

**Gathering Hymn #38** "Morning Has Broken"

Welcome Rev. Thomas Disrud

**Chalice Lighting** 

Call to Worship Rev. Alison Miller

Anthem "God Bless America" Chancel Choir / Garrett Bond,

arr. Roy Ringwald Director

Responsive Reading "In Troubled Times We Come"

Stephen Schick

**Doxology** "Spirit of Life"

Josie Truszkowski

Time for All Ages

Our Church Story

Ruth Lewellen-Dix

Rev. Leah Ongiri

Director

Hymn of Blessing #413 "Go Now In Peace"

**Testimonial** "Join the Journey of Generosity" Ameena Amdahl-Mason

Offertory "Hymn" Joe O'Donnell, organ
- William Albright

Pastoral Concerns & Prayer Rev. Disrud

**Silent Meditation** 

Reading "Metempsychosis" Rev. Disrud

- Jane Hirshfield

Anthem "We Shall Overcome" Chancel Choir / Garrett Bond,

arr. Garrett M. Bond

Sermon "Navigating National Narratives" Rev. Miller

**Prayer** 

**Hymn #1054** "Let This Be a House of Peace"

**Benediction** 

Postlude "Trumpet Tunes" Joe O'Donnell, organ

- Calvin Hampton

### First Unitarian Portland





# WELCOME TO OUR SEASON OF GIVING FOR 2025

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

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 over the course of the year.

This is a church of great financial diversity, which we deeply embrace and appreciate. To make this a church for all, we ask those who are able, to carry a greater financial commitment to our beloved community. This year we are asking those who can to make a substantial increase in their giving, please consider an increase of 10% or more.

If you have been touched by First Unitarian, whether it be a sermon, the music, our social justice work, our support of children and youth coming up in the world, or something deeply personal, please make a pledge of financial support to the church.

All gifts matter here and every dollar brings us closer to our goal of 1.4 million!

## Please Pledge before Celebration Sunday, November 17!

We need your help to reach our goal!

Scan the QR code or go to the link below: <a href="https://tinyurl.com/FirstUPDX2025">https://tinyurl.com/FirstUPDX2025</a>



# 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 11/03/2024

- Pancake Breakfast. 8:45 a.m. in Buchan Hall. Many flavors ⊕. Thank you, Men's Group!
- **Join the Journey on the Labyrinth.** 9:30 a.m. 12 p.m. in Fuller Hall
- **Newcomers!** Please join us right after the service // Gather at the "Welcome Circle" sign at the Sanctuary's front right corner
- The 100th Anniversary of Eliot Chapel: Architecture Panel, with George Crandall, Cindy Cumfer, and Roger Robinson. 12:15 p.m. in Eliot Chapel
- First Steps Orientation and Campus Tour. Channing Rm. A101 beginning at 11:45 a.m. Meet church leaders, learn about our activities and programs, and tour our campus.
- Childcare 6mo-3yrs: Location: A-103 Nursery
- **Social Hour:** We'll be in Buchan Hall this Sunday.

# 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.

# **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!

- Blankets and sleeping bags
- Winter coats/jackets (all sizes)
- Snacks of all kinds
- Plastic shopping bags with handles
- Boxes of q-tips
- Air fresheners

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



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 November, we share our plate with Interfaith Movement for Immigrant Justice (IMIr]). Its mission is to support and equip communities and people of faith to advance immigrant justice through direct accompaniment of immigrants facing detention and deportation, policy advocacy, and purposeful organizing. IMIrJ creates a more just world for immigrants, migrants, and asylum seekers by taking both immediate and long-term collective, intentional action.