

# *John Dewey, Liberal Prophet*

October 22, 2017

**Prelude**

*I'll Fly Away*  
arr. Mark Hayes

Jera Cox  
Danny Groh

**Welcome**

Tim Kraus  
Rev. Benjamin Maucere

**Doxology**

*Come, come, whoever you are  
wanderer, worshiper, lover of leaving  
ours is no caravan of despair  
come, yet again come.*

**Call to Worship**

**Opening Hymn**

#151 *I Wish I Knew How*

**Time for All Ages**

Meredith Plummer

**Chalice Lighting**

Nora Albritton

Blessed is the fire of our faith and the chalice of our community.  
*Blessed is the living tradition that we carry forward in our work and in our love.*  
Blessed is the transient flame we kindle here,  
*Blessed is the illuminated moment of our gathering.*  
Blessed is the light of the eternal;  
*Blessed is the sacred call of life to which we give ourselves in answer.*

**Children's Recessional**

*You bring us hope and help to see our future world that's yet to be.  
You teach us much as years go by. You are our strength, our joy, our pride.*

**Pastoral Hymn**

#34 *Though I may Speak with Bravest Fire*

**Candles of Joys and Sorrows**

## ***Vision Song***

Shelley Jackson Denham

*We are a liberal religious haven, welcoming wonder, and spiritually free.  
We're sustained by a loving tradition, moved and inspired by the future we see.  
Boldly seeking and working for justice,  
gently transforming lives through deeds great and small.  
Young and old, sharing meaning and mission,  
we joyfully offer our vision to all!*



## ESPECIALLY FOR VISITORS

Welcome to First Church! Please join us after the service for conversation and refreshments. Stop by the Welcome Counter (as you entered) to sign up for our newsletter so you can find out about upcoming events and activities.

### **Questions about First Church and Unitarian-Universalism?**

Come to an informal session to learn more and get your questions answered. The next visitor information session is Nov. 5 after the service. Childcare is provided and even a snack! No need to RSVP – just come to the Fisher Room (just beyond the coffee) at 11:15.

### **Ready to join?**

If you've been attending for a while and have participated in an orientation, we'd love to have you make an official commitment to First Church. **The next membership signings are Oct. 29 and Nov. 12** after the service in the Fisher Room.

For more information, please contact Carol Lloyd, [calloyd1102@gmail.com](mailto:calloyd1102@gmail.com) or 513 515 6891.

## TODAY

**Today in Sunday School** your prekindergartner and kindergartners will meet the people who run this congregation. Your first to third graders will share what makes them special. The fourth and fifth graders will talk about the importance of grandparents. Upstairs, your Junior High continue making decisions for the UUville Highschool. Senior High youth will play "get-to-know-you" games with our new Senior High youth advisor, Colleen Culley!

**Today - 11: 30 a.m. - the Peace Committee Open Forum** meets in the Sanctuary to discuss the Nuclear Threat. We will look at major world players as well as safety issues going well beyond bellicose leaders. All are welcome and feel free to bring friends!

**Today the Choir Sings** John Rutter's "When the Saints Go Marching In." We welcome musical guests Danny Groh on percussion and Joe and Sally Lukasik on clarinet and trumpet. The choir will be singing a set of Spanish pieces. Park Dendy and Zoe Zoller will perform "All Good Gifts."

# UPCOMING EVENTS

**Mon., Oct. 23, 11:30 a.m. – Meditation Group** in the Sanctuary.

**Sun. Oct. 29** is our **Special Plate collection** for the Adventist Outreach Food Pantry. Many of us volunteer there and get an immense sense of satisfaction seeing needy Avondale area folks get food help they really need. Donations will help support a Thanksgiving Food distributions to 450-500 needy families so they can enjoy a holiday meal with their families. If you will not be at services on that Sunday, you can send a donation via check to the church. Make the check payable to First Unitarian Church and put "Adventist Outreach" on the memo line.

**Sun., Nov. 5 – In the Ellen Hall Room – Holiday Shopping with a Bonus!** The annual Ten Thousand Villages and First Unitarian Church Holiday Partnership Shopping 'Day' will last a whole week! You can shop on Sun., Nov. 5 here at church and through Sat., Nov. 11 at all three store locations. During this time, the store gives 15% of all purchases by our members and friends to First Church, **but you must mention First Unitarian at checkout.** See Pat Smart, Lisa Littner, Cynthia Heinrich or Bev Baker for details. Ten Thousand Villages supports Fair Trade by selling unique handicraft items from around the world.

**Sat., Nov. 11 – 2071 Prepare Affair** through People Working Cooperatively. If you are interested in joining First Church Members and friends please register online at <https://secure.pwchomerepairs.org/prepare> or you can contact their volunteer department at 513.351.7921. Just select First Church as your Group and Jennifer Alvis (513.802.4060) as crew leader, so we can help our local elderly and people with disabilities prepare their yards and homes for winter. Services range from raking leaves and cleaning gutters to other small winter preparation tasks.

**Today's FP Volunteers:** Mimi Gingold (infant and toddler); TBD (prekindergarten and kindergarten); Lisa Littner and Laurie Rivers (first through third grade); Rose Conley and Sallie Barringer (fourth through fifth); Kara Uhl (Junior High) and Denys Steele (Senior High).