



First Unitarian Portland  
*Order of Service*

Sunday, August 25, 2024 | In-person or [Livestream](#) | 10:15 a.m.

Summer 2024 Spiritual Theme: "Rest, Reflect, Renew"

Gathering Hymn #1000	"Morning Has Come"	Garrett Bond, Choir Director
Welcome		Dana Buhl, Dir. of Social Justice
Chalice Lighting		Aria and Maxson Peters
Call to Worship		Rev. Alison Miller
Anthem	"Imagine" John Lennon	Richard Scher and Gilda Lorensen
Ritual	"Blessing the Next"	Rev. Leah Ongiri, Dir. of Lifespan Faith Formation & Family Ministries Aria and Maxson Peters
Doxology #123	"Spirit of Life"	
Offertory	"Air" from Suite in D Major J.S. Bach	Signe Lusk, piano
Pastoral Concerns & Prayer		Dana Buhl
Silent Meditation		
Hymn #354	"We Laugh, We Cry"	
Reading	"The Tyger" William Blake	Dana Buhl
Anthem	"What the World Needs Now" Jackie DeShannon	Richard Scher and Gilda Lorensen
Sermon	"Question Box"	Rev. Alison Miller
Prayer		
Hymn #1003	"Where Do We Come From?"	
Benediction		
Postlude	"Andante molto" from Sonata in E Minor Edvard Grieg	Signe Lusk, piano

# A Glimpse of Upcoming Gatherings

Subscribe to our weekly "Front Steps" for FULL church updates, links, events, and special information: [tinyurl.com/enews-signup](https://tinyurl.com/enews-signup).

## Happening Sunday 8/25/2024

- **Free Parking Every Sunday** in the U-Park across the street until 4p. First-come first-serve
- **Childcare 6mo-3yrs:** Location: A103 Nursery
- **Social Hour:** This Sunday we will be in Buchan Reception
- **Newcomers!** Please join us right after the service // Gather at the "Welcome Circle" sign at the Sanctuary's front right corner.
- **Listening Circles:** 11:45a after the service // Eliot Chapel
- **UU the Vote Boost : Come Learn about Our Campaign & Write Letters** 12:00p // Buchan Reception
- **Young Adult Summer Meetup:** 11:30a // Location: Fireside, A303

## Shower Project Needs Clothes & Toiletries

Your donations of these specific items will make a big difference in the lives of those we serve. Thank you for your support!

- Cases of water bottles
- Used or new adult sweatshirts (M & L)
- Used or new jeans, belts, and shoes (all sizes)
- New boxers or boxer briefs
- Disposable razors, preferably double-bladed
- Small containers of shaving cream
- Emory boards & nail clippers
- Granola bars
- Sugar packets for tea/coffee

Items can be left in the COHHO bins in Fuller Hall.

## Recurring Workshops, Classes & Open Gatherings

- 🎨 **Art Wall Exhibition:** Come down to Fuller Hall and enjoy a wide variety of art each month!
- 💖 **Caregivers Support Group:** Open to Newcomers. Fourth Sunday of each month at 9a [via Zoom](#).
- 🌱 **First Steps:** First Sunday of most months @12:15p in Channing.
- 🕒 **Friday Vesper Services:** from 5 - 5:40p [via Zoom](#). *(Will return in September)*
- 💬 **Mental Health Caregivers Group:** Second Wednesdays every month via Zoom 7-8:30p. [Email](#).
- 🌈 **"T" Time: A Trans, Nonbinary, & Gender-Expansive, Exclusive Gathering:** meet on the 2nd and 4th Sundays in Channing Room at noon.
- Alliance Presents...** Every first Wednesday of the month @10:30a in Eliot Chapel.
- Labyrinth:** First Sundays of the month in Fuller Hall



**DONATE**

Navigate to the [Front Steps](#) or [Church Calendar](#) for more information on gatherings: [beacons.ai/firstupdx](https://beacons.ai/firstupdx)

[Your donations support the work of this church.](#)

*Thank you! Please feel free to add a note to direct your donation to a specific effort.*

### Need help locating a room?

Ask an usher with a red name tag! They'd be happy to help.

### Your group still meeting during the summer?

Contact [communications@firstunitarianportland.org](mailto:communications@firstunitarianportland.org)

## Our Mission

First Unitarian aims to create a welcoming community of diverse individuals; to promote love, reason, and freedom in religion; to foster lifelong spiritual growth; and to act for social justice.

## Our Vision

First Unitarian Portland is a beacon of hope for us and for our community, a spiritual center in the heart of our city that helps each of us to find our moral compass, calling and challenging us to build the beloved community with an ever-deepening sense of spirit, diversity, & inclusion.

## Shared Plate Plate

Today's plate is shared with UU the Vote. UU the Vote is a bold initiative created by the Unitarian Universalist Association's Side With Love team.