



First Unitarian Portland
Order of Service

Sunday, October 20, 2024 | In-person or [Livestream](#) | 10:15 a.m.
October 2024 Spiritual Theme: "Trust"

Gathering Hymn #1021	"Lean on Me"	
Welcome		Rev. Thomas Disrud
Chalice Lighting		
Anthem	"Sim Shalom" — Max Janowski	Chancel Choir / Signe Lusk, Conductor
Call to Worship		Rev. Alison Miller
Responsive Reading	"Why Community" — Pamela Rumancik	
Doxology	"Spirit of Life"	
Testimonial		Theo Harper
An Invitation to Generosity		Rev. Miller
Offering		
Offertory	"Sicilienne de Pelleas et Melisande" — Gabriel Fauré	Joe O'Donnell, organ Signe Lusk, piano
Pastoral Concerns & Prayer		Rev. Disrud
Silent Meditation		
Hymn #404	"What Gift Can We Bring?"	
Reading	"When Giving Is All We Have" Alberto Ríos	
Anthem	"Be My Guide" — Betty Ann Ramseth	
Sermon	"Join the Journey of Generosity"	Rev. Miller
Hymn	"Life Calls Us On"	
Benediction		
Postlude	"Bergamasca from Ancient Airs and Dances, Suite No. 2" — Ottorino Respighi	Joe O'Donnell, organ Signe Lusk, piano

JOIN THE JOURNEY



OF GENEROSITY

WELCOME TO OUR SEASON OF GIVING FOR 2025

Our goal during this time is to give everyone an opportunity to reflect on the personal and communal commitments that hold us here and to engage in the spiritual practice of generosity.

It is during this time that we ask our members and friends to make a financial committed in the form of a Pledge. A Pledged Gift is the intended amount you plan to give over 2025 to support the church and our work. Your Pledge can always be adjusted should your circumstances change. You can fulfill your Pledge on whatever schedule works for you.

If you are new – welcome! Consider this a chance to learn about how Pledging works here... there is no pressure to give at this point, and when you are ready, we'd love to have your support.



If you have given in the past, your personalized giving packet is in the mail.

If you are a "Sustainer" your pledge has been counted towards our goal. We are so grateful!

Please review your packet information before making a decision on your 2025 gift to the church.

You can give to the church anytime, but it is our *Season of Giving* that funds our budget and pays our staff.

Please Pledge before Celebration Sunday on November 17!

A Glimpse of Upcoming Gatherings

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

Happening Sunday 10/20/2024

- **Newcomers!** Please join us right after the service // Gather at the "Welcome Circle" sign at the Sanctuary's front right corner
- **Childcare 6mo-3yrs:** Location: A103 Nursery
- **Social Hour:** This Sunday we will be in Fuller Hall
- **Social Justice/Membership at First U PDX:** Please join us in A108 right after the service for a Q&A session on all the ways you can be involved with Social Justice at First Unitarian Portland.
- **Free Parking Every Sunday** in the U-Park across the street until 4p. First-come first-serve

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!

- Plastic grocery bags with handles
- Mens jeans and pants (all sizes)
- Winter coats and rainwear
- Mens sneakers and boots (all sizes)
- Disposable razors
- Granola bars

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!

Loving Kindness Meditation: [On Zoom](#) Mondays from 8-8:30p.

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](#).

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 after the service.

Alliance Presents: Usually 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

[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! They'd be happy to help.

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

For the month of October, we share our plate with the Unitarian Universalist Association's Disaster Relief Fund. The scale of destruction in the wake of Hurricane Helene has been utterly devastating to many communities in the southeastern United States. Some Unitarian Universalist congregations have been seriously impacted and others are still trying to assess the damage.