



Image credit: Abigail Adams(top left), Susan B Anthony(top right), and Thomas Jefferson(bottom)

***Historical UUs:
the Good, the Bad and the Questionable***

UCV Youth Group
– January 22, 2017 –

UNITARIAN CHURCH OF VANCOUVER

Celebration of Worship

January 22, 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

The Greatest Love of All Masser and Creed
played by Patrick Dubois

Opening Words/Greeting Our Neighbours

Sera Upsdell-Reddekopp

Kindling the Chalice Flame

Opening Hymn #1021

Lean on Me

Story for all Ages

Imagine a Day Sarah L. Thomson
read by Olivia Hall

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

Welcome and Announcements

Erin Moulding

Reading from the Book of Celebrations and Concerns

Erin Moulding

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

#1014 *Standing on the Side of Love*
played by Patrick Dubois

Meditation, spoken then silent

Olivia Hall

Musical Response

#1053 *How Could Anyone*
played by Patrick Dubois

Sermon

Historical UUs: the Good, the Bad, and the Questionable
Sera Upsdell-Reddekopp, Jenny Tang, and Emi Lavoie

Closing Hymn #1028

The Fire of Commitment

Closing Words/Extinguishing the Chalice Flame

Sera Upsdell-Reddekopp

Valediction

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

Next Sunday Service: January 29, 2017, 11 am

Unitarians and Prayer

Rev. Steven Epperson

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.

The Greatest Love Of All (by Masser and Creed, 1977)

(as sung by Whitney Houston, 1985)

[Verse 1:]

*I believe the children are our future
Teach them well and let them lead the way
Show them all the beauty they possess inside
Give them a sense of pride to make it easier
Let the children's laughter remind us how we used to be*

[Verse 2:]

*Everybody's searching for a hero
People need someone to look up to
I never found anyone who fulfilled my needs
A lonely place to be
And so I learned to depend on me*

[Chorus:]

*I decided long ago, never to walk in anyone's shadow
If I fail, if I succeed, at least I'll live as I believe
No matter what they take from me
They can't take away my dignity. Because the
Greatest love of all is happening to me
I found the greatest love of all inside of me
The greatest love of all is easy to achieve
Learning to love yourself it is the greatest love of all*

[Repeat Verse 1]

[Repeat Chorus]

*And if, by chance, that special place
That you've been dreaming of
Leads you to a lonely place
Find your strength in love*

JANUARY 15, 2017

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 and 12:30 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 anytime.

BOOKS RELATED TO TODAY'S SERVICE:

The Cathedral of the World

An Introduction to the Unitarian and Universalist Traditions

Being Liberal in an Illiberal Age

Unitarians in Canada

Unitarian Universalism: A Narrative History

Guarding Sacred Embers

What If and Other Stories of Principle

FORUM, FIRESIDE, 12:45 – 1:45 PM: *Peace-Bearers*

Join us for Robert Ages' presentation on the Peace Bearers: non-violent activists based on First Nations *Warrior Culture*.

Hear about the origins of the Peace Bearers and the prospects and impact of climate change for activism and society in general.

Bob Ages has been a lifelong activist for labour and human rights issues and is a dynamic speaker. *Sponsored by the Social Justice Committee*

BUMBLEBERRY SUNDAE: After the service, enjoy Bumbleberry Sundaes courtesy of the New U Committee. Every berry lovingly handpicked last summer.

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: *Alchemical Visions* by Louise Bunn / *SignPosts* by Mary Bennett. New work in mixed-media.

Wed, Jan. 25: 7—9 pm, Artists' Talk – Louise and Mary will give an illustrated talk about their current work (and what preceded it and what's coming next). Starts in Fireside Room and then moves to Sanctuary for a walkabout.

HOW WE'RE CHANGING THE WORLD!

The Vancouver Unitarians banner was flying high and proud in front of over 5,000 people in the Nov. 19 *Stop Kinder Morgan March and Rally*.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

BOARD FORUM, JANUARY 29, 12:45: The Board is looking forward to sharing with you an opportunity which has come up to explore options around a possible redevelopment of the UCV campus and further our visioning journey.

SFU PHILOSOPHERS' CAFÉ: It's Back! UCV is now co-sponsoring the Philosophers' Café on the last Friday of the month (taking over the time previously held by the Friday Café). It's free (speech) - community and church members are encouraged to attend and participate.

Fri. Jan. 27, 7—9 pm, Fireside Room.

Topic: 2016 Published Progress? What news proclaimed as major advances or triumphs might also be viewed as dubious progress – at best?

Moderator: RandallMacKinnon@yahoo.ca

JANUARY'S MOVEABLE FEAST FOR UNITARIANS AND FRIENDS



We will be dining at an upscale Japanese Restaurant, Zipang <http://www.zipangprovisions.com/>

Located at 3068 Main Street, between 14th and 15th. Join us on Saturday, January 28 at 6:00 pm. To reserve a place at the Feast table, RSVP to dcrosbie@uniserve.com

NEW U IN A DAY

Interested in learning more about Unitarianism and the Unitarian Church of Vancouver? **Come to NEW U in a Day, Saturday Feb 4, 2017, 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.



FAMILY DAY CIRCLE DANCE, *FAMILY LOVE*: We'll dance heart and love-themed dances in honour of our family, our loved ones. Optional Dress: You may choose to dress in Valentine's Day colours of red, purple and pink and bring extras to lend. Mon., February 13 in the Hall, 7—9 pm, by donation. Facilitator: Corinne Chepil.

THE UCV THIRD SUNDAY BOOK GROUP will meet Sunday, Feb. 19 from 12:30 - 2 pm in Hewett Centre, Lindsey-Priestley Room. The book to be discussed is *The BFG* by Roald Dahl. This children's book explores the concepts of dreams, magic, mystery, love and belonging using a playful approach to words. Everyone is welcome.

LOVE SOUP: Thank you very much for coming and enjoying *Love Soup* last Sunday. It was a big success, a second base hit! When many of us get together, we can achieve a bigger result. Big thank you goes to, as always, dedicated and kind helpers and supporters! Next *Love Soup* will be on the third Sunday, February 19. Please mark your calendar.

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 ANNOUCEMENTS

My friend Bill Chu will be speaking on the topic *To act justly and to love mercy in Indigenous territories* at 12:30 p.m. on January 28th at Missionsfest at the Vancouver Convention Centre, on the second floor in room 09. The conference requires no pre-registration and is free. Bill Chu has worked tirelessly on behalf of Indigenous communities and has publicized the little-known history of close connections between B.C. Indigenous peoples and Chinese immigrant railway and cannery workers who supported one another in past eras of even greater prejudice against visible minorities, and has brought over 2000 into native reserves to hear first hand Indigenous concerns.

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.

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Bumbleberry Sundae

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

WELCOME AND INFORMATION TABLE

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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