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(right) Dakota Access Pipeline protestors, Winter 2016/17

The Question of Power in History: Great Men or Small Groups

Rev. Steven Epperson

– March 12, 2017 –

UNITARIAN CHURCH OF VANCOUVER

Celebration of Worship

March 12, 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

Russian music

Rubinstein
Kabalevsky
Gretchaninoff
Scriabin
E. Dainow, piano

Invocation

The Turning of the World R. Pelham
with the Chalice Choir

Opening Words/Greeting Our Neighbours

Rev. Steven Epperson

Kindling the Chalice Flame

Opening Hymn #118

This Little Light of Mine

Story for all Ages

read by Rev. Steven Epperson

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

Welcome and Announcements

Marg Fletcher

Reading from the Book of Celebrations and Concerns

Marg Fletcher

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

Humoresque Tchaikovsky
E. Dainow, piano

Meditation, spoken then silent

Rev. Steven Epperson

Musical Response

If I Had a Hammer
L. Hays and P. Seeger, arr. R. De Cormier
with the Chalice Choir

Sermon

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Closing Hymn #295

Sing Out Praises for the Journey

Closing Words/Extinguishing the Chalice Flame

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Valediction

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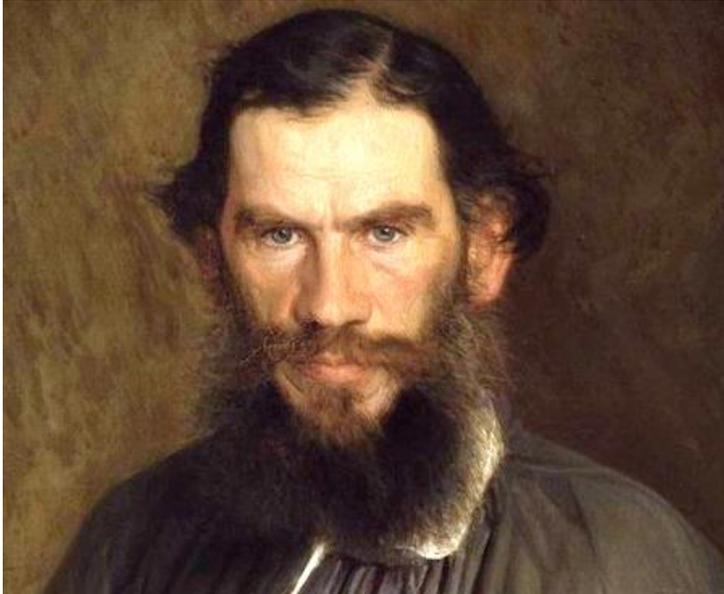


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Women's March/Rally, January 21, 2017

Next Sunday Service: March 19, 2017, 11 am

“Without a Vision, the People Perish”

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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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 am and 12:30 pm 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.

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: March 2—April 3, There will be a retrospective of John Voth’s work *Inner Beauty Of Wood Exposed* in the Sanctuary and Fireside. He is a long-time valued member of this community, contributing time and effort in many ways. Look up and see his handiwork: the coppers on the beams, with symbols on them.

FORUM, FIRESIDE, 12:30 – 1:30 PM

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

ANNOUNCEMENTS

HOW WE'RE CHANGING THE WORLD!

Co-sponsored the production of
the Hooker Monologues show at the Firehall Theatre

<http://www.hookermonologues.ca/> in March, 2016

and hosted a preview staged reading at

UCV which was filmed by CBC's The National:

<http://www.cbc.ca/news/thenational/the-hooker-monologues-1.3358172>

in December 2015.

UPCOMING BOOK BASH!

Join us on March 19 from 9 am to 1 pm

for the Book Bash in Hewett Hall.

Books \$1, \$2, \$3.

COFFEE SERVERS: Hi everyone, We are looking for coffee service volunteers for before and after the service. If you're new to UCV, it's a great way to meet everyone and make yourself at home! Please call Adel @ 604-603-8593.

JOIN UNITARIANS FOR AN EASTER SUNDAY DINNER at the church. April 16, 5:30—7 pm. Volunteers to help set up and clean up appreciated. Contact ucvhygge@gmail.com. Details and RSVP: <https://easter-hygge.eventbrite.ca>

THE UCV THIRD SUNDAY BOOK GROUP meets Sunday, March 19 at 12:30 pm in the Lindsey-Priestley Room, Hewett Centre to discuss *The Heaviness of Things that Float*, by Jennifer Manuel. This novel depicts the world of Bernadette, a nurse who has lived on the periphery of a remote coastal reserve for 40 years. Darrel J. McLeod notes a "powerful narrative voice of an outsider convinced she belongs in this imaginary but very real indigenous community. Time, human need and self-delusion - both personal and cultural - conspire in what will be a valuable resource in our national discussion on reconciliation." Everyone welcome.

FINDING IT HARD TO MEET PEOPLE ON SUNDAY MORNINGS? We know that coffee hour can be a little busy and noisy - and conversations may start but get interrupted. Your "Hygge" Team has lined up at least one potluck dinner for small groups in members' homes or at the church from March 18th right through to June. Please contact Mary at ucvhygge@gmail.com to get details. The next one is March 18th in Kerrisdale and there's still space for you. Among the guests will be our minister emeritus Rev. Phillip Hewett. I always learn something new when I'm with Phillip. *—Mary Bennett*

EASTER CHOCOLATE: Buy Purdy's chocolate at regular prices and 25% will go to UCV to support the labyrinth fund. Contact Mary Bennett for catalogue. or go here to order online: <https://www.purdysgpp.com/join/35958> The chocolate will be delivered to UCV and I'll have it available for pick up either Sunday April 2 or 9. Contact maryinvancouver@gmail.com with any questions you may have.

OUR OWN CLARENCE "MR. SHARP" PHELPS will be home-bound for a lengthy period awaiting surgery, but he welcomes visitors. He's great at games [Just ask him why I call it "Unlucky Sevens"!] and he'd appreciate a call first, at 604-321-7899.

SACRED CIRCLE DANCING: Just like Alexander Keith's beer, "Those who like it, like it a lot." There are now about 20 of the songs in our Unitarian hymnals that have been choreographed to dance in a circle. Most dances are fairly slow and meditative; others more lively. All dances are taught each time we dance them and our mantra is "There are no wrong steps, only variations." GLAD - Gathering for Labyrinth, Art and Dance includes an hour of circle dancing and also easy art (think colouring books!) and time to walk our labyrinths. It's on the 3rd Thursday, 11 am—1 pm: next one March 16. The three facilitators are more than willing to help you adapt the steps or change the dances for those with physical limitations. Contact Mary Bennett, circle-dance@vancouverunitarians.ca or Mairy Beam, mairyelesbea@gmail.com.

NEW MEMBERS BREAKFAST: Prior to the service March 19, there will be a breakfast at 9:30 am in the Fireside room for those who are interested in becoming members of UCV. This is for anyone who has attended "New U in a Day". Various committee chairs will be present to provide information on the many activities going on in the church. For those who are ready to sign the membership book, Rev. Steven Epperson will witness your signature. For additional information, contact Dianne Crosbie at dcrosbie@uniserve.com or contact the church office at 604-261-7204.

HUMBLE HAWKER OF HOMILIES AND SERMONS needed one hour per month. Easy working conditions. See Lit Stall staff or inquire at the UCV Library. (Less humble applicants also considered: we're an EOE.)



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MARCH MOVABLE FEAST WILL BE: Saturday, March 25 at 6:00 pm.

Athene's Greek Restaurant,
3618 West Broadway, Vancouver
(near Alma).

RSVP: Karen Bartlett or
Dianne Crosbie, Karen.bartlett@ubc.ca or
dcrosbie@uniserve.com

*“We always welcome feedback on our worship services:
worship@vancouverunitarians.ca, Sincerely, UCV Worship Services Committee”*

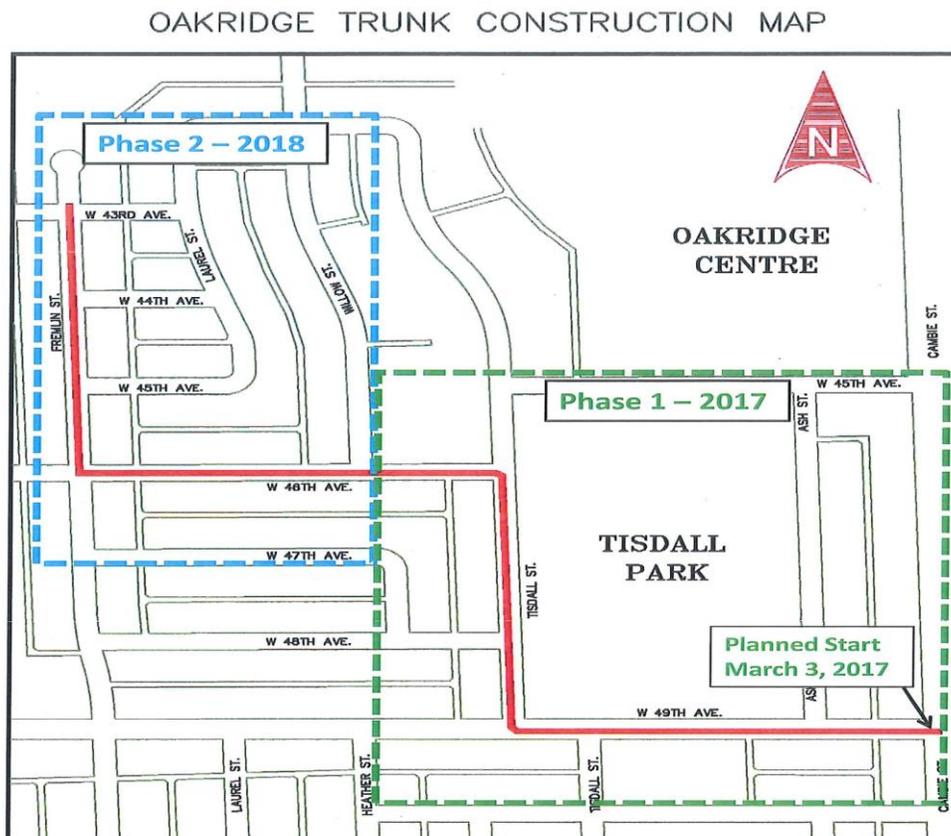
OUTSIDE ANNOUNCEMENTS

UNITARIAN FAMILY CAMP AT LAKE SASAMAT, JUNE 2–4:

Set in the natural splendor of Port Moody’s Belcarra Regional Park, the camp offers swimming, boating, hiking, climbing, children and youth programs, a choral workshop for youth/adults, campfires and other fun communal events. Heated cabins with electricity. Meals provided. Note: Children love this camp but you do not need to bring children in order to attend Family Camp! To see a fun video created by Ross & Gaby Harvey of our 2016 camp, go to Youtube and search for “Camp Sasamat hosted by Beacon Unitarian”.

For more information visit: <http://beaconunitarian.org/index.php/camp/>.

Please note that City construction will be happening in the area that may affect your travel to UCV.



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	Ann Foster, Amy Megumi Anderson
FLOWERS	Lorraine Calame
LIBRARY AND LITERATURE STALL	Diane Donaldson
LUNCH	Refugee Ctte
ORDER OF SERVICE	Hunter MacNiven
SOUND	Galen Elfert
GREETERS	Margo Elfert, Sakura Nandana, Setty Pendakur, Penny Pearson
WELCOME AND INFORMATION TABLE	Audrey Cook, Nancy Barker

STAFF

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DIRECTOR OF RELIGIOUS EDUCATION	Kiersten Moore
CHOIR DIRECTOR	Donna Brown
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CONGREGATIONAL ADMINISTRATOR	Hunter MacNiven
OFFICE ASSISTANT	Marcus Hynes
BOOKKEEPER	Collene Harris
SUNDAY RECEPTIONISTS	Virginia Crabill, Robert Schultz
UCV LAY CHAPLAINS	Nan Gregory, Louise Bunn

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