



Ferenc David at Torda, 1532

Toleration and Tolerance

Written by the late Rev. Phillip Hewett
Presented by the Partner Church Committee

March 11, 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.

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



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 11:15-12:15. 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 <i>reserved</i>: (when facing the front) left side for those needing to slip in and out of the service, and right side for persons in wheelchairs & strollers.</p>
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The UCV Campus is a non-smoking environment.

TODAY AT UCV

After the Story we sing our children off to their Explorations in Hewett Centre:

- **Spirit Play meets downstairs in the Channing Room** (south end) until 12:15. **All visitors and children ages 0-12** are welcome to join this multi-age program centered around community, ritual, and story. Explorations are centered around the Seven Principles and Sources of Unitarian Universalism. Each Sunday starts with a story and moves into art, building, action, and garden activities.
- **Our Whole Lives** sexuality education for ages 9 & 10 meets today downstairs in the Parker Room (downstairs-center) until 12:30pm. These workshops meet twice a month and are restricted to

registered participants.

- **Coming of Age** meets in Hirschmanova until 12:30. This is a year-long mentorship and spirituality exploration program for children ages 11-14 and is restricted to registered participants.
- **Children and babies** are always welcome to remain with their family or responsible adult throughout the service if they prefer. The service can also be heard in the foyer and in Hewett Hall where a playroom is open for family use.

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

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.

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

FORUM: 12:30 pm, Fireside Room. *The National Housing Strategy: Will It Solve the Crisis?* The federal Liberal government describes its National Housing Strategy as a 10-year, \$40-billion plan that “will strengthen the middle class, fuel our economy and give more Canadians across the country a place to call home.” However, critics point to growing homelessness and increasingly unaffordability and charge that the plan is seriously deficient in addressing the housing crisis. Leslie Kemp, Chair, Social Justice, will present.

LUNCH TODAY: A delicious lunch served today by the UCV Refugee Committee. Lunch proceeds help us sponsor refugee families who want to come to Canada and to assist refugee families who have settled here.

NEW SERMON DISCUSSIONS: Inviting newcomers and regulars to share your thoughts, feelings and questions about today’s service. Grab a coffee or lunch and join us for an informal discussion at 12:15 – 1 pm in the Priestley room. *Sheila* (R), Connect & Engage Committee.

THE UCV BOOK CLUB will meet today at 12:30 pm in Biddle to discuss *Never Let Me Go*, by Kazuo Ishiguro. Everyone is welcome.

ART EXHIBITION: *Elemental Journeys*, Joanne Brown, printmaker, will show her Four Elements series. Jackie Conradi-Robertson’s acrylic paintings are inspired by nature scenes either here at home or in her travels. Mary Bennett’s mixed-media pieces explore materiality through colour, texture, and layers.

SAVE OUR SALMON (SOS): Visit our table in Hewett Hall to write your MLA to NOT renew the open net fish farm leases that come due this June. These fish farms do serious harm to our wild salmon. Information, templates, and all supplies provided.

COMPUTUTOR: Today! Lindsey Room. Bring your curiosity, questions and computer/social media challenges. RandallMacKinnon@yahoo.ca

Celebration of Worship: March 11, 2018

Prelude	<i>Romanian Dances</i> <i>Hungarian Rhapsody #2</i>	Bela Bartok Frans Liszt With Richard Tyce* & E. Dainow
Opening Words/Greeting Our Neighbours		Geoff Gomery
Kindling the Chalice Flame		Alison Pearson
Opening Hymn #123		<i>Spirit of Life</i> Led by Gavin Grandish & Eva Perjes
Story for All Ages		Gavin Grandish
Welcome and Announcements		Huguette Hayden
Reading from the Book of Celebrations and Concerns		Huguette Hayden
Offering: <i>We deeply appreciate your presence here, your offerings and the gifts you share.</i>	<i>Romanian Waltzes</i>	J. Ivanovici With Richard Tyce & E. Dainow
Receiving the Offering		Geoff Gomery
Introduction to meditation – Spoken & Silent		John Smith
Musical Response	<i>Dein Ist Mein Ganzes Herz</i>	Ferenc Lehár R. Tyce & E. Dainow
Homily		Toleration and Tolerance Written by the late Rev. Phillip Hewett Read by Gavin Grandish
Closing Hymn #322		<i>Thanks be for Thee</i>
Closing Words		Mary Lage
Extinguishing the Chalice Flame		
Valediction	<i>Carry the flame of peace and love, until we meet again. (x2)</i>	

** Richard is no stranger here where he often sang with Harold Brown, my predecessor. It is a pleasure as always to play with him again. – Elliott*

Next Sunday Service: March 18, 2018

When Religion Runs Off the Rails

Rev. Steven Epperson

UPCOMING UCV COMMUNITY EVENTS

For those of you who have not heard the sad news, the beloved Minister Emeritus of the Unitarian Church of Vancouver, Rev. Dr. Phillip Hewett, died Saturday, February 24, 2018. A memorial service celebrating his life will be held in the UCV Sanctuary Friday, March 23rd, beginning at 1:30 pm. A reception will follow. - Rev. Steven Epperson

METRO VANCOUVER UNITARIAN GATHERING: Saturday, April 7, 9 am to 9 pm at UCV. Doors at 8:30 am. If you need help with online registration, come to our information table in the Sanctuary Foyer after the service today. Our 4 local congregations strengthening inter-generational solidarity, networking on social action and singing with Unitarian singer/songwriter, Tony Turner. See website for full details. Registration is completely online this year at: <http://cuc.ca/metro-vancouver-unitarian-gathering>. (Help with registration will be available in the foyer of Sanctuary after the service on March 4). Volunteers are needed for greeting, serving meals and cleaning up. Please phone Jeannie Corsi at 604-224-1040 if you are able to help in any way.

GLAD – GATHERING FOR LABYRINTH ART & DANCE: Thursday, March 15, 11 am – 1 pm. With a theme of Equality, we'll celebrate the Spring Equinox and International Women's Day. Facilitated by Mary Bennett and Darlene Rainbow. circledanceucv@gmail.com

CONTEMPLATIVE COLLAGE: Thursday, March 15, 2 – 4 pm. A new offering. Come and enjoy a quiet, relaxing afternoon together. A meditative time to choose images and put them together creatively. Scissors, glue and images provided. Inspired by the Unitarian Church of Montreal. Please RSVP to Mary sharingucv@gmail.com

BE A PART OF UCV'S VANCOUVER RAIN WALK TEAM: Register online to participate in Inspire Health's Rain 5k Walk fundraiser Saturday, March 24th, 9 am to noon, taking place at Olympic Village – family-friendly – all fitness levels. Join Caede Pungente - show your support for our UCV community.

HYGGE DINNERS: are small groups meeting in members' homes for a potluck dinner (guests bring all the food—hosts provide a welcoming atmosphere.) Sat. March 17 6pm– Point Grey (Jeannie Corsi & Caede Pungente) or False Creek (Joan Dublanko); Fri. March 16 6:30pm– New West (Cheryl Amundsen & Rob Dainow) RSVP essential. If you need contact info and address send a note to ucvconnect@gmail.com for details.

MOVABLE FEAST: Saturday, March 31. The March Movable feast will be at Heirloom Vegetarian Restaurant, 1509 West 12th at Granville, heirloomrestaurant.ca. We meet at 6:00 pm. Wheelchair accessible at separate entrance. RSVP To Dianne Crosbie, dcrosbie@uniserve.com

PASSOVER SEDER/DINNER: Save the Date! Friday, April 6, 5:30 – 7:30 pm. Contact: Sheila sresels@telus.net

NEW TO UCV WORKSHOP: Everything you wanted to know about Unitarianism and UCV but were afraid to ask. Join us for this one-day workshop, **Saturday, April 14, 9:15 am – 2:30 pm, Fireside Room**. Coffee and muffins, 9:00 am, lunch provided. Attendance encouraged prior to becoming a UCV member. Interested current members also welcome. Registration forms available at the Welcome Table or church office, babysitting requests 2 weeks in advance. Questions, contact Dianne Crosbie at dcrosbie@uniserve.com or the church office 604-261-7204.

DESIGNING AND LEADING RITES OF PASSAGE: Basic Training, April 27 – 29. CUC is offering at UCV a basic training weekend for new Lay Chaplains and anyone interested:

<http://cuc.ca/event/designing-leading-rites-passage-basic-training-lay-chaplains-3>

for more information, please contact Naomi Taylor: naomitaylor7@gmail.com

or Katherine Roback: katherinekrobback@gmail.com

NEIGHBOURHOOD GROUPS: Next up, South Vancouver is beginning to plan for their first gathering. Send an email to ucvconnect@gmail.com to be added to your neighbourhood email group. More at: <http://vancouverunitarians.ca/neighbourhood-groups/>

UCV COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

CANVASS 2018 – NOURISHING COMPASSION TOGETHER: Yes, we're getting ready for our annual pledge drive! Many tasks - large and small. If you can help in some way, please phone Eleanor Dunn at 604-251-1943 (and mention condolences on her recently broken leg!).

THE LIBRARY COMMITTEE The library committee is looking for someone to sign out books in the library on the second Sunday of the month. This is a wonderful way to meet people and learn more about the library collection. Contact David at davidfbuchanan@gmail.com.

THE HUMAN RESOURCES COMMITTEE is looking for 1 - 2 people to join our committee. Help us create a positive, healthy work environment for our UCV staff. Contact Sheila Resels, chair of HR, at sresels@gmail.com for further information.

CASUAL CARETAKER OPPORTUNITY: UCV is in need of a casual Caretaker to help maintain our beautiful campus and to assist the many individuals and community groups who make use of our rental spaces. Previous caretaking or custodial experience is an asset but not necessarily required. Must be available to work evenings and weekends. This is an ideal opportunity for students or for those looking for a source of supplemental income. Hours vary with rental space usage. If interested, please send a cover letter and resume to Marcus at marcus@vancouverunitarians.ca.

KIDS TAKEOVER UCV: Inspired by the recent Kids Takeover UBC, we are beginning to plan for a Kids Takeover day (or week? Or month?) at UCV. Share your ideas on the RE bulletin board or send

to kidstakeoverucv@gmail.com. See article on web for more information. Supported by Arts Committee.

BOOK BASH DONATIONS: The Library Committee encourages everyone to donate gently used books for the upcoming Book Bash on March 25. Please drop them off in the library on Sundays before/after the service.

SMARTPHONE NEEDED: Our church Administration and Children's Program would like to be able to accept onsite electronic donations for events and services with a WiFi-enabled smartphone. Please contact the office if you have a potential donation, please do not drop any electronic off without speaking to one of us. Thank you!

THE CONNECT & ENGAGE COMMITTEE is looking for volunteers to facilitate informal conversation amongst newcomers (& regulars). The topic is the Sunday sermon. Our weekly *Sermon Discussions* are from 12:15 to approximately 1 pm. This only requires that you sign up for *one session per year*. If you'd like to join the team, contact Sheila at sresels@gmail.com.

JEWISH HOLIDAYS (JH) COMMITTEE: If you enjoy participating in celebrations that combine great food, stimulating conversation amongst Unitarians, their friends & family members, join our (JH) team. Please contact Sheila at sresels@gmail.com for more information.

OUTREACH OPPORTUNITIES FUND: The Outreach Opportunities Fund will be collecting for the Community Legal Assistance Society (CLAS), from February to May. CLAS provides legal assistance in BC to people with problems in the areas of workers' rights, income security, housing, mental health and human rights.

OUTSIDE ANNOUNCEMENTS

FARMERS ON 57TH GROW YOUR OWN FOOD COURSE: Starts Thursday March 29th. Costs \$300 and comes with a 4' X 6' instructional plot, all the tools and supplies you'll need and 12 instructional sessions every 2nd Thursday, 6:30-8pm. Urban farmers Karen & Jess guide you through every step of the season from soil prep, seed starting to crop maintenance and harvesting. Eat what you grow! Find more details at www.farmerson57th.ca.

THANK YOU TO THE SUPPORT TEAM TODAY:

COFFEE SET UP AND SERVERS

FLOWERS

LIBRARY AND LITERATURE STALL

SOUND

LUNCH

GREETERS

WELCOME AND INFORMATION TABLE

CARETAKER(S)

Pat Johnson, Pat MacBain

Lorraine Calame

George Atherton

Galen Elfert

Refugee Committee

Margo Elfert, Sakura Nandana, Setty Pendakur, Penny Pearson

Audrey Cook, Karen Bartlett

Edgar Silveira

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



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.

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