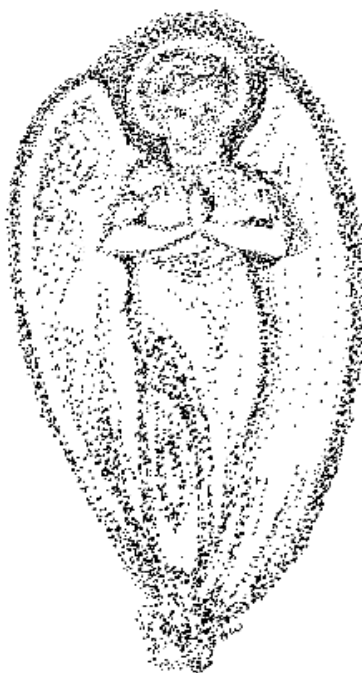


"To Change the World, with Love"

Sunday, February 27, 10:50 AM, 2022

First Unitarian Universalist Society of San Francisco





Order of Service
Sunday, February 27, 2022
10:50 AM - 12:15 PM

Livestreamed at bit.ly/uusfmedia

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Prelude	<i>The Themes from the Four Seasons</i> <i>Quien Sera (Sway)</i>	Antonio Vivaldi Reiko Oda Lane, Organist Pablo Beltrán Ruiz led by Reiko Oda Lane, Hand Bell Choir Director
Greeting and Welcome		Rev. Vanessa Rush Southern, Senior Minister
Hymn 44	<i>We Sing of Golden Mornings</i>	COMPLAINER Richard Fey, Baritone; Mark Sumner, Pianist
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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

Meditation on Breathing

When I breathe in, I'll breathe in peace.
When I breathe out, I'll breathe out love.

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

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 *What a Wonderful World*

George Weiss/Bob Thiele
Richard Fey, Baritone; Mark Sumner, Pianist

Reflection

Carmen Barsody, Worship Associate

Offering

Today's Offering will go to **Faith in Action**. They are a national network of faith-based community organizations in the United States. They believe in a society free of economic oppression, racism and discrimination. Its stated mission is "to increase access to health care, improve public schools, make neighborhoods safer, build affordable housing, redevelop communities and revitalize democracy."

More info go to faithinaction.org To make a donation on Vanco or using the Donate Button on our website, please select the "Special Offering" choice to make your gift. If you are sending a check, please mark in the memo "**Special Offering**" 2-27.22.

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Offertory Music *Bright is the ring of words*

Ralph Vaughan Williams
Richard Fey, Baritone; Mark Sumner, Pianist

Reading from the essay, "Uses of the Erotic: The Erotic as Power" by Audre Lorde

Music *Let Beauty Awake*

Ralph Vaughan Williams
Richard Fey, Baritone; Mark Sumner, Pianist

Sermon "To Change the World, with Love"

Rev. Vanessa Rush Southern

Brielle Marina Neilson & Ben Rudiak-Gould, Songleaders;
Allen Biggs, Percussionist; Mark Sumner; Pianist; Bell Choir led by Reiko Oda Lane

We come from the fire, living in the fire
Go back to the fire, turn the world around.

Oh, oh,so is life Abateewah, so is life
Oh, oh,so is life Abateewah, so is life

We come from the water, living in the water
Go back to the water, turn the world around

Water make the river, river wash the mountain
Fire make the sunlight, turn the world around

We come from the mountain living on the mountain,
go back to the mountain turn the world around

Heart is of the river, body is the mountain.
Spirit is the sunlight, turn the world around

Oh, oh,so is life, ah, ah so is life
Oh, oh,so is life, ah, ah so is life

We are of the spirit, truly of the spirit
Only can the spirit turn the world around

Do you know who I am. Do I know who you are
See we one another clearly, Do we know who we are

Oh, oh so is life Abateewah, so is life
Oh, oh so is life Abateewah, so is life

Do you know who I am. Do I know who you are
See we one another clearly, Do we know who we are

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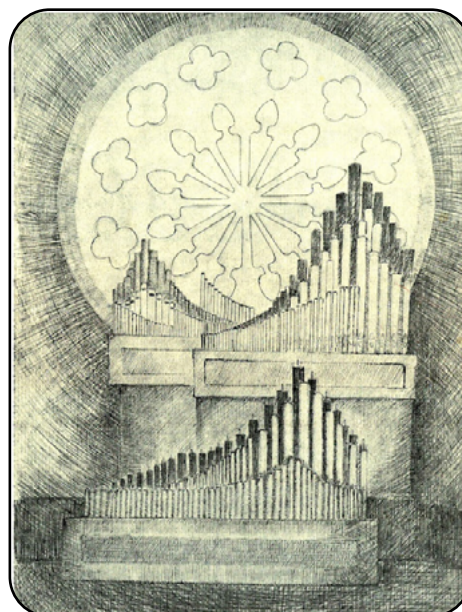
Benediction

Rev. Vanessa Rush Southern

Postlude *Laudamus te*

Wolfgang A. Mozart

Big Music Sunday November 24, 2019 Conducted by Mark Sumner; Michele Kennedy, soprano



PARTICIPANTS

Worship Leaders

Rev. Vanessa Rush Southern, Senior Minister
Carmen Barsody, Worship Associate

Muscians

Reiko Oda Lane, Organist & Bell Choir Director
Mark Sumner, Pianist & Music Director
Richard Fey, Baritone
Brielle Marina Neilson, Songleader
Ben Rudiak-Gould, Songleader
Allen Biggs, Percussionist
Michele Kennedy, Soprano

Sunday Support

Eric Shackelford, Camera
Shulee Ong, Camera
Donald Shearer, Camera
Jonathan Silk, Sound Livestream
Joe Chapot, Live Chat Moderator
Remigio Flood, Sexton
Kelvin Jones, Sexton
Judy Payne, Flowers
Tom Brookshire, Les James, Alex Darr, Zoom Coffee Hour



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 Virtual Coffee Hour 12:15 pm Sundays

The UUSF 20s & 30s Ministry Committee has suspended in-person events until further notice. Instead, join Vanessa, Maddy and Joe for a virtual Young Adult Coffee Hour every Sunday after worship! Bring your favorite warm beverage and/or brunch of choice as we catch up and reflect together.

Join via Zoom: bit.ly/coffeeya / Meeting ID: 875 0960 2044 Passcode: 322357

We Sing of Golden Mornings 44

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1. We sing of gold-en morn-ings, we sing of spar-king seas, of
 2. We sing the heart cou-ra-geous, the youth-ful, ea-ger mind; we

prai-ries, val-leys, moun-tains, and state-ly for-cst trees. We
 sing of hopes un-daunt-ed, of friend-ly ways and kind. We

sing of flash-ing sun-shine and life-be-stow-ing rain, of
 sing the ros-es wait-ing be-neath the deep-piled snows; we

birds a-mong the branch-es, and spring-time come a-gain.
 sing the earth's great splen-dor, whose beau-ty 'round us glows.

⊕ Words: Ralph Waldo Emerson, 1803–1882, recast 1925, 1950, 1990,
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 Music: William Walker's *Southern Harmony*, 1835

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Adult Spiritual Growth Classes (www.uusf.org/are)

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

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.

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.

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.

New UU: A 2-Session series for Visitors and Newcomers - Wednesdays, March 30 and April 6

A 2-Session series for Visitors and Newcomers Led by Rev. Alyson Jacks, Rev. Vanessa Southern

This interactive class will introduce you to Unitarian Universalism and our congregation. Register at bit.ly/newuuspring22

Session 1: Roots and Wings: History, Theology, Principles and Purposes: To understand where we are now culturally as a movement, in our philosophies and practices, and our place in the larger landscape of religious history, we'd like to give you an overview of some of the big sweeps of time and where Unitarian Universalism's roots began and where we find ourselves today. We will explore some of our history, theology, our principles and purposes.

Session 2: Community, Connection and Commitment: In session 2, we'll make time to share our own spiritual journeys as a way to build connection and understanding. We'll learn about the many programs and activities in our community that are open to all. And finally, we'll talk about rights, roles and responsibilities of membership at First Unitarian Universalist Society of San Francisco.

Black, Indigenous, & People of Color Gathering: 1st Sunday of the month from 9:30 AM to 10:50 am

The sacred space is open to our members and friends who are Black, Indigenous and People of Color, takes place by Zoom (for now) on the first Sunday of every month often from 9:30-11am. If you are interested in attending or finding out more, please email bipoc@uusf.org. Please come join this space for joy, renewal, care and inspiration.

Interfaith Food Pantry Needs Volunteers! Website: uusf.org/foodpantry Sign-Up at bit.ly/foodpantryuusf

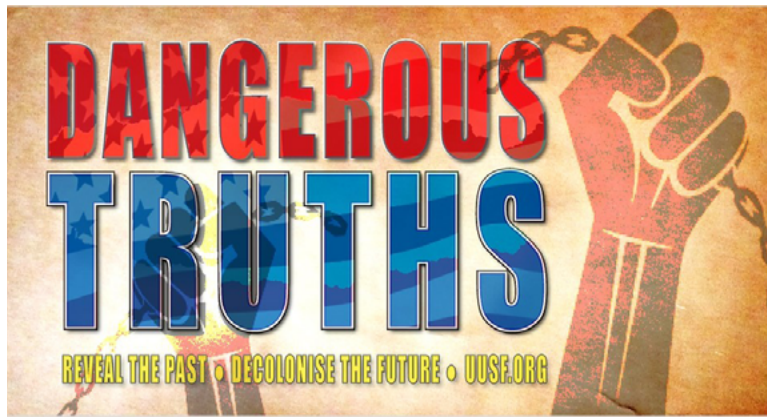
UUSF is one member of the Interfaith consortium, and on Saturday, March 12, it is our turn to lead and staff the pantry. Volunteers work 7:30 to 11 am, loading in the groceries received from the Food Bank, assembling grocery bags, and taking the bags outdoors to distribute to participants. In these times of uncertainty and social distancing, it is uplifting to work alongside each other in love and service to our community. If you have questions, contact Megan Lehmer at mlehmer@drlehmer.com or 415-385-0408.

Council of Committee Chairs Meeting: Sunday, March 13 at 12:30 pm

Save the Date, our bi-annual Council of Committee Chairs meeting. More details are coming soon, but all group and committee leaders are requested to attend, or send someone in their place. The event will either be online only or possibly hybrid, TBD.

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!



Dangerous Truths: New Perspectives on America's History - Feb 27 at 1pm - Zoom Link: bit.ly/dttruths1

The Doctrine of Discovery was codified in a series of 15th Century Papal bulls, issued during the time of early explorations by the ruling European powers. In part, it called for non-Christian peoples to be invaded, captured, vanquished, subdued, reduced to perpetual slavery, and to have their possessions and property seized by Christian monarchs. To what degree does this legacy impact our history and culture up to today?

Paul Magid on The Doctrine of Discovery | 1pm PT: Mr. Magid is an author, thespian, playwright and historian. His research on the wide-ranging arc of this proclamation will help us explore its influence that continues to affect not only the indigenous peoples of this country, but all of us.

And

Critical Race Theory (CRT) right wing media vilifies it, states are passing laws to ban its teaching: Join the presentation and discussion as to what this controversy is about and what is at stake for us all in its outcome.

Judge Angela Robinson (Ret.) on Critical Race Theory | 2pm PT: Judge Robinson is a Visiting Professor and a Waring and Carmen Partridge Faculty Fellow at Quinnipiac University. She teaches Evidence, and Critical Race Theory. Prior to joining the Quinnipiac faculty, she was a Connecticut Superior Court Judge for twenty years. Robinson's work focuses on civil litigation-related subjects, and social justice subjects implicated by racial equity issues, including critical race theory, race and the law and diversity, equity and inclusion within the legal profession.

Zoom Event Link:

bit.ly/dttruths1

Website:

www.uusf.org/hrwg

Email Us:

humanrights@uusf.org

To Sir(ve), With Love February 2022 Programing

Go to www.uusf.org/programs to register and to learn more!

To Support and Challenge, with Love

Monday, February 28, 7-8pm - Register: bit.ly/tosirwithlove22

Many of us have heard of professional coaches. Unlike sports coaches who work with teams and athletes, professional coaches work with people of all backgrounds and stages of career, helping them set and achieve their goals or make changes in their lives and careers. But what is coaching?

Hanna Clements-Hart, member for 10 years and an executive coach for 13 years, will give us a peek into this world and why she loves it. Hanna has worked with hundreds of individuals and dozens of companies and organizations such as Google, Twitter, Coursera, and the Packard Foundation.



“To Sondheim, with Love”

Sunday, February 20, 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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