



## *Coming of Age*

UCV Coming of Age Youth

June 17, 2018

# UNITARIAN CHURCH OF VANCOUVER



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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## ***Warm Welcome!***

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

## ***The Presence of Children is a Gift to the Church. Welcome!***

If you are a new family visiting with children or babies please fill out a Children's Program visitor card at the Welcome Table so Kiersten Moore, our Director of Religious Exploration, can be in touch with you about our children, youth, and family programs.

Most Sundays, everyone begins the morning together in the Sanctuary for the first 10-15 minutes. We provide multi-age programming and special workshops for children ages 2-12 from 11:15 am – 12:15 pm. Community building, exploring traditions and values, questioning, and wondering are our goals. Babies and young toddlers may join us or stay with you in the Sanctuary.

**Buddy Bags** with a small stuffie, themed colouring book, and crayons are available in the foyer for use during the service. Please return them to the basket at the end; you may keep the colouring book. There is also a playroom for family use across from the kitchen in Hewett Centre.

<p>The seats in the rear of the church are <b><i>reserved</i></b>: (when facing the front) left side for those needing to slip in and out of the service, and right side for persons in wheelchairs &amp; strollers.</p>
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*The UCV Campus is a non-smoking environment.*

## **TODAY AT UCV**

We gather together today for whole congregation worship. Today, both children and adults participate in explorations, programs, and small groups at 9:30 am and then attend worship together at 11:00.

Worshipping together is a learning experience for everyone. To parents and responsible adults, we offer some tips to help you and your children be at ease:

- Mother Nature put the wiggle in children; don't feel you have to suppress it in our church.

- Sit towards the front where your child can see what is going on; backs of heads are boring! Help your child by being a role model.
- Gently and quietly remind them what we do in worship and explain what is going on.
- Answer your child's questions with a quiet whisper—they often whisper back.
- Encourage your child to work with their 'Buddy Bag' to help them concentrate on worship.
- If you have to leave the service with your child, please feel free to come back. We believe children belong in sacred spaces.
- The service can also be heard in the foyer and in Hewett Hall where a playroom is open for your use.

Nursing parents are welcome in any part of our building, if you wish for more privacy there is a comfy chair and a rocking chair in the Hewett Hall playroom.

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*After the Service* children age 9 and older will be released to join their family in the main Hall when their class is over. **Children age 8 and younger** must be met at their classroom door and signed out by a responsible adult.

## EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL MEETING

TODAY! The EGM of the Unitarian Church of Vancouver is today starting at 12:30 pm. Copies of the agenda and budget are available in Hewett Hall at the sign-in table. Forms to assign proxy votes are also at the sign-in table. Our church is governed by all of us, the members of UCV.

**MEDITATION:** Join us for the Sunday morning sitting meditation at 10 – 10:45 am in the Family Room. There is brief guidance at the beginning of each sit. Inquiries: [victoriaoginski@gmail.com](mailto:victoriaoginski@gmail.com)

**LOVE SOUP!** The final Love Soup! of the fourth season is today, June 17. We will serve lunch before the EGM and clean up after the meeting, so please help us with dish washing and tidying the kitchen if you can. Many helping hands make light work! We so appreciate your ongoing support.

**PRECISION DIAMON-HONED SHARPENING:** Mr. Sharp will be available to sharpen all knives, scissors, garden tools, etc. in the Hewett Hall from 12:30 – 4 pm.

**HERBAL TEA TASTING AND PLANT SWAP:** 2:30 – 4 pm. Sandy has a variety of herbs ready to swap. We can also point you to herbs that can be snipped whenever you want. Pick calendula flowers (orange ones) any time—they just keep coming back!

**SUMMER SOLSTICE RITUAL:** 3 – 4 pm. Ask Mary anything you like about labyrinths. Learn to draw a labyrinth! Thanks to Vancouver Foundation and South Vancouver Neighbourhood House for support for this project. More information: [www.vancouverunitarians.ca/labyrinth](http://www.vancouverunitarians.ca/labyrinth) Email: [unitarianlabyrinth@gmail.com](mailto:unitarianlabyrinth@gmail.com)

# Celebration of Worship: June 17, 2018

<b>Prelude</b>	Noella's choice: <i>Havana</i> Liam's choice: <i>In my Blood</i> Dylan's choice: <i>Hymn</i> Juliet's choice: <i>Moonlight</i> Kyla's choice: <i>Ohlos Negros</i>	Camila Cabello* Shawn Mendes Moby Grace VanderWaal Sambalanco Trio
<b>Kindling the Chalice Flame</b>		The Coming of Agers
<b>Opening Hymn #361</b>		<i>Enter, Rejoice, and Come In</i>
<b>Greeting Our Neighbours</b>		Juliet Shenher & Noella Prescod
<b>Welcome and Announcements</b>		Léonie Armstrong
<b>Reading from the Book of Celebrations and Concerns</b>		Léonie Armstrong
<b>Offering:</b> <i>We deeply appreciate your presence here, your offerings and the gifts you share.</i>	<i>God Moving Over the Face of the Waters</i>	Moby
<b>Musical Meditation – Hymn #1003</b>		<i>Where Do we Come From?</i> Lead by Gavin Grandish
<b>Our Favourite Things</b>		The Coming of Agers
<b>Credos</b>		Noella Prescod, Liam Bomford-Moore, Kyla Killingsworth**, Dylan Hahn, & Juliet Shehner
<b>Hymn #1064</b>		<i>Blue Boat Home</i>
<b>Bridging Ceremony</b>		Rev. Steven Epperson & Kiersten Moore
<i>Please refer to the insert in your order of service for the music and litany for the Bridging Ceremony. All youth entering grade 8 or 9 are invited to join us on the stage.</i>		
<b>Closing Hymn #131</b>		<i>Love Will Guide Us</i>
<b>Extinguishing the Chalice Flame</b>		Rev. Steven Epperson & Kiersten Moore
<b>Valediction</b>	<i>Carry the flame of peace and love, until we meet again (x2).</i>	

\* All the music in this service (including the hymns) was chosen by the Coming of Agers. For the Prelude, they each chose a favourite song!

\*\* Kyla's Credo:

*Once someone in my dream told me  
"You can be whoever you want to be  
Whether a bird in the sky or a fish in the sea  
In this nation, you are free."  
So I took those words with me  
And I took a long walk by the quay  
I looked at my reflection in the water and said  
"Is it true that humans aren't dead?  
How long have we wandered to find the way  
When, in reality, we kept the secret at bay?  
Maybe, all along, we were supposed to be us?  
Then why is religion such a big fuss?"  
Then, the answer came to me.  
"Ourselves, that's what we're supposed to be.  
Listen to your thoughts and feelings, emotions too  
Because that's the best thing you could ever do."  
So, with a hopeful grin on my face  
I packed my thoughts and went to another place.*

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**Next Sunday Service: June 24, 2018**

***Democracy***

Rev. Steven Epperson

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## **UPCOMING UCV COMMUNITY EVENTS**

**PICK UP THE JUNE UCV EVENTS BULLETIN TODAY!**

**THE UCV COMPASSION CIRCLE** is now inviting new members: Come to the next meeting on Sunday, June 17 from approximately 2:15 – 3:15 pm, following the EGM. Email Lynn Armstrong ([lynnbea@gmail.com](mailto:lynnbea@gmail.com)) or Mairy Beam ([mairyelesbea@gmail.com](mailto:mairyelesbea@gmail.com)) to RSVP or for more info. At that meeting you'll hear more about the Circle, and learn about the upcoming year-long Compassion Course Online ([www.compassioncourse.org/](http://www.compassioncourse.org/)), which complements the practice in the Circle.

**KIDS TAKEOVER FORUM:** Come to the 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday Arts & Culture Forum on June 24 to share your ideas, hopes and fears about what will happen when the kids take over! Comments and questions: [kidstakeoverucv@gmail.com](mailto:kidstakeoverucv@gmail.com). There will be Pharoah Frog, ATCs, Bumblebees and Butterflies and ice cream at the end. 12:30 – 1:30 pm.

**MOVEABLE FEAST FOR JUNE:** Dinner will be overlooking beautiful False Creek from Mahony and Sons, 601 Stamps Landing, <https://mahonyandsons.com>, June 30<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 pm. To reserve a place at the table email [dcrosbie@uniserve.com](mailto:dcrosbie@uniserve.com)

**EARTH SPIRIT COUNCIL:** Previously the Paganism Committee, Mairy (chair), Mary, Louise and Huguette are now planning regular earth spirituality rituals (1<sup>st</sup> Tuesdays 6-7pm) and plan to offer the Paganism 101 course starting in the fall. We send out a monthly e-newsletter which you can view and subscribe to at [vancouverunitarians.ca/earth-spirit](http://vancouverunitarians.ca/earth-spirit). The newsletter provides information about seasonal rituals, circle dance and labyrinth gatherings. If you're interested in taking the 10-session Paganism 101 course, please send a note to [earthspiritucv@gmail.com](mailto:earthspiritucv@gmail.com). We will contact people in August to find a date that works for those who have expressed interest.

**SEPTEMBER POT LUCK LUNCH:** If you've become a UCV member within the past 5 years, you're invited to a POT LUCK LUNCH, to meet other recent members, on Saturday, September 8th, noon – 3:00 pm, in the Fireside Room (Hewett Centre). Please contact Vivian Davidson at [vdavidsonc@gmail.com](mailto:vdavidsonc@gmail.com) to register & let her know what food you'll bring. Sponsored by the Connect & Engage Team - Vivian, Cathy, Sheila

## **UCV COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**PLEASE NOTE THAT DUE TO A BC HYDRO PLANNED POWER OUTAGE, THE OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED ON THURSDAY, JUNE 28.**

**OFFICE VOLUNTEERS NEEDED:** Office staff are looking for volunteers to provide a presence at the reception desk on Sundays from 10 am - 1 pm. Responsibilities include monitoring the office doors and greeting visitors, assisting people with the photocopier, answering basic administrative questions, and passing inquiries for which they don't have an answer on to the office staff. Training will be provided. If interested, please call Aurora at 604-261-7204, extension 224, or email [ca@vancouverunitarians.ca](mailto:ca@vancouverunitarians.ca).

**CO-EDITOR FOR UCV EVENTS NEEDED:** After three and a half years, Mary Bennett has stepped down as co-editor of UCV Events. Margo Elfert will continue. We use MS Publisher. Please contact Margo if you'd like to know more: [ucvevents@gmail.com](mailto:ucvevents@gmail.com).

**COVENANT GROUPS:** Two groups (2<sup>nd</sup> Thursday and 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday) are accepting new members. Contact [ucvconnect@gmail.com](mailto:ucvconnect@gmail.com) to be put in touch (or check event listings on web.)

**NEIGHBOURHOOD GROUPS:** More at: <http://vancouverunitarians.ca/neighbourhood-groups/>. Contact [ucvconnect@gmail.com](mailto:ucvconnect@gmail.com) to be added to your neighbourhood's email list.

**UCV WILDERNESS CAMP:** Are you searching for a restorative week surrounded by natural beauty? Fry Creek is the place for you! This magical camp, founded by Phillip Hewett and others 53 years ago, is on the east shore of Kootenay Lake. Come discover the calm harmony that's hard to find in the busy city - no cell phone service and no internet! If you feel like socializing, there are Unitarians from Vancouver, Rossland, Calgary, Nelson, Seattle and other places in the Pacific Northwest. If you feel like solitude, there's lots and lots of room to explore on land or on water, and beautiful places to quietly sit, read, draw, listen and look. The camp is open during July and August. Everything you need to know can be found here: <https://kootenaywildernesscamping.org/>. For additional information, contact [dcrosbie@uniserve.com](mailto:dcrosbie@uniserve.com)

**OUTREACH OPPORTUNITIES FUND:** The Outreach Opportunities Fund will be collecting for the Orphaned Wildlife Rehabilitation Society (OWL) from June to September. OWL is a non-profit organization whose staff and volunteers are dedicated to public education and the rehabilitation and release of injured and orphaned raptors.

**ONLINE ROOM BOOKINGS:** Committee heads and congregants are encouraged to try requesting room bookings using our new online bookings form, found at <https://ucv.mid.as/webrequest.pl>. If you have questions or run in to any problems, please contact Marcus at 604-261-7204 or [marcus@vancouverunitarians.ca](mailto:marcus@vancouverunitarians.ca).



**Provided by South Fraser Unitarian Congregation**

## **OUTSIDE EVENTS & ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**CREATIVE ARTS ELIOT CAMP 2018** for UUs and their Friends and Families. *Creative Arts Eliot* takes place in Seabeck, WA, August 11-15, 2018, and offers UUs and friends a multi-generational camp experience with workshops in Photography, Poetry, Painting, Songwriting and more. Campers choose one or two workshops to focus on and spend the rest of their time enjoying the waterfront, campfires, singing, UU community, games, evening programs and entertainment, including an Extravaganza on the last day to showcase everyone's creativity. For more info, contact [Eliotregistrar@gmail.com](mailto:Eliotregistrar@gmail.com) or visit our website at [www.eliotinstitute.org](http://www.eliotinstitute.org).

**FARMERS ON 57<sup>TH</sup> CSA HARVEST BOX PROGRAM:** Eat fresh urban farm & organically grown veg for \$30/week, June-October. Flowers available too. More details at [www.farmerson57th.ca](http://www.farmerson57th.ca).

## **THANK YOU TO THE SUPPORT TEAM TODAY:**

**COFFEE SET UP AND SERVERS**

**LUNCH**

**FLOWERS**

**LIBRARY AND LITERATURE STALL**

**SOUND**

**GREETERS**

**WELCOME AND INFORMATION TABLE**

**CARETAKER(S)**

Eric Chen

Love Soup!

Diane Donaldson

Frances Anderson, David Buchanan

Kaelyn Elfert

Jane Sutherland, Shirley McLeod, Carolyn Grant, Denise Nereida

Eleanore Dunn, Nancy Strider

Edgar Silveira, Eric Sun

*The red pulpit hanging in the Sanctuary is a gift from our partner church in Brasso, Romania*

*The wall hanging above the stage was created by Donna Hamilton for the UUA General Assembly in 1995.*



## **Our Vision**

*Because we envision a more compassionate world, we seek to deepen our spiritual and religious lives, grow and enrich our congregation, and advocate for love and justice.*

## **Living Our Vision**

*As Unitarians, we are dedicated to spiritual growth, social justice, and reverence for nature and all life. We embody these values through worship, ethical action, artistic expression, and religious education for all ages that aim to connect hearts, heads, and hands. Our congregation welcomes all ages, orientations, abilities, and identities in our joyous search for meaning.*

## **MINISTER AND STAFF**

**PARISH MINISTER**

Rev. Steven Epperson

**COMMUNITY MINISTER**

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