



First Unitarian Portland  
*Order of Service*

Sunday, December 1, 2024 | In-person or [Livestream](#) | 10:15 a.m.  
December 2024 Spiritual Theme: "Mystery"

Gathering Hymn	"Gathered Here"	
Welcome		Rev. Thomas Disrud
Chalice Lighting		
Lighting the Advent Wreath		Danielle Garrett, Assistant Minister
Hymn	"People Look East"	
Responsive Reading	"We Gather in Reverence"	
Doxology	"Spirit of Life"	
Offertory	"Cello Sonata, Op.19, mvt. 3 " Sergei Rachmaninoff	Josh Koller, cello
Pastoral Concerns & Prayer		Rev. Disrud
Silent Meditation		
Hymn	"Winds Be Still"	
Reading	"Logos" Mary Oliver	
Musical Interlude	"Après un Rêve" Gabriel Fauré	Josh Koller, cello
Sermon	"Let the Mystery Be"	Danielle Garrett
Prayer		
Hymn	"Wake Now My Senses"	
Benediction		
Postlude	"Beau Soir" Claude Debussy	Josh Koller, cello

# 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 12/1/2024

- **New folks!** Please join us right after the service // Gather at the "Welcome Circle" sign at the Sanctuary's front right corner.
- **Childcare 6mo-3yrs:** Location: A-103 Nursery.
- **Social Hour:** This Sunday we will be in Fuller Hall. Enjoy our Art Wall. Browse our Bookstore. Find just the right greeting card.
- **Free Parking Every Sunday** in the U-Park across the street until 4 p.m.. First-come first-serve.

## Pick up your name tags!

**Location:** Sanctuary Lobby

## Shower Project Needs

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

- Men's white t-shirts (med/large)
- Men's boxer briefs (med/large)

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.



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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! 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 December, we share our plate with Aliento, a community organization in Phoenix that believes in transforming trauma into hope and action with dreamers, undocumented students, and mixed-status families.