



Rescue and Flight: How Unitarians Helped Save Refugees in WWII

- Rev. Steven Epperson -

- May 1, 2016 -

UNITARIAN CHURCH OF VANCOUVER

Celebration of Worship

May 1, 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	Jewish Melodies	E. Dainow, piano
Invocation	<i>Hashivenu</i>	with the Chalice Choir
Opening Words /Greeting Our Neighbours		Rev. Steven Epperson
Kindling the Chalice Flame		
Opening Hymn #291		<i>Die Gedanken Sind Frei</i>
Story for All Ages		read by Rev. Steven Epperson
Let's sing the children out " <i>Go now...</i> "		
Welcome and Announcements		Marg Fletcher
Reading from the Book of Celebrations and Concerns		Marg Fletcher
Offering <i>We deeply appreciate your presence here, your offerings and the gifts you share.</i>	<i>L'Dor Vador*</i>	M. Finkelstein E. Dainow, piano & voice
Meditation		Rev. Steven Epperson
Musical Response	<i>Bashana Haba'ah</i>	E. Manor and N. Hirsch, arr. J. Leavitt with the Chalice Choir

Sermon

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Closing Hymn #148

Let Freedom Span Both East and West

Closing Words

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Valediction

*Carry the flame of peace and love, until we meet again.
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* The translation of this prayer is:
*To all generations we will make known Your greatness,
And to all eternity proclaim Your holiness.
Your praise, O God, shall never depart our lips.
Blessed is the Lord, the Holy God.*

The chalice and flame was designed in 1940 by Jewish Austrian refugee Hans Deutsch. The symbol was commissioned by Rev. Charles Joy, the director of the Lisbon and Marseille offices of the Unitarian Service Ctte. The flaming chalice has become the world-wide symbol of the Unitarian Universalist community.



Next Sunday Service: May 8, 2016, 11 am

Mother's Day / Flower Communion

Rev. Steven Epperson

music: Peter Zaenker, guitar and voice

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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Martha and Rev. Waitstill Sharp. Honoured as “Righteous Among the Nations” by Yad Vashem World Holocaust Memorial Centre



Rev. Robert and Elizabeth Dexter, Unitarian Service Ctte and active in supporting members of the French Resistance.

Left: Varian Fry, Emergency Rescue Ctte. Worked with Unitarian and Jewish groups to rescue anti-Nazi and Jewish refugees. Honoured as “Righteous Among the Nations” by Yad Vashem

Right: Rev. Charles Joy, director of Lisbon and Marseille offices of the Unitarian Service Ctte.



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PLEDGE DRIVE 2016!

We have opened another window and the total currently is \$242,000! Thank you to all our wonderful pledgers. This is the last Sunday to make your pledge before the stalwart phoners start calling YOU on May 4th. Please make your decision and come pledge in Lindsey Priestley after the service. Thank you.
.—Liz Monrad



ART THIS MONTH: Developmental Disabilities Association.

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. Children aged 4 through 12, enjoy our core program.

LOVE SOUP LUNCH: Please come and enjoy our delicious hot soup, fresh salad, yummy dessert and tasty Terra Bread in our very happy & friendly dining room. This is a part of fundraising for our beautiful church and the last *Love Soup* for this season. Your continued support and help in any size is very much appreciated!—Amy Megumi Anderson, nosredna6@shaw.ca

FORUM: The new documentary film *A Last Stand For Lelu* will be shown at the May 1 forum. A great injustice is being done on Lelu Island near Prince Rupert, B.C. The provincial government is trying to green light the construction of a massive LNG terminal without the consent of the Lax Kw'alaams people who have considered the land sacred and crucial for salmon for over 10,000 years. Come see the film, learn about the issues and hear from guest speakers. Sponsored by the Environment Committee.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

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

CHALICE CHOIR SPRING CABARET: Dreaming of Summer! Join the Chalice Choir for a light-hearted evening of folk and pop music, with special guests, ErRatica. No host bar & light snacks. Childcare provided. Saturday, May 14 at 7:30 pm, Hewett Centre. Tickets are limited, so get yours early! \$20 (low income – pay what you can), available from any choir member.

AN EVENING OF GOOD COMPANY GOOD FOOD WITH ADVENTUROUS DINING:

Ucv Moveable Feast: Saturday, May 28th At 6:00pm. Tamam Palestinian Restaurant 2616 East Hastings (just east of Nanaimo). To confirm your attendance and learn about the menu: Michael Clague: 604-224-0604 or mclague@telus.net

CUC SUNDAY WORSHIP SERVICE AT CHAN CENTRE MAY 22: Join Unitarians from across Canada at the worship service in the Chan Centre at UBC May 22. Doors to the Chan open at 9:30 am and the service begins at 10:00 am. Please allow plenty of time to park in the nearby structure and walk a short distance to the entrance. There is a special accessible drop-off zone. Free admission tickets to the Chan (required for entry) will be available in local churches by the weekend of May 8, from volunteers outside the building on the morning, or in packets for registered participants. Contact Mary Lage (mlage@shaw.ca) if you can offer a ride to anyone needing assistance.

UCV WILL HAVE AN OUTREACH BOOTH AT THIS YEAR'S PRIDE FESTIVAL at Sunset Beach Park on Sunday, July 31, following the Pride Parade. We need about 20 good souls to represent the church as a warm, LGBTQ-friendly place that welcomes all people to express and explore their spirituality. Thanks to the 3 who have volunteered so far! Will you commit to a two-hour chunk of that day, to help with morning set-up, staffing the booth, or afternoon take-down and clean-up? We need your ideas and enthusiasm to make this a success! Contact Nan Gregory, nangregory@shaw.ca or Geoff Rempel, g_rempel@yahoo.com

SUNDAY GREETERS URGENTLY REQUIRED for the 1st and 2nd Sundays of the month. Arrive at 10:15 am to help with handing out the Order of Service, then after the collection you are free to join in the service. Some assistance with tidying up after the service may be needed. This is a great way to meet fellow members of the congregation and visitors, and to assist our community with just a small time commitment once a month. For more info or to sign up, please contact: Denise, 604-731-7630, djaynereida@hotmail.com or Margo, 604-276-1610, margoe@telus.net

UCV BOOK BASH WILL BE HELD ON MAY 29 from 9 am to 1 pm. We have a great selection of books to suit every reader. Calling for volunteers to help on Friday, May 27, and Sat, May 28 from 10 – 4 pm and Sunday, 1 – 4 pm. Any help would be greatly appreciated. Volunteers will get the opportunity to buy books ahead of Sunday's sale and a lunch is served on Sat. Call Lindsay at 604-806-0221 or David at 604-319-5199. **BOOK BASH DONATIONS STILL WELCOME.** No text books and only clean, gently used books please. Thank-you.

HOOTENANNY FOR HOMES: Tonight, 7–9:30 pm, Unitarian Church of Vancouver. Singalong and raise your voices with Solidarity Notes Labour Choir and many of their musical friends. MC: BC MLA Melanie Mark. Co-sponsored by the Social Justice Committee, this event is a fundraiser for Raise the Rates, UCV's Refugee Committee and Solidarity Notes. Tickets available from Solidarity Notes choir members or at the door: \$15/ pay what you can.

BAKED GOODS AND SAVORY TREATS FOR HOOTENANNY FOR HOMES: We welcome contributions of baked goods and savory treats for the Hootenanny tonight. Please contact Hanno Pinder (hannopinder@gmail.com) or Leslie Kemp (lkemp@telus.net) if you are able to contribute treats for the Hootenanny.

THE THIRD SUNDAY BOOK GROUP meets Sunday, May 15 at 12:30 pm in the Lindsey/Priestley Room to discuss the book *The Reason You Walk*. When his father was diagnosed with terminal cancer, Winnipeg broadcaster and musician Wab Kinew decided to spend a year reconnecting with the accomplished but distant aboriginal man who'd raised him. This revealing memoir explores two journeys of reconciliation: that of a father and a son; and that of a country searching for healing and a way forward. All are welcome.

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	Catherine Stewart, Susan Krug, Adele Cleverdon
FLOWERS	Chris Pearce
LIBRARY AND LITERATURE STALL	Jean Stanton, Randall MacKinnon
LUNCH	Love Soup
ORDER OF SERVICE	Hunter MacNiven
SOUND	Rob Taylor
GREETERS	Ursula Litzcke, Denise Nereida, Melody Mason
WELCOME AND INFORMATION TABLE	

STAFF

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The Unitarian Church of Vancouver

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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

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