redwood trees and sunlight filtering through the canopy.

# **“The Question of Legacy”**

Sunday, March 20, 10:50 AM, 2022  
First Unitarian Universalist Society of San Francisco



**Order of Service**  
**Sunday, March 20, 2022**  
**10:50 AM - 12:15 PM**

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Welcome back to those returning to onsite Worship Service!  
Please stay masked during the Worship Service and maintain social distance.  
After service we invite you to convene for coffee hour in the Courtyard.  
As we ease back into the new normal, we want to keep our congregation and staff safe.  
Please be mindful of social distance and wear your mask when you are not eating or drinking.

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Prelude      *Coloratura*

Satoshi Yagisawa  
Flute Quartet

Opening Words and Welcome

Rev. Vanessa Rush Southern, Senior Minister

Hymn 358

*Rank By Rank Again We Stand*

REUNION

Ben Rudiak-Gould, Songleader; Reiko Oda Lane, Organist

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## Unison Chalice Lighting

We light this chalice for the light of truth,  
the warmth of love,  
and the fire of commitment.  
We light this symbol of our faith  
as we gather together.

## Brief Invitations

“Wonder Dave” Crady, Worship Associate

## Greeting One Another

## Covenant

Love is the spirit of this church, and service is its prayer.  
This is our great covenant: to dwell together in peace,  
to seek the truth in freedom, and to help one another.

## Doxology

TALLIS' CANON

The musical score is written on three staves in G major (one sharp). The first staff begins with a treble clef and a key signature of one sharp. The melody consists of quarter and eighth notes. The lyrics are written below the staff, with some words in italics. The second staff begins with a measure rest labeled '5'. The third staff begins with a measure rest labeled '8'. The score ends with a double bar line and a repeat sign.

From all that dwell be - low the skies; let songs of hope and  
De to - dos ba - jo el gran sol; sur - ja, es - pe - ran - za

5  
faith a - rise; Let peace, good - will on earth be sung through  
fé, a - mor; ver - dad, y be - lle - za can - tan - do, de

8  
ev - ery land, by ev - ery tongue.  
ca - da tie - rra, ca - da voz. A - men.

## Ritual of Remembrance and Commitment

## Time of Spoken and Silent Meditation

Music      *Loch Solas*

Catherine MacMichael  
Flute Quartet

Reflection

Lori Lai, Worship Associate

Offering

The offering today goes to support the work and ministries of this congregation. To make a donation on Vanco or using the Donate Button (below) & on our website, please select the “Offering” choice to make your gift. If you are sending a check, please mark in the memo today’s date and “offering” 3-20-22.

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Offertory Music      *Ciocolata d'Amore*

Ito Yasuhide  
Flute Quartet

Reading      “From Strength to Strength” by Arthur Brooks

Music      *Rondeau* from *Flute Quartet* in D major

W.A. Mozart  
Flute Quartet

Sermon      “The Question of Legacy”

Rev. Vanessa Rush Southern

Hymn 288

*All Are Architects*

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Benediction

Postlude      *Onward, Ye Peoples!*

Jean Sibelius  
Reiko Oda Lane, Organist

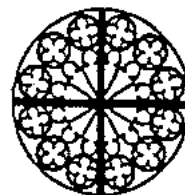
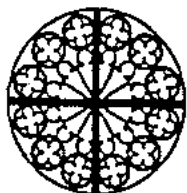
# PARTICIPANTS

## Worship Leaders

Rev. Vanessa Rush Southern, Senior Minister  
“Wonder Dave” Crady, Worship Associate  
Lori Lai, Annual Fund Testimonial

## Sunday Support

Eric Shackelford, Camera  
Shulee Ong, Camera  
Donald Shearer, Camera  
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Remigio Flood, Sexton  
Kelvin Jones, Sexton  
Athena Papadakos, Flowers  
Tom Brookshire, Les James,  
Alex Darr, Zoom Coffee Hour



## Muscians

Reiko Oda Lane, Organist  
Ben Rudiak-Gould, Songleader  
Jef Caers, flute/bass flute  
Cyron Jef Besaja, flute  
John Speers, flute/piccolo  
Sajant Anand, flute/alto flute



These last years have been a complicated time for all of us. It's like we've been wandering through a forest, and we've found some bright spots and clearings along the way, but we aren't out of the woods yet. As a community, we need to help each other through.

UUSF is in a more stable place than in the worst of it. Rental income isn't back to 100%, but we've been able to return to in-person, at least partly. And we have a lot of hope for the future. But we still need your support and generosity to make it through.

If you'd like to pledge online, you can do so at [uusf.org/pledge](https://uusf.org/pledge). We also mailed pledge forms to everyone, and we will have them available after the service each Sunday in March if you would rather fill it out in paper. Please get your pledges in by the end of March!

Questions? Email Co-Chairs: Sam King & “Wonder Dave” Crady ([aof@uusf.org](mailto:aof@uusf.org))

# 358 Rank by Rank Again We Stand

$\text{♩} = 104$

1. Rank by rank a - gain we stand,  
 2. Ours the years' me - mo - rial store,  
 3. Though the path be hard and long,

from the four winds gath - ered hith - er. Loud the hal - lowed  
 hon - ored days and names we reck - on, days of com - rades  
 still we strive in ex - pcc - ta - tion; join we now their

walls de - mand whence we come and how, and whith - er.  
 gone be - fore, lives that speak and deeds that beck - on.  
 age - less song one with them in as - pi - ra - tion.

Words: From John Huntley Skrine, 1848–1923,  
 ⊕ New words by Carl G. Seaburg, 1922–  
 Music: Henry Walford Davies, 1869–1941, © Oxford University Press

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From their still - ness break - ing clear,  
 From the dream - ing of the night  
 One in name, in hon - or one,

ech - oes wake to warn or cheer; high - er truth from  
 to the la - bors of the day, shines their ev - er -  
 guard we well the crown they won; what they dreamed be

saint and seer call to us as - sem - bled here.  
 last - ing light, guid - ing us up - on our way.  
 ours to do, hope their hopes, and seal them true.

## All Are Architects

$\text{♩} = 104$

1. All are ar - chi - tects of fate, work - ing in these  
 2. For the struc-ture that we raise time is with ma -  
 3. Build to - day, then, strong and sure, with a firm and

walls of time; some with mas-sive deeds and great,  
 te - rials filled; our to - days and yes - ter - days  
 am - ple base; and as - cend - ing and se - cure

some with or - na - ments of rhyme.  
 are the blocks with which we build.  
 shall to - mor - row find its place.

⊕ Words: Henry Wadsworth Longfellow, 1807-1882

⊕ Music: Thomas Benjamin, 1940- , © 1992 Unitarian Universalist Association

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## Sunday Virtual Coffee Hour 12:15 pm Sundays

Anyone is welcome to join our community for our Virtual Coffee Hour, immediately following the Sunday Worship Service. Coffee not required.

Join the **Sermon Discussion Group**, led by **Donald Matusen**, at Virtual Coffee Hour after church today. Let the host know if you want to join this group when you arrive at Coffee Hour.

Join via Zoom: <https://zoom.us/j/725737157> / Meeting ID: 725 737 157

## Young Adult Lunch Outing this Sunday, March 20 at 12:30 pm at UUSF

Join us for our re-return of the lunch outing! We will meet up after Sunday worship service, pick a place to eat, and then walk over there. So come, enjoy the morning spirit, and then join Maddy, Joe, old and new friends for a meal. This is a great opportunity to meet people in our community, whether you are brand new to UUism or a life-long member. We recommend bringing small bills or be prepared to use a money transfer service of your choice. If you plan to join but not attend Worship service, text Joe Chapot at 415-244-7253 so we know to wait for ya!

## Journey To Wholeness: Educating Ourselves Through the Arts

If we are serious about dismantling structural racism, we have a lot to learn. Our principles already call upon us to support one another in spiritual growth. One way to begin is by shared exploration of the cultural riches given to us by peoples of the world majority. Opportunity of the week: Postcolonial Love Poem, a collection by Mojave American poet Natalie Diaz, is the "San Francisco Reads" selection for March and April. There are multiple copies of the book at public libraries around the city, and it may also be borrowed in ebook or audio book form. The San Francisco Public Library is hosting two virtual events to reflect on and celebrate the book, a book club discussion April 18th and a conversation with the author April 26th. More information: [sfpl.org/on-the-same-page](http://sfpl.org/on-the-same-page) . Contact us [racialjustice.info@uusf.org](mailto:racialjustice.info@uusf.org)

## Human Rights Working Group & Forum will present the second in the Dangerous Truths series:

**"The 1619 Project -Its Significance for Today" - March 27 at 1pm - Zoom Link: [bit.ly/DangerousTruths](https://bit.ly/DangerousTruths)**

Nikole Hannah-Jones was awarded the 2020 Pulitzer Prize for Commentary for The 1619 Project which appeared in the New York Times Magazine. Dr. James Taylor, Professor of Political Science and African American and Critical Diversity Studies at the University of San Francisco, will speak on aspects of this important work and our changing views of history. Info: [www.uusf.org/hrwg](http://www.uusf.org/hrwg)

## Call for artwork for spring art show "Origami for Peace": What Does Peace Mean To You?

Send your written thoughts on a 3 by 5 inch card to: Peace for the World, P. O. Box 15371, 1849 Geary Blvd. San Francisco, CA 94115. Andrei Glase is preparing Children's Multicultural Museum's art exhibit "Origami for Peace" which opens this spring. Your written thoughts could share the Kings Galleries with the children's origami peacedoves and their thoughts about what peace means. You too can include a colorful origami peacedove to be added to our display. And do not forget to sign your work!

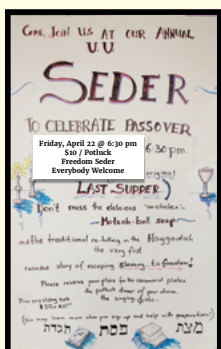
## Join Our Sunday Service Support Team!

It takes several teams of people to make Sunday Service happen, and you can join them! We are in need of more lay leaders to join our Greeters Team, Ushers Teams, and our Live Stream Team. Our greeters welcome and check people into our Sanctuary before Service. The ushers distribute Orders of Service and help folks find seats. Finally, our Livestream team works the cameras that record and broadcast our worship. No experience necessary! Just bring your best self and we will train you. If you want to join one of these teams, please email us at [info@uusf.org](mailto:info@uusf.org)

## SAVE THE DATE!

**The Annual UUSF Seder is Back! - Friday, April 22 @ 6:30 pm - \$10**

The Freedom Holiday is back! We will celebrate this Passover with food and song and a service led by Rev. John Buehrens. We have a updated Haggadah by Richard Davis and Mia Shackelford and beautiful new candlesticks, crafted by Richard Davis. Sign-Up with Eric Shackelford on Sunday or email Eric at [eshack@gmail.com](mailto:eshack@gmail.com).



# Adult Spiritual Growth Classes ([www.uusf.org/are](http://www.uusf.org/are))

## Minister's Book Group: Wednesday, March 30, 6:30-8 pm

Led by Rev. Vanessa Rush Southern, Senior Minister. This month's book is "Decolonizing Wealth: Indigenous Wisdom to Heal Divides and Restore Balance" by Edgar Villanueva. Register at [bit.ly/bookgroup3-22](http://bit.ly/bookgroup3-22)



Philanthropy and the models of philanthropic giving, even the whole notion of philanthropy and the way it is structured have been under review and criticism of late. In 2018 Edgar Villanueva was at the front end of this wave of interrogation of the "good" work done by private givers and their foundations and charities. Villanueva asks whether as a model such "good" work mirrors colonial structures, entrenches patterns of inequity, but he brings to the work an alternative, and one grounded in the native traditions of his own community, the Lumbee Tribe. Let's look together at what he has to say – in critique and in offering an alternative.

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## Morning Meta Meditation

Tuesdays & Thursday, 8-8:30 am (<https://us04web.zoom.us/j/75735734442#success>)

A simple, centering loving kindness meditation practice which is appropriate for all religious backgrounds and levels of meditation experience.

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## Equanimity Practice

Fridays, 8-8:30 am (<https://us04web.zoom.us/j/75735734442#success>)

A meditation practice on cultivating equanimity—that is, accepting the reality of life's highs and lows and developing an attitude of peaceful calm abiding throughout the inevitable changes.

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## Paganism 101 A Unitarian Exploration of the New Paganism

4th Sundays at 1 pm PST / 4 pm EST on Zoom - Series of 9 monthly classes - Register at [bit.ly/paganism101class](http://bit.ly/paganism101class)

This course introduces the practices, beliefs, and history of Modern Pagan spirituality. Participants in this class will create and maintain a student altar as we explore basic altar set up and ritual tools, the wheel of the year, deity, the four elements, and more. We also touch on different pagan paths and examine how modern paganism fits with Unitarian Universalist principles. Class is FREE. \$5 per class donation welcome but not required.

## Seeking Your Most Heartfelt and Creative Donations for the UUSF Auction!



We on the Auction Committee are absolutely thrilled to be planning our auction festivities for next month. We have asked you to "Stand by Me" in song, and we are now asking you to Stand By Us in the courtyard, where we are going to hold the live auction and a big party on Sunday, April 24! Tickets are on sale at [bit.ly/uuauctiontix](http://bit.ly/uuauctiontix) and we would love to know if you are coming!

Of course, the live event is just one component of our auction. We are once again holding the super-popular Online Silent Auction for the week prior to the event. The Online Silent Auction goes live on Saturday, April 16 and lasts through Saturday, April 23.

These combined events are only as vibrant as they are because of the deep generosity and endless creativity of the UUSF community. Each year, we are so grateful to receive offers of time at vacation homes, hours of professional services, bottles of wine, and home-hosted parties. People donate fine art as well as home-cooked meals. Do you have something that you'd feel joyful sharing with the

community? We'd love to talk to you about the possibilities.

If you feel like you'd like to donate, but aren't quite sure what to donate, Sue Anthony has a wonderful gift of being able to chat with you about your talents. If you'd like a little coaching, Sue is available by email at [Susan.J.Anthony@comcast.net](mailto:Susan.J.Anthony@comcast.net) and she will also be at an auction table after services on Sundays.

If you already know what you want to donate -- thank you! We have an intake form set up [bit.ly/uuauctiondonate](http://bit.ly/uuauctiondonate) to take in all the details of your item plus pictures of it.

# "Rites of Passage Service: Big Life Questions"



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## Sunday, March 13, 2022

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# Welcome to the First Unitarian Universalist Society of San Francisco

Since its founding in 1850 our congregation has been a beacon of religious liberalism in this city. During the Civil War, the [Rev. Thomas Starr King](#) was credited with keeping California in the Union. He also challenged racism, raised millions for humanitarian relief and inspired new efforts in education.

Unitarianism and Universalism in America both arose in New England during the American Revolution. Because the roots of both traditions are in the Judeo-Christian tradition, you will see on the walls of our sanctuary two inscriptions:

"What doth the Lord require of thee, but to do justly, to love mercy, and to walk humbly with your God?" (from the Hebrew prophet Micah) and "The Kingdom of God is within you." (from the Gospels)

Our religious forebears were far more interested in the teaching examples of Jesus than in beliefs about Jesus. Today we agree more about how we strive to treat others than we do about beliefs. Our backgrounds and spiritual orientations are diverse. Among us are people who consider themselves atheists, agnostics, humanists, Christians, Jews, Buddhists, Muslims, Pagans and people guided by other forms of spirituality and belief.

Belief is many things, and so is disbelief. But we are interested in what happens to us when we open our minds to wider truth, our hearts to compassion, and our souls to the call to work for justice and peace.

## OUR SOCIETY'S VISION

We, The First Unitarian Universalist Society of San Francisco, delight in our authentic, inclusive congregation that reaches across generations, ethnicities, and differences. We take care of one another, building spiritual community, knowing that we are stronger and accomplish more together. Guided by our responsibility to future generations, we take leadership in shaping a compassionate, sustainable world. Inspired by our courageous heritage and compelled by conscience, we hold one another accountable to work for racial, environmental, and economic justice and the dignity and rights of all.

## OUR SOCIETY'S MISSION

As a vibrant, joyous, caring, inclusive community of diverse people, we create a nurturing space for spiritual growth and learning. Based on our shared values, we work together courageously and publicly for human rights, economic justice, and environmental salvation.

For more about our congregation,  
please visit our website at [www.uusf.org](http://www.uusf.org).

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