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Loving Imperfections

- Leonie Armstrong -

- August 28, 2016 -

UNITARIAN CHURCH OF VANCOUVER

Celebration of Worship

August 28, 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.



The prelude beginning at 10:45 am helps to create a spirit for shared celebration and worship. Please refrain from conversing and please turn off your cell phones.



Prelude

Introduction

Geoff Gomery

Invocation/Greeting Our Neighbours

Leonie Armstrong

Kindling the Chalice Flame

Geoff Gomery

Opening Hymn #34

Though I May Sing With Bravest Fire

Story for All Ages

Words Are Not For Hurting Elizabeth Verdick
read by Geoff Gomery

Let's Sing the Children Out "*Go now...*"

Welcome and Announcements

Reading from the Book of Celebrations and Concerns

Offering

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

Meditation, Spoken* then Silent

Leonie Armstrong

Musical Response

Homily

Loving Imperfections
Leonie Armstrong

Closing Words/Extinguishing the Chalice Flame

Geoff Gomery

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

Postlude

**May I be filled with loving kindness / May I be well
May I be filled with loving kindness / May I be well
May I be peaceful and at ease / And may I be whole*

*May you be filled with loving kindness / May you be well
May you be filled with loving kindness / May you be well
May you be peaceful and at ease / And may you be whole*

*May we be filled with loving kindness / May we be well
May we be filled with loving kindness / May we be well
May we be peaceful and at ease / And may we be whole*

Next Sunday Service: September 4, 2016, 11 am

Empathy and Racism in Canada: Buddhists to Bertrand Russell

William Bruneau

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.

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

COFFEE SET UP AND SERVERS

Raj Pendakur, Pat Johnson

FLOWERS

Diane Donaldson

LIBRARY AND LITERATURE STALL

Aphrodite Harris, Hilda Wiebe

LUNCH

No Lunch

ORDER OF SERVICE

Hunter MacNiven

SOUND

Rob Greig

GREETERS

John and Rae Smith, Greg Grant, Gary Smook, Hilda Wiebe

WELCOME AND INFORMATION TABLE

STAFF

PARISH MINISTER

Rev. Steven Epperson

COMMUNITY MINISTER

Rev. Laura Imayoshi

DIRECTOR OF RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Kiersten Moore

CHOIR DIRECTOR

Donna Brown

MUSIC ASSISTANT TO THE MINISTER

Elliott Dainow

CASUAL CARETAKERS

James Wilson, Ben Yeung, Mark Klassen,

Marcus Hynes, Paul Nash, Matt Yeung

CONGREGATIONAL ADMINISTRATOR

Hunter MacNiven

BOOKKEEPER

Collene Harris

SUNDAY RECEPTIONISTS

Virginia Crabill, Robert Schultz

UCV LAY CHAPLAINS

Nan Gregory, Nicola Hamilton,

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

AUGUST 21, 2016

OUR CAPITAL \$\$ AT WORK

Work has begun and will run until the end of September replacing skylights and some roof repairs on the Sanctuary and installing a new roof on the administration building. *Rain Drops Are Dancing on our Roof, not on our heads.....*

-Your Buildings and Grounds Committee

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.

ART THIS MONTH: Aug 2 - Aug 30, Joanne Hastie, *Around Corners* acrylics.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

THE CHILDREN AND YOUTH OF UCV NEED YOU! Our fall children's programming will be starting up on September 18th and Kiersten Moore, our new DRE, needs your help to make it happen! Volunteering for CYRE can be a small gift of time—providing snack, helping with one special event, chaperoning a sleepover—but we also need larger gifts of time—leading class for 3 or 6 weeks, helping with the Christmas pageant, assisting in class once/month over the year. Our core curriculum this fall and winter is Celebrating our Origins of the Universe. We can use anyone who has an interest in stars, evolution, cosmology, and earth or life science. Please see Kiersten Moore after the service for more information, questions, or to sign up. You may also email her at dre@vancouverunitarians.ca

CHRISTMAS WREATHS IN THE CHURCH 2016:

I am looking for a replacement leader for the Christmas Wreath making team. The event usually takes place on 2nd Saturday of December, (10th Dec 2016). I am not available this year but am very happy to mentor someone who is willing to take on the job. We have people who can supply the greenery and the wreath bases and the wire to attach the bows are in storage at UCV.

Please call me at 604-263-0265 if you are willing to commit to this fun job.

Gay Kuchta

MOVEABLE FEAST FOR AUGUST: Beach Party on Saturday, August 27th at Locarno Beach. We will be meeting on the beach just west of the Jericho Pier at 6:00 pm. Bring your own picnic or purchase take-out at the Jericho Sailing Club. Bring a beach chair or blanket and beverage. For more information contact Dianne Crosbie, dcrosbie@uniserve.com

DO YOU GET UCV EVENTS AND THE WEEKLY ORDER OF SERVICE DELIVERED TO YOUR INBOX? It's an easy way to keep up on what's going on around here. Just send an email to ucvevents@gmail.com if you'd like to be added to the list. ALL you'll receive is 5-6 messages per month. It's not a discussion list. AND if you WANT a discussion list, there's vancouverunitarians@googlegroups.com. Approximately 100 of us share news, dream up events and introduce ourselves. Let Mary Bennett know if you'd like to try it out.

OUTSIDE ANNOUNCEMENTS

NORTHWEST WILDERNESS SOCIETY: Are you still thinking about making plans for those delicious lazy summer holidays!?! Come to Wilderness anytime until August 31. For more info, website www.kootenaywildernesscamping.org, info@kootenaywildernesscamping.org, or phone Mary Lage at 604-435 9265. Brochures are available in Hewett Centre (under the Unitarian Camps area).

ANNUAL VANCOUVER ISLAND UNITARIAN WOMEN'S RETREAT will be held at Bethlehem Retreat Centre in Nanaimo, BC on the weekend of September 16 to 18, 2016. The cost for the weekend is \$225 before August 20, \$240 after. The workshop is *Women's Song* with Leah Hockinson. Registration form, with more information is at <http://tinyurl.com/2016NWR>. For further information contact Theresa at tmarion3@yahoo.com or 604-687-4864.