Order of Service
Sunday June 9, 2024
10:50 AM - 12:15 PM

Livestreamed at bit.ly/uusfmedia


Welcome to Worship!

UUSF no longer requires masks indoors on our premises, following the lead of the San Francisco Department of Health.

We do, however, strongly recommend people to wear masks or do anything else that protects and respects their own health and comfort.

There is a designated mask-only area on the far right side of the Sanctuary.

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Prelude
*For the Beauty of the Earth*
Meditation from “Thais”

DIX arr. Kocher/Peeters
Jules Massenet
Reiko Oda Lane, organist

Opening Words and Welcome
Rev. Vanessa Rush Southern, Senior Minister

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 63
Spring Has Now Unwrapped the Flowers
BLACKBURN

(CLICK HERE OR TURN TO PAGE 6 TO VIEW HYMN)
Unison 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 below the skies; let songs of hope and

De todos bajo el gran sol; susa esperanza faith arise; Let peace, goodwill on earth be sung through

f&aelig;, amor; verdad, belleza cantando, de every land, by every tongue.

cada tierra, cada voz. Amen.

Story for All Ages

Rev. Laura Shennum, Minister of Congregational Life

Making of the Bouquets

Greeting One Another

Bell Anthem  

Kum Ba Yah  
American Spiritual arr. John F. Wilson

UUSF Handbell Choir, Reiko Oda Lane, director

Slideshow

Reflection  

Dennis Adams, Worship Associate
Homily

Offering

Today's plate collection will benefit the Society for Community Work (SCW) Scholarship Committee. Read more about today's offertory recipient on page 5. To make a donation on Vanco (bit.ly/uusfpayments), using the Donate Button on our website, or by scanning the QR code below, please select the line for either Sunday Plate Offering or Special Sunday Offerings. The designation is important to ensure your gift gets applied correctly. If you are sending a check, please mark in the memo today's date, 06-09-24, "Sunday Plate."

Offertory Music Duo des fleurs, from Lakme
Nancy Munn, Akane Ota, soloists; Wm. García Ganz, pianist

Blessing and Distribution of the Flowers
Rev. Laura Shennum

*Hymn 305 De Colores
(CLICK HERE OR TURN TO PAGES 7-9 TO VIEW HYMN)

*Benediction

Postlude Festival Toccata Percy Fletcher
Reiko Oda Lane, organist

*Please rise in body or spirit.
PARTICIPANTS

Worship Leaders
Rev. Vanessa Rush Southern, Senior Minister
Rev. Laura Shennum, Minister of Congregational Life
Dennis Adams, Worship Associate
Liz Strand, Secretary, Board of Trustees

Sunday Support
Shulee Ong; Eric Shackelford; Jackson Munn; Francisco Castellanos, Camera Operators
Jonathan Silk, Communications Director
Thomas Brown, Jose Matias Pineda, Francisco Castellanos, Sextons
Carrie Steere-Salazar, Flowers
Linda Messner, Head Usher

Musician
Reiko Oda Lane, Organist and Bell Choir Director
UUSF Bell Choir
UUSF Choir
Mark Sumner, Music Director
Nancy Munn, Akane Ota, Soloists
Wm. García Ganz, Pianist

OFFERTORY

Today’s plate collection will benefit the the Society for Community Work (SCW) Scholarship Committee. Scholarships are awarded to San Francisco high school students who will be the first generation in their family to attend college. If our scholars perform well in college, we will provide them with yearly scholarships to help them complete their undergraduate studies (www.uusf.org/scwscholarships). In addition to cash assistance, we offer mentoring and networking assistance.

GRATITUDES

I want to acknowledge and express my gratitude to all who supported our Religious Education program this year.

Family Minister Committee Members: Sara Ferree, Chair; Jay Gupta; Dennielle Kronenberg; Robert Jumonville, Christine Patch-Lindsay.

Classroom Volunteers: Sam King, Diana Bacon, Helen Everbach, Ruth Wong, Cinnamon Anderson, Alison Block, Fay Xie, Simmy Cover, Vicki Lang, Mirjam Jooss-Moren, Harry Moren, Sam Hamner, Mark Ferree, Vanessa Rush Southern, and Michelle Cilia.

Religious Education Staff: Alicia Cover, Brenaja Cates, Charu Sharma, Conor Shennum, and Vivian Ng.

In addition, I want to acknowledge and express my gratitude to our two hiring teams this year.

Membership and Young Adult Manager Hiring Team: Carrie Steere-Salazar, Jordan Ong, Sam King, and Rev. Vanessa Rush Southern.


Thank you for your time and dedication!
Rev. Laura Shennum, Minister of Congregational Life
Spring Has Now
Unwrapped the Flowers

1. Spring has now un-wrapped the flowers, day is fast re-
viv- ing, life in all her grow-ing powers
toward the light is striv-ing. Gone the i-ron touch of
cold, win-ter time and frost time, seed-lings work-ing fills, gold the green en-hanc-ing, flowers make glee a-
through the mold now make up for lost
time.

2. Herb and plant that, win-ter long, slumbered at their
le-isure, now be-stir-ring green and strong,
find in growth their plea-sure. All the world with beau-
mong the hills, set the mead-ows danc-ing.

Words: Piae Cantiones, 1582
© Music: Thomas Benjamin, 1940-, © 1992 Unitarian Universalist Association
BLACKBURN 7.6.7 6 D.
De Colores

1. All the colors, yes, the colors we see in the spring-time with all of its flowers.
2. All the colors, yes, the colors of people pa-
3. All the colors, yes, the black and the white and the red and the brown and the yellow.

De color-es, de color-es se vis-ten los camp-os en la pri-ma-ve-ra.

Words: David Arkin, used by perm. of Hodgin Press
Music: Traditional Spanish folk,
arr. by Betty A. Wylder, 1923- © 1992 Unitarian Universalist Association
DE COLORES Irregular with refrain
colors, when the sunlight shines out through a

colors, yes, the colors of pennants and

colors, all the colors of people who

or- es, de col- or- es son los pa- ja-

rift in the cloud and it showers. All the

streamers and plumes and bandannas. All the

smile and shake hands and say “Hello!” All the

ritos que vien- en de a fue- ra. De col-

colors, as a rainbow appears when a

colors, yes, the colors of people now

colors, yes, the colors of people who

or- es, de col- or- es es al ar- co

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storm cloud is touched by the sun.

taking their place in the sun. All the

know that their freedom is won. Y por

ir-is que ve-mos lu-cir.

colors abound for the whole world around and for

e-so los gran-des a-mores de much-os col-

ev'-ry-one un-der the sun.
or-es me gus-tan a mi. Interlude
TODAY!

Rent Plus: The Emergence of a New Landlord Tenant Relationship - Forum on June 9, 9:30 am TSK Room/Zoom

After the 2008 Financial Crisis, hundreds of thousands of single-family homes were foreclosed and reverted to the federal government, which was then transferred to hedge funds and private equity firms. These companies, each with tens of thousands of homes, invested in property technologies and created residential rental platforms to manage thousands of homes distributed across the country. These companies have made it easier to extract higher rents and fees while exerting more control over tenants’ lives. This presentation explores how these companies came to exist and how they are changing the landlord-tenant relationship. Presenter Nathan Gandrud, a law student at the University of San Francisco, focuses on public interest law and tenant’s rights. A light breakfast will be offered at 9:00 am. Zoom link: https://bit.ly/20240609ForumUUSF. You can phone in at +1 669 444 9171. Meeting ID: 944 2993 6269 Passcode: 908583

Newcomer Orientation - Sunday, June 9, 12:30 pm, Fireside Room

Those who are new to our church are encouraged to come and join us in the Fireside Room after the service so that they can get to know some of our members and learn more about Unitarian Universalism and our congregation. You will get the opportunity to meet other people in the community, ask any questions that you might have, and learn how to become involved in our activities and ministries. This is a wonderful opportunity.

Council of Committee Chairs Meeting - Sunday, June 9, 12:30 pm, TSK Room

We will hold our next Council of Committee Chairs meeting on June 9 at 12:30 p.m. We’ve set up a hybrid in-person/Zoom meeting, for which a link will be coming soon. We extend an invitation to all chairs of committees and groups to attend. The agenda items to anticipate include groups and committees and the rotation of roles and sharing of responsibilities for group sustainability, Rentals 101, AV Training, and FAQs on Publications Submissions. Zoom: https://bit.ly/6-9-24CCCUusf. Dial in at +1 408 638 0968 US, Meeting ID: 829 7696 7073, Passcode: 353307

STARR KING WAY Performance Series: Classical Guitarist Eric Hamilton in Concert

Sunday, June 9, 1:30 pm, Sanctuary

Eric Hamilton, a guest guitar soloist at UUSF, presents a vibrant, inclusive, and joyful music program reflecting the organization’s mission. The program features major composers from the past five centuries, including Bach, Dowland, Weiss, DeFalla, Tarrega, Albeniz, and others. Hamilton is celebrating his 20th year in service as the premier performer in the new Performance Series, reflecting the diverse musical influences of England, Germany, France, Spain, Asia, and North, Central, and South America. For those who wish, a light lunch ($10 suggested donation) will be available from 12:45–1:15 just outside the sanctuary narthex. Tickets for the event are $20 suggested donation; alternatively, visit https://bit.ly/uusfpayments to become a subscriber and donate to the SKWPS Arts Fund, or use your phone to scan the QR code. Enter your amounts by scrolling down to SKWPS Tickets or SKWPS/Arts Fund Donations & Subscribers.

HAPPENINGS

Young Adult Lunch outing: Village Cafe - Sunday June 16, meet at UUSF after worship

Please join us on the third Sunday of every month to share lunch with other young adults. We are going to get together and walk to Village Cafe after the Sunday worship service at UUSF. Getting to know new people and spending time with people you already know is a pleasant experience. Whether you are a newcomer to our community or have been a member for a long time, we welcome anyone between the ages of 18 and 39. Either bring small bills with you or be ready to utilize a money transfer app of your choosing. We urge that you do either. Please do not hesitate to get in touch with Emma Wakeling, the Membership and Young Adult Manager, at ewakeling@uusf.org if you have any inquiries for her.
Join us for the SCW Scholarship Committee's End of Year Celebration!
Sunday, June 23, 12:30 pm, TSK Room & Courtyard
The SCW Scholarship Committee is excited to invite you to our end of school year celebration on Sunday June 23rd 12:30 - 2:00 pm in TSK Room and Courtyard. We will start with a short program and then enjoy a delicious lunch in the company of our amazing scholars and mentors. We are requesting a $20 donation so that we can offer the lunch to our scholars for free. Please sign up at https://bit.ly/4el2Lqa by June 22 or scan than the QR code so we can get the right amount of food from the caterer.

Dreamscapes: Immersive Art Show by Elaine Pratt in the King Rooms until June 30
Elaine Pratt’s new artwork entitled “Dreamscapes” showing in the Kings Gallery until June 30. Elaine creates abstract works using layers of photos and drawings, layered and masked in Photoshop for texture, color, and shape. The process is immersive and meditative, with meaning emerging from the complexity of the technique. Inspired by nature, science, energy, and emotions, Elaine embraces the happy accident and allows the image to evolve and communicate for herself. Check it out; you’ll be amazed!

An All-Ages Sangha in the Thich Nhat Hanh Plum Village Tradition - Fridays from 4:30 pm to 6:00 pm, Chapel
We are happy to announce that a new weekly Buddhist meditation group is coming to UUSF. We are the Home Within Sangha—a local San Francisco community of meditation practitioners in Zen Master Thich Nhat Hanh’s engaged Plum Village tradition. No experience is necessary. Come to 1187 Franklin Street, and someone will let you in at the glass doors. To join our mailing list, visit https://bit.ly/SangaGroupUUSF and click “Ask to join group” All are welcome. We hope to see you there!

Black, Indigenous, and People of Color Gathering: July 7 from 9:30 am in the Stebbins Room and on Zoom.
This sacred space is open to our members and friends who are Black, Indigenous and People of Color. The meeting takes place by Zoom on the first Sunday of every month from 9:30-10:50am. 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.

Feed Our Community: Volunteer at the Interfaith Food Pantry - Saturday, July 20, 2024
Join UUSF members and community volunteers to distribute groceries to 325+ households on Saturday, July 20, 2024. Food prices are high, and we are needed now. Volunteer shifts start at 8:15 am, and 7:30 am if you can help unload the truck. Go to www.uusf.org/foodpantry to sign up, check out the calendar, and if you have questions, contact Hanna Hart or Ben Bear.

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

Ministers' Book Group: June - Hijab Butch Blues: A Memoir by Lamya H - June 26
In our June book gathering, we will read the memoir of a young, queer, and hijab-wearing Muslim who comes to the US and her quest to find and be herself. Things about being an immigrant make that hard, and her family and larger community of Muslims can too. It is honest and searching, but the surprise and delight is how her search, within her faith tradition, leads her to passages, stories, and people in the Quran that can be read as liberatory and supportive of her own story, life choices, and journey. We will meet on Zoom Wednesday, June 26th, 6:30-8 pm. More Info and to register: https://www.uusf.org/are

Morning Meditation & Equanimity Practice
Morning Meditation - Tuesdays & Thursday, 8-8:30 am: A simple, centering loving kindness meditation practice which is appropriate for all religious backgrounds and levels of meditation. Equanimity Practice - Fridays, 8-8:30 am: 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. Both on Zoom: https://bit.ly/3A8ZI73
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.

CONGREGATIONAL COVENANT (under construction)
In an effort to make the world a better place, we support each other’s journey to seek truth with openness, curiosity and respect for different perspectives and paths.

As love is our spirit, we commit to respect, accept, listen to and support each other.

We hold ourselves and each other accountable by continually assessing our individual and community actions toward living into our covenant. This will include speaking up when someone’s actions are not aligned.

We commit to be in community with openness and loving kindness, acknowledging our own biases and differing perspectives.

We welcome the newcomer, we commit to building trust with each other, we celebrate differences and make space for repair when harm occurs.

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“A Look Back”
Sunday, June 2, 2024, 10:50 am

Scan the QR code ↑ to visit our UUSF Media YouTube channel and view upcoming and previously recorded services.