

"Oh, Family"

Sunday, December 4, 10:50 AM, 2022

First Unitarian Universalist Society of San Francisco





Order of Service
Sunday, December 4, 2022
10:50 AM - 12:15 PM
Livestreamed at bit.ly/uusfmedia

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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
or online on the 1st and 3rd Sundays of the month (<https://bit.ly/coffeeuu>)

Please be mindful of social distance and wear your mask when you are not eating or drinking.

Prelude

Happy the Home Where Love is There
Come Thou Fount of Every Blessing

St. Agnew/ Alice Jordan
NETTLETON Manz/Martin
Reiko Oda Lane, organist

Welcome and Announcements

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.

*Hymn 21

For the Beauty of the Earth

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Congregation

We will! We not only welcome you, but also promise to nurture you and support your journey, providing our friendship, sharing our life experiences, inviting your questions and stepping into what life together and the world will ask of us. With eagerness and expectation, we look forward to working alongside you and building our beloved community together. Welcome home!

New Members

Eagerly and with enthusiasm we bring to this place our gifts and talents, life experience and wisdom, questions and challenges. We look forward to being co-creators of this beloved community and serving its mission with joy.

Greeting One Another and our New Members!

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 (F#). The melody consists of eighth and quarter notes. The lyrics are written below the staff, with some words in Spanish. The second staff begins with a measure rest and continues the melody. The third staff begins with a measure rest and concludes with a double bar line and a repeat sign. The lyrics are written below the staff.

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

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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

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

Reflection

Mari Magaloni Ramos

Offering

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Reading

Music *Brothers and Sisters*

Sermon “Oh, Family”

*Hymn 324

Where My Free Spirit Onward Leads

KINGSFOLD

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*Benediction

Postlude *Hymn to Joy*

Theme from Beethoven's 9th Symphony
Reiko Oda Lane, organist

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PARTICIPANTS

Worship Leaders

Rev. Vanessa Rush Southern, Senior Minister
Rev. Laura Shennum, Minister of Congregational Life
Mari Magaloni Ramos, Worship Associate

Sunday Support

Shulee Ong; Eric Shackelford;
Jackson Munn, Cameras
Jonathan Silk, Communications Director
Joe Chapot, Live Chat Moderator
Thomas Brown, Sexton
DeAndre Smith, Sexton
Carrie Steere-Salazar, Flowers
Linda Messner, Head Usher

Musicians

Reiko Oda Lane, Organist
Mark Sumner, Music Director
Wm. García Ganz, Pianist
UUSF Choir

OFFERTORY

Will You Contribute To Our Belong Recovery Fund?

- **\$50** will allow a community member keep their phone on for a month
- **\$100** will help a community member pay with grocery and electricity bills
- **\$250** can be applied to the \$1,500+ cost required to prevent someone's eviction
- **\$500** can be applied to the average \$8,000 cost to move a family to a new apartment and prevent their homelessness

To donate directly online go to:

<https://bit.ly/3VrKb5U>

You can also mail a check to our office at

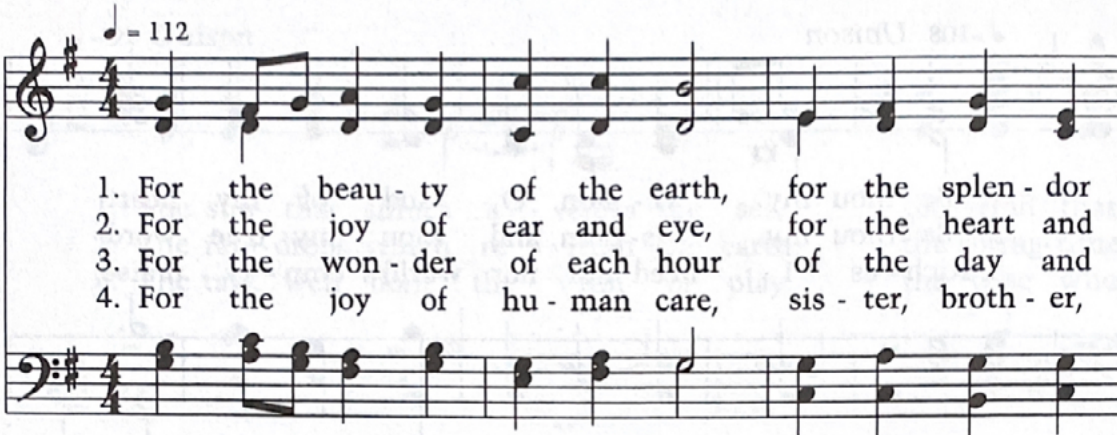
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Redwood City, CA 94063

Thank you for your support!

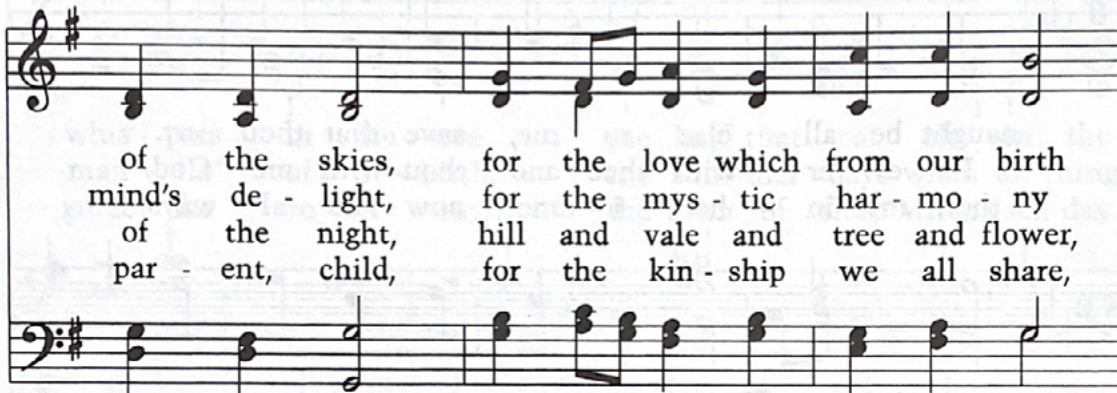


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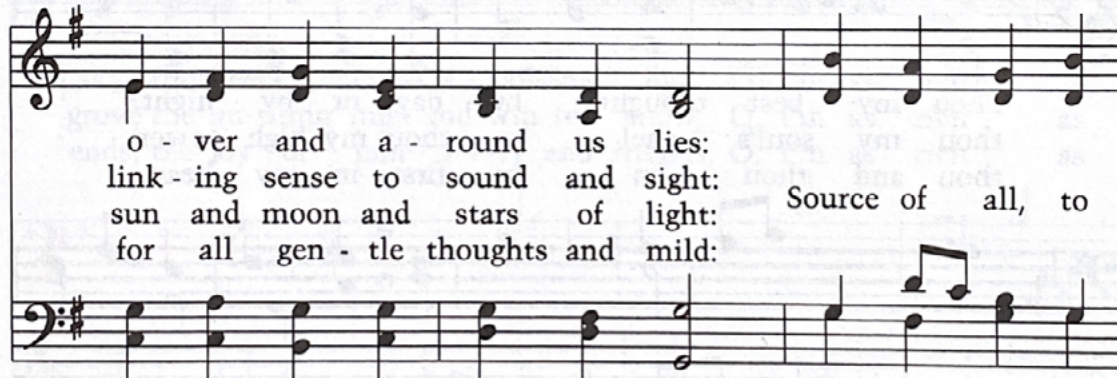
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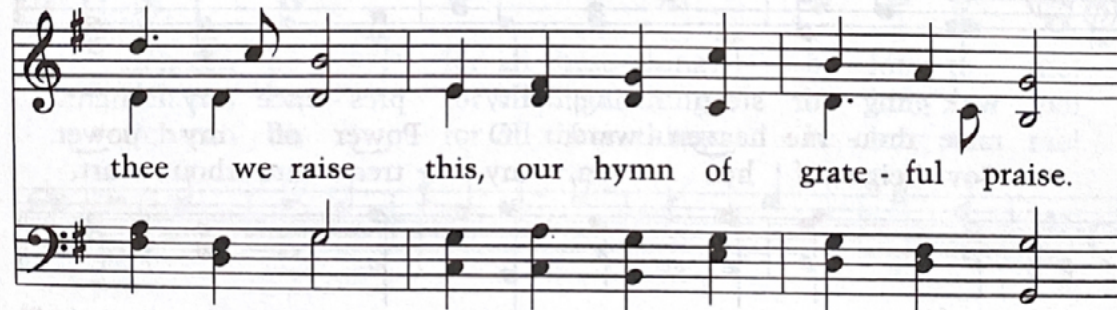
1. For the beau - ty of the earth, for the splen - dor
 2. For the joy of ear and eye, for the heart and
 3. For the won - der of each hour of the day and
 4. For the joy of hu - man care, sis - ter, broth - er,



of the skies, for the love which from our birth
 mind's de - light, for the mys - tic har - mo - ny
 of the night, hill and vale and tree and flower,
 par - ent, child, for the kin - ship we all share,



o - ver and a - round us lies:
 link - ing sense to sound and sight: Source of all, to
 sun and moon and stars of light:
 for all gen - tle thoughts and mild:



thee we raise this, our hymn of grate - ful praise.

Words: Folliott Sandford Pierpoint, 1835-1917, adapt.
 Music: Conrad Kocher, 1786-1872, abridged

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Where My Free Spirit Onward Leads

Musical score for the hymn 'Where My Free Spirit Onward Leads'. It features a treble and bass staff in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. The tempo is marked as quarter note = 116. The lyrics are arranged in three systems, each with three numbered verses. The melody is a simple, folk-like tune, and the harmony is a basic accompaniment.

1. Where my free spir - it on - ward leads, well,
2. My fam - i - ly is not con - fined to
3. The ev - er spin - ning u - ni - verse, well,

there shall be my way; by my own light il -
 moth - er, mate, and child; but it in - cludes all
 there shall be my home; I sing and spin with -

lu - mined I've jour - neyed night and
 crea - tures be they tame or be they
 in it as through this life I

day; my age, a time - worn cloak I wear as
 wild; my fam - i - ly up - on this earth in -
 roam; e - ter - ni - ty is hard to ken and

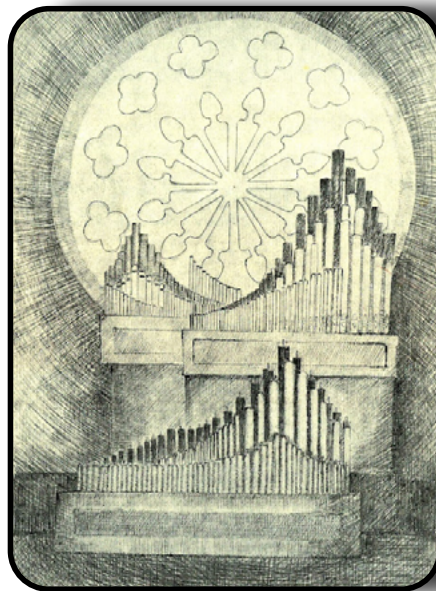
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 Music: English traditional melody, harmony and arr. by Ralph Vaughan
 Williams, 1872-1958, used by perm. of Oxford University Press

KINGSFOLD
C.M.D.

HUMANITY: WOMEN AND MEN

once I wore my youth; I cel - e - brate life's
 - cludes all liv - ing things on land, or in the
 hard - er still is this: a hu - man life when

mys - ter - y; I cel - e - brate death's truth.
 o - cean deep, or borne a - loft on wings.
 tru - ly seen is brief - er than a kiss.





UUSF Presents:

Holiday Faire

Today after Church!

**Traditional Mexican
Christmas Lunch**

Victorian Tea Room

**Gifts * Art * Vendors * Crafts * Wine
by the glass * Hot Chocolate Station *
Raffle * Caroling * Jumble Sale *
Ornament Making . . . and more!**

A traditional Mexican Christmas meal consists of tamales, beans and rice often made by a whole family. Our caterer, El Buen Comer, is a woman-owned small local business using organic sources. \$20 for Adults, \$10 for children. Pay more or less as you can. Extra contributions welcome.

Our Church's children will serve you dessert and tea in our Victorian Tea Room. \$5 for dessert, tea or coffee.

Events, Meetings & Volunteer Opportunities (www.uusf.org/news)

SCW Sponsored Documentary Premieres Today at 1:00pm @ SF Library in the Koret Auditorium

He Had Wings, about the artist Ronnie Goodman and the homeless community in San Francisco. The film will be followed by an excellent panel discussion with non-profit organizations working with the homeless in the City. This film was made possible by a grant from the Society for Community Work (SCW) Community Grants Committee. Learn More at <https://www.uusf.org/scwcommunitygrants>

To be an Angel and Help A Child Have a Happier Holiday Season!

Many thanks to all of you who have signed up to provide a present through the Bay Area Women and Children's Center's Angel Child program. Each year the BAWCC identifies Tenderloin and Western Addition families who cannot afford to buy holiday presents for their children and the description of a present each of their children would really like to have. If you are bringing a present to turn in, you can also find us at the Angel Child Table at the Holiday Faire. **If you will not be at church this Sunday or the next, you can turn your presents in to the church office by Sunday, December 11th so that they can be distributed to the families on December 12th!**

Forum: How Factory Farming Endangers Our Future with Wayne Hsiung - Dec. 11, 9:30 am TSK/Online

Animal rights activist Wayne Hsiung is an attorney, former faculty member at Northwestern School of Law, and co-founder of the Simple Heart Initiative. His work documenting disease and animal abuse at factory farms has been covered by The Washington Post, The Wall Street Journal, and The New York Times. He recently faced trial on felony charges related to an investigation and piglet rescue at the largest pig farm in the nation, and was acquitted by a Utah jury on October 8, 2022, a victory for the "right to rescue." Wayne blogs and hosts a podcast at simpleheart.substack.com. Forum: <https://www.uusf.org/forum> Zoom: <http://bit.ly/3VkpSXt>

Our Right To Celebrate With Love! - Dec. 11, 12:30 pm TSK Room/Online

All are invited to join our Human Rights Working Group for a special lunch to hear about our activities this year - our successes, our trials and tribulations, - and our plans for 2023! We would love to answer questions about our efforts, and welcome suggestions from newcomers and oldcomers alike. We look forward to seeing you. **RSVP if you can at humanrights@uusf.org.** Our unique plant-based lunch, courtesy of animal rights activist **Dean Guzman-Wyrzykowski**, will be environmentally-friendly and healthy! Menu to be announced soon. Natural wine from the vine will also be available.

Newcomer Orientation - Sunday, December 11 at 12:30 pm in the Fireside Room

Interested in learning more about Unitarian Universalism? Join us on December 11th after the service in the Fireside Room to meet some of our members and learn more about our congregation and Unitarian Universalism in the community. Questions? Email info@uusf.org

Young Adult Lunch Outing - Sunday, December 11, 12:30 @ UUSF

Join fellow young adults for our monthly lunch outing. We will gather after Sunday worship service, pick a place to eat, and then walk over there. So come enjoy the morning service 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.

It's YULE! Deck the Halls and Let's Be Jolly!

The Pagan Interest Circle (PICT) hosts a Yule Ritual and Holiday potluck party! Please join us in Ritual, Celebration and (pagan) Song on **Saturday, December 17 at 7:00pm in-person in the TSK Room**. The Earth's axial tilt is the farthest away from the sun and, for one moment, during the shortest day and the longest winter's night, the sun appears to "stand still." We hold our collective breath. Then, the Pagan Moon Goddess gives birth to the Sun God. The Wheel of the Year turns again.

Any questions? Contact Christine Patch-Lindsay at cplhealer@comcast.net

Poinsettia Dedications for December 24th Christmas Eve Candlelight Service

Please join us for carols and candlelight and an invitation for the spirit of the season to take hold of us on Saturday, December 24 at 4:45 pm in the Sanctuary or online.

Each year we thrill to an abundance of red poinsettias dedicated in honor or in memory of special loved ones. Please begin making your \$25 Poinsettia donations for 2022. You may pay by check, and if there is a dedication name note it on the memo line. Alternatively, you may pay via uusf.org payment donate button (here), but select Sunday Flowers/ Poinsettias line. You input the dedication online, but it is suggested you also email it to jsilk@uusf.org by Tuesday, December 20.

"Little Things Mean a Lot"

November 27, 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.

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