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Blessing the Space Between

Louise Bunn, Nan Gregory, Katherine Roback

– March 05, 2017 –

UNITARIAN CHURCH OF VANCOUVER

Celebration of Worship

March 05, 2017

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.



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



Prelude

Chanson de Matin E. Elgar

Ave Verum Mozart

Air Bach

Lakme Delibes

Gymnopedie no. 1 Satie

What A Wonderful World Bob Thiele & George David Weiss
performed by Trio Absinthe*

Welcome/Greeting Our Neighbours

Geoff Gomery

Opening Words

Louise Bunn

Kindling the Chalice Flame

Nan and Rose

Opening Hymn #354

We Laugh, We Cry

Story for all Ages

Worm Love Worm
read by Nan Gregory

Let's sing the children out "Go now..."

Welcome and Announcements

Doug Ennenberg

Reading from the Book of Celebrations and Concerns

Doug Ennenberg

Offering: *We deeply appreciate
your presence here, your offerings
and the gifts you share.*

Jesu Joy of Man's Desiring Bach
performed by Trio Absinthe

Homily 1

The Space Between
Katherine Roback

Meditation, spoken then silent

Katherine Roback

Musical Response

Pavane Faure
performed by Trio Absinthe

Homily 2

Ch-ch-ch-changes
Louise Bunn

Homily 3

Looking Back, Looking Forward
Nan Gregory

Closing Hymn #1064

Blue Boat Home

Closing Words/Extinguishing the Chalice Flame

Louise Bunn

Valediction

*Carry the flame of peace and love, until we meet again.
Carry the flame of peace and love, until we meet again.*

* Born of the fortuitous encounter of a violin, a viola and a contrabass, the Absinthe Ensemble was formed in 2003. Today, it features Edgar Bridwell on the violin, Isabelle Roland on the viola, and Anne Duranceau on the contrabass. Unlike the traditional string trio, the Absinthe Ensemble uses a contrabass instead of the cello to play the lowest voice. We are pleased to welcome them here today. –Elliot

www.ensembleabsinthe.com

Next Sunday Service: March 12, 2017, 11 am

The Question of Power in History: Great Men or Small Groups

Rev. Steven Epperson

Chalice Choir sings

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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ucvevents@gmail.com Please include your name.

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CHILDREN'S PROGRAM: We are committed to providing safe, compassionate, age-appropriate programming for all children and youth who attend or visit UCV. Our goal is to find the Fun with Meaning! Sunday morning classes and childcare are provided free of charge as part of the mission of this congregation. Everyone attends the start of service together through the chalice lighting, opening hymn, and story for all ages.

After the story children ages 3-12 proceed to the lower level of Hewett Centre for their classes: Chalice Children (age 3-6);
Origins & Journeys (ages 7-9)
Sing to the Power (ages 10-12).

Childcare is available for children, up to age three, between 10:45 am and 12:30 pm in Servetus Room on the main floor of Hewett Centre opposite the library.

Children and babies are welcome to remain with their parents/guardians through the service if they prefer.

Please meet your child downstairs after the service: children under age 9 will remain in class until met by a responsible family member.

YOUTH GROUP: Our High School Youth Group (grades 8-12) meets from 1—3 pm each Sunday in Hitschmanova on the lower level of Hewett Centre. Our Youth Group is led collaboratively by the youth and trained advisors. They explore issues of faith development, social justice, life experiences, trials, tribulations and joys of navigating life—and they always include a good measure of fun and games. All youth members and visitors are welcome.

MEDITATION: Join us for the Sunday morning sitting meditation at 10—10:45 am. There is brief guidance at the beginning of each sit. In consideration of others, please try to come on time. Any inquiries can be sent to victoriaoginski@gmail.com.

ART IN THE CHURCH: March 2—April 3, *Retrospectives In Wood, Inner Beauty Of Wood Exposed* by John Voth. Artist talk is March 5, 12:15—12:30 pm in the Fireside room and 12:30—12:45 pm in the Sanctuary. Walkabout and questions answered.

FORUM, FIRESIDE, 12:45 – 1:45 PM:

OWL AGE-APPROPRIATE SEXUALITY EDUCATION FOR AGES 5-7! Parent meeting for information is today, 1-2:30 pm in Biddle. A wonderful opportunity to gain comfort talking about bodies, babies, families, birth and conception with your child--regardless of whether you enroll your child in the spring program or not! Parents are the child's first and primary sexuality educator. We teach as much by how we answer questions and what we don't say--just as much as by the information we share! Come learn how to be an Askable Parent.

COMPUTUTOR: Sunday, March 5, 12—2 pm. Biddle. Drop in with questions, suggestions and perhaps a smart phone and/or laptop. John Omielan (resource in residence) and Randall MacKinnon, RandallMacKinnon@yahoo.ca.

*“We always welcome feedback on our worship services:
worship@vancouverunitarians.ca, Sincerely, UCV Worship Services Committee”*

ANNOUNCEMENTS

HOW WE'RE CHANGING THE WORLD!

The Environment Committee started garden composting at UCV over 20 years ago.

COFFEE SERVERS: Hi everyone, We are looking for coffee service volunteers for before and after the service. If you're new to UCV, it's a great way to meet everyone and make yourself at home! Please call Adel @ 604-603-8593.

JOIN UNITARIANS FOR AN EASTER SUNDAY DINNER at the church. April 16, 5:30—7 pm. Volunteers to help set up and clean up appreciated. Contact ucvhygge@gmail.com. Details and RSVP: <https://easter-hygge.eventbrite.ca>

THE UCV THIRD SUNDAY BOOK GROUP meets Sunday, March 19 at 12:30 pm in the Lindsey-Priestley Room, Hewett Centre to discuss *The Heaviness of Things that Float*, by Jennifer Manuel. This novel depicts the world of Bernadette, a nurse who has lived on the periphery of a remote coastal reserve for 40 years, and is described as "a fascinating study of being an outsider in a First Nations community" by Shaena Lambert. Everyone welcome.

HYGGE (CIRCLE DINNERS):

Hygge (circle) potluck dinner hosted by Muriel Groves and Jack Cridland.

March 18, 6pm RSVP <https://www.eventbrite.ca/e/march-hygge> or to ucvhygge@gmail.com
Bring a dish for 8-10 people. (Hosts provide venue; guests bring food.)

NEW MEMBERS BREAKFAST: Prior to the service March 19, there will be a breakfast at 9:30 am in the Fireside room for those who are interested in becoming members of UCV. This is for anyone who has attended “New U in a Day”. Various committee chairs will be present to provide information on the many activities going on in the church. For those who are ready to sign the membership book, Rev. Steven Epperson will witness your signature. For additional information, contact Dianne Crosbie at dcrosbie@uniserve.com or contact the church office at 604 261-7204.



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MARCH MOVABLE FEAST WILL BE:

Saturday, March 25 at 6:00 pm.

Athene's Greek Restaurant,
3618 West Broadway, Vancouver
(near Alma).

RSVP: Karen Bartlett or

Dianne Crosbie, Karen.bartlett@ubc.ca
or dcrosbie@uniserve.com

EASTER CHOCOLATE: Buy Purdy's chocolate at regular prices and 25% will go to UCV to support the labyrinth fund. Contact Mary Bennett for catalogue. or go here to order online: <https://www.purdysgpp.com/join/35958> The chocolate will be delivered to UCV and I'll have it available for pick up either Sunday April 2 or 9. Contact maryinvancouver@gmail.com with any questions you may have.

UPCOMING BOOK BASH! Join us on March 19 from 9 am to 1 pm for the Book Bash in Hewett Hall. Books \$1, \$2, \$3.

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”

sincerely, Rev. Steven Epperson

OUTSIDE ANNOUNCEMENTS

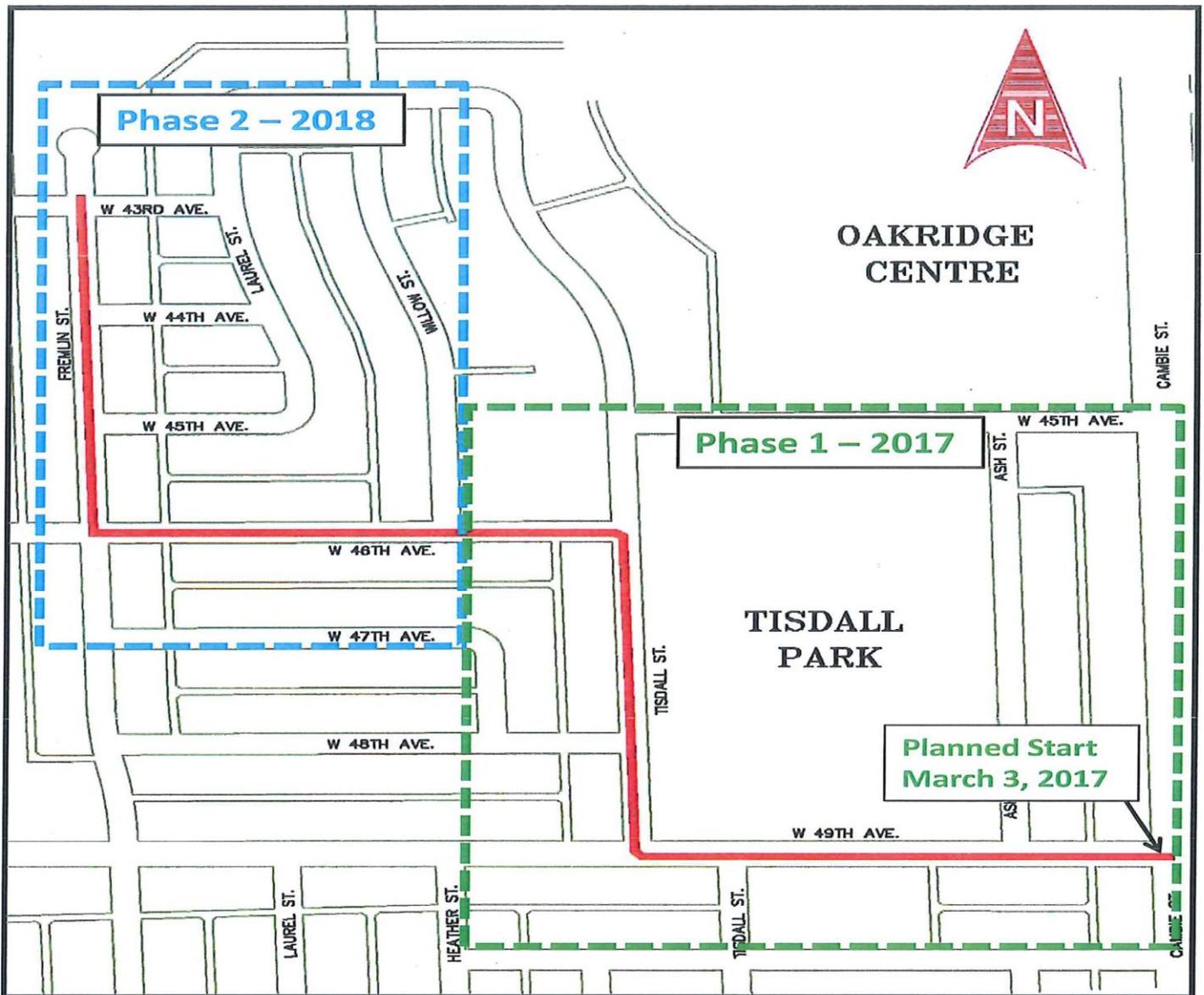
UNITARIAN FAMILY CAMP AT LAKE SASAMAT, JUNE 2–4:

Set in the natural splendor of Port Moody's Belcarra Regional Park, the camp offers swimming, boating, hiking, climbing, children and youth programs, a choral workshop for youth/adults, campfires and other fun communal events. Heated cabins with electricity. Meals provided. Note: Children love this camp but you do not need to bring children in order to attend Family Camp! To see a fun video created by Ross & Gaby Harvey of our 2016 camp, go to Youtube and search for “Camp Sasamat hosted by Beacon Unitarian”.

For more information visit: <http://beaconunitarian.org/index.php/camp/>.

Please note that City construction will be happening in the area that may affect your travel to UCV.

OAKRIDGE TRUNK CONSTRUCTION MAP



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

COFFEE SET UP AND SERVERS

Adele Cleverdon, Catherine Stewart

FLOWERS

Chris Pearce

LIBRARY AND LITERATURE STALL

Jean Stanton, Randall MacKinnon

LUNCH

Everybody's Birthday (CRE)

ORDER OF SERVICE

Hunter MacNiven

SOUND

Rob Taylor

GREETERS

Ursula Litzcke, Denise Nereida, Melody Mason, Gerda Schulz

WELCOME AND INFORMATION TABLE

Doug Ennenberg, Dianne Crosbie

STAFF

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Collene Harris

SUNDAY RECEPTIONISTS

Virginia Crabill, Robert Schultz

UCV LAY CHAPLAINS

Nan Gregory, Louise Bunn

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