



# *The Creative Journey*

Rev. Katie Stein Sather

– November 20, 2016 –

# UNITARIAN CHURCH OF VANCOUVER

## Celebration of Worship

## November 20, 2016

At the front of the church you will find unlit candles. You are welcome to light a candle in remembrance, in gratitude, in prayer, in celebration.



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*The prelude helps to create a spirit for shared celebration and worship.  
Please refrain from conversing and please turn off your cell phones.*

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<b>Prelude</b>	<i>Land of the Silver Birch – Variations</i> <i>Canoe Song</i>	Pierre Gallant Adrian Webster played by E. Dainow
<b>Invocation</b>	<i>May Your Life Be as a Song</i>	J. Scott and Y. Zaritsky with the Chalice Choir
<b>Opening Words/Greeting Our Neighbours</b>		Leonie Armstrong
<b>Kindling the Chalice Flame</b>		Rev. Katie Stein Sather
<b>Opening Hymn #30</b>		<i>Over My Head</i>
<b>Story for All Ages</b>		
	Let's Sing the Children Out "Go now..."	
<b>Welcome and Announcements</b>		Paul Prescod
<b>Reading from the Book of Celebrations and Concerns</b>		Paul Prescod
<b>Offering:</b> <i>We deeply appreciate your presence here, your offerings and the gifts you share.</i>		<i>C'est l'Aviron</i> trad. Quebecois with Reuvenna Ross & E. Dainow
<b>Meditation, Spoken then Silent</b>		Rev. Katie Stein Sather
<b>Musical Response</b>	<i>Miles to Go Before I Sleep</i>	L. Nickel, with poetry by R. Frost with the Chalice Choir

**Sermon**

*The Creative Journey*  
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**Closing Hymn #1024**

*When the Spirit Says Do*

**Closing Words/Extinguishing the Chalice Flame**

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**Valediction**

*Carry the flame of peace and love, until we meet again.  
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**Next Sunday Service: November 27, 2016, 11 am**

# ***The Important Stuff is Invisible***

**Rev. Steven Epperson**

The seats in the rear of the church are ***reserved***:  
(when facing the front) *left side for parents with babies or small children in childcare, and right side for persons in wheelchairs*

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# *UCV Upcoming Seasonal Events*

*949 W. 49th Avenue (Oak and 49<sup>h</sup>)*



**Nov. 27**                      11 am                      *First Sunday Advent Worship Service*  
*“The Important Stuff is Invisible” From the structure of the universe to the “wood wide web” network of roots and fungi—the interdependent web of existence is at work. Awe inspiring!!*

**Dec. 4**                      11 am                      *Worship Service*  
*“A Unitarian Christmas?” How a bunch of “non-believers(?)” helped to inspire, create, and revive the Christmas Holiday. No kidding!*

**Dec. 4**                      7:30 pm                      *Chalice Choir Advent Concert*  
*“Singing the Season” Featuring Bach’s Cantata BWV 140 “Wachet Auf” and a sing-along of seasonal favourites. Tickets \$20 (or pay what you can) Come early for the Arts and Crafts Fair!*

**Dec. 11**                      11 am                      *Worship Service*  
*“Orlando Six Months Later” An uplifting story of how Orlando Unitarians supported the victims of the Pulse Nightclub shootings and the wider Orlando, Florida community.*

**Dec. 18**                      11 am                      *Seasonal Pageant*  
*“In the Beginning...”*

**Dec. 18**                      7:30 pm                      *Candlelight Service*  
*A UCV tradition: worship, the spoken word, seasonal carols and music, featuring the Chalice Choir, honouring the festivals of December and the beginning of a new year. All are invited. Childcare provided. (Light dessert potluck after the service in the Hall. Please bring a dish & stick around.)*



**Dec. 24**                      7 pm                      *Christmas Eve Celebration*  
*On this evening, we gather with candles, carols and story to commemorate our fellowship and the gifts of the season. Bring your family and friends; all are invited to this service for all ages. Childcare provided.*

**Dec. 25**                      2 pm                      *Christmas Carol-Sing/Potluck*  
*We’ll gather in the Sanctuary, then move to the Hewett Hall for a bite to eat and holiday fun. Bring a dish and your carol singing voices. Join with UCV members and friends—Christmas cheer for all ages!*

Join with us! Bring your family, children and friends as we observe this special time in the year through music, pageants, meditation, food and the spoken word.

# **NOVEMBER 20, 2016**

**CHILDREN'S PROGRAM:** Childcare is available free for the younger ones (aged three and under) in Servetus Room on the main floor of Hewett Centre.

**LOVE SOUP IS TODAY:** Please come and enjoy our delicious soup, fresh salad, yummy dessert and tasty Terra Breads in our Hewett Centre dining room. It is an enjoyable and tasty way to help fundraise for our beautiful church! Your help in any size, small or large, will always be appreciated!

**ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE MEETING TODAY:** 12:30—2 pm in Biddle. Agenda items include reporting on yesterday's Stop Kinder Morgan March and Rally, how to support the fight against fish farming in BC, going solar at UCV, planning the 2016 Earth Day service, and more. All are welcome.

**FORUM, FIRESIDE, 12:30 – 1:30 PM**

**THE THIRD SUNDAY BOOK GROUP** is discussing Julian Barnes' *Sense of an Ending and the Noise of Time* today in Lindsey-Priestley at 12:30 pm with Rhea Kikkert as facilitator. Please join us!

## **HOW WE'RE CHANGING THE WORLD!**

The UCV Environment Committee liaises with numerous non-violent action groups locally, nationally, and internationally.

## **A REMINDER TO ALL**

Please keep the doors locked at all times and keep watch over personal items!

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

**ONE OF UCV'S CARETAKERS, MARCUS HYNES**, has recently taken over the Office Assistant position here at UCV. If you have not yet been acquainted with him, please feel free to stop by and say hello. He works in the office Monday through Thursday, 9:30 am – 2 pm. We'd love to see you! –Hunter MacNiven

**CHALICE CHOIR ANNUAL ADVENT CONCERT:** *Singing the Season*. Join the Chalice Choir for a concert of seasonal music, featuring Bach's Cantata BWV 140 *Wachet Auf* and a singalong of Christmas favourites. Childcare provided. Reception to follow. Sunday, Dec. 4 at 7:30 pm, Sanctuary. Please remember that this is the choir's main fundraiser of the year and supports the choir's participation in our Sunday services. Invite your friends! Tickets: \$20 (Low income – pay what you can.) Available from any choir member or at the door. Note: tickets will be on sale TODAY after church in Hewett Centre.

**JOIN US IN MAKING WREATHS AND SWAGS** that will decorate the Sanctuary over the festive season.

When: Saturday December 17, 2016, 9:30—11:30 am.

Where: Lindsey-Priestley Room, Hewett Centre.

What: Bring garden gloves and clippers, if you have them. Greenery and decorations provided but please feel free to contribute your own. Coffee/tea and snacks provided.

Further information contact Dianne Crosbie, [dcrosbie@uniserve.com](mailto:dcrosbie@uniserve.com)

**OUR RE PROGRAM IS LOOKING FOR THE FOLLOWING DONATIONS FOR OUR CHILDCARE ROOM AND PRESCHOOL CLASS:** infant bouncy seat; infant play mat; dramatic play props; ethnically diverse dolls (clothed). Please see Kiersten Moore before or after the service.

**LAST FRIDAY CAFÉ:** Nov. 25, Fireside Room

5–7 pm: *Fast Food for Thought*. Bring Your Own Device (BYOD) appetite, ideas, challenges and/or recent readings.

7—9 pm Feature: *Wellness and Oneness: Using Self Compassion Healing Meditation with the foundation of Science, Wisdom and Human Values*. Presentation by Dr. Suman Kollipara.

[RandallMacKinnon@yahoo.ca](mailto:RandallMacKinnon@yahoo.ca)

**THEATRE FOR LIVING PRACTICE - INTERACTIVE WORKSHOP TO PROCESS WORLD EVENTS**  
Sat., Nov. 26, 10 am–1 pm in Hirschmanova.

When big things happen, we need places to process them. This special extra practice will be to help us process our struggles with recent world events. We practice techniques in interactive, improvisational theatre. Wear comfortable clothes. RSVP please to Meg Roberts, 778-870-9015 or [mroberts@uuma.org](mailto:mroberts@uuma.org).



## **CELEBRATE ADVENT WITH U FRIENDS!**

November Moveable Feast information: **WHEN:** Saturday Nov. 26, 2016 at 6:00 pm.

**WHERE:** El Santo 680 Columbia St., New Westminster. Just a couple of blocks from the EXPO line skytrain stations (New Westminster Stn or Columbia Stn). Latin American cuisine. RSVP to Karen Bartlett: [karen.bartlett@ubc.ca](mailto:karen.bartlett@ubc.ca).

**GREEN FUND HOLIDAY CRAFT FAIR – DEC. 4 AND DEC. 11:** Come support the Green Fund by shopping at our 2016 Holiday Craft Fair. Artisans are mostly from our own congregation and others were vendors at the Oak Street Farmers' Market (OSFM). Discover pottery, jewellery, hand knit sweaters and scarves, hand-painted silk scarves, wicca items, photos, lots of great cards, and some surprises. Visit us before and after services on Dec. 4 and 11 or before and after the choir concert on Dec. 4. 10% of proceeds go to Environment Committee Green Fund which supports greening the church – installing solar panels at UCV is our latest project.

**MECHANICAL SKILLS REQUIRED** to figure out why the UCV ping-pong table doesn't fold down and fold up as it should. If you may be able to help, please contact Hunter at the church office. Many thanks. [hunter@vancouverunitarians.ca](mailto:hunter@vancouverunitarians.ca)

**ARE: CHRONIC PAIN SUPPORT GROUP:** If you live with chronic pain day in day out, and would find it helpful to talk with others who live with the same, as well as explore options for more pain-free days or help with government forms or red tape, join us Thursdays at 10:30 am in the Fireside Room. –Sharon, [skdalgleish@gmail.com](mailto:skdalgleish@gmail.com)

### ***UCV CARE AND CONCERN ANNOUNCEMENT***

*A new way to reach out in time of need:*

*“If you or others in the congregation are in need of support in times of transition, loss, illness, moving, etc.,*

*please contact: [careandconcern@vancouverunitarians.ca](mailto:careandconcern@vancouverunitarians.ca)”*

*sincerely, Rev. Steven Epperson*

## ***A Warm Welcome!***

Please visit our Visitors' Table and get a nametag in the Sanctuary foyer. Drop by the Welcome Table in Hewett Centre after the service and stay for coffee or tea and friendly conversation. Learn about our church and our community. Look for people wearing yellow nametags, who are welcoming you today.

If you are a new family visiting with children or babies, we look forward to welcoming you in person. Free childcare is available for children 3 and under, and children 4 and over are invited to join in this week's program activities. Children are also welcome to stay for the church service if they prefer. If you feel that you need to slip out of the service with a crying baby, please feel free to rejoin the service at any time. The service can also be heard in the foyer and in Hewett Centre.

### **SUPPORT TEAM TODAY**

<b>COFFEE SET UP AND SERVERS</b>	Avril Schafer, Liz Monrad, Eric Chen
<b>FLOWERS</b>	Diane Donaldson
<b>LIBRARY AND LITERATURE STALL</b>	Frances Anderson, Laura Gerken, David Buchanan
<b>LUNCH</b>	Love Soup
<b>ORDER OF SERVICE</b>	Hunter MacNiven
<b>SOUND</b>	Kaelyn Elfert
<b>GREETERS</b>	Jane Sutherland, Shirley McLeod, Carolyn Grant, Denise Nereida
<b>WELCOME AND INFORMATION TABLE</b>	Nancy Barker, Audrey Cook

### **STAFF**

<b>PARISH MINISTER</b>	Rev. Steven Epperson
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<b>OFFICE ASSISTANT</b>	Marcus Hynes
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<b>SUNDAY RECEPTIONISTS</b>	Virginia Crabill, Robert Schultz
<b>UCV LAY CHAPLAINS</b>	Nan Gregory, Sherry King, Louise Bunn

*The red pulpit hanging is a gift from our partner church in Brassó, Romania.*

### **The Unitarian Church of Vancouver**

*We are a community of diverse beliefs and shared values.*

*In fellowship with one another, we seek spiritual growth, social justice, and environmental sustainability through worship, ethical action, education, and artistic expression. We welcome all who would join this compassionate and visionary community*

The UCV campus is a Smoke-Free Environment