



First Unitarian Portland  
*Order of Service*  
Sunday, January 19, 2025 | In-person or [Livestream](#) | 10:15 a.m.  
January's Spiritual Theme: "Threshold"

<b>Gathering Hymn #163</b>	"For the Earth Forever Turning"	
<b>Welcome</b>		Rev. Leah Ongiri, Director of Lifespan Faith Formation
<b>Chalice Lighting</b>		Danielle Garrett and Rowan Nichols
<b>Testimony</b>	"Sharing the Light"	Beth Markhart
<b>Anthem</b>	"Earth Song" Frank Ticheli	Chancel Choir / Garrett Bond, Director
<b>Unison Reading</b>	"Love is the Spirit" James Vila Blake	
<b>Doxology</b>	"Spirit of Life"	
<b>Story for All Ages</b>	Part 1: "Something, Someday" Amanda Gorman Christian Robinson, illustrator	Rev. Ongiri
<b>Candlelighting, Pastoral Concerns &amp; Prayer</b>		Rev. Alison Miller
<b>Musical Meditation</b>		
<b>Hymn #199</b>	"Precious Lord, Take My Hand"	
<b>Offertory</b>	"Balm in Gilead" Adolphus Hailstork	Joe O'Donnell, organ
<b>Reading</b>	Part 2: "Something, Someday" Amanda Gorman Christian Robinson, illustrator	Rev. Ongiri
<b>Anthem</b>	"I Dream a World" Andre Thomas	
<b>Homily</b>	"Mission Possible"	Rev. Miller
<b>Ritual</b>	Growing the Beloved Community	
<b>Hymn #118</b>	"This Little Light of Mine"	
<b>Benediction</b>		
<b>Postlude</b>	"Amazing Grace " Adolphus Hailstork	Joe O'Donnell, organ

# 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 1/19/2025

- **MLK Celebration Event & Activity:** Please join us in Fuller Hall, immediately following the service.

**"Our Lives begin to end the day we become silent about things that matter"**

- Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.

- **Enjoy "Walking Tacos"!** Light lunch in Fuller Hall after the service.

- **Childcare 6mo-3yrs:** Location: A-103 Nursery.

- **Free Parking Every Sunday** in the U-Park across the street until 4 p.m. First-come first-serve.

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## Recurring Workshops, Classes & Open Gatherings

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**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

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

- New men's boxers (M/L)
- New women's underwear (M/L)
- Women's leggings
- Coffee creamer and sugar
- Napkins
- Mini flashlights
- Hand warmers

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



Navigate to the [Front Steps](#) or [Church Calendar](#) for more information on gatherings. [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.

## Pick up your name tags! 🇺🇸

**Location:** Sanctuary Lobby

**Need a name tag?** [Fill out this form](#) to request a physical name tag.

### 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

For the month of January, we are pleased to share our plate with [Innovation Law Lab](#). They write "The U.S. government's vast detention and deportation machine works to grind down the spirit of the immigrant. In its wake, communities are torn apart, families separated, and refugees forced to relinquish their right to freedom, inclusion, and safety."