



## ***UN Sunday and Gibbard Award***

John Gibbard Award Committee and this year's award recipient:  
Andrew Sheroubi

October 21, 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.



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

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## ***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 seats in the rear of the church are **reserved**: (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. The UCV Campus is a non-smoking environment.

## **TODAY AT UCV**

**MEDITATION:** Join us for the Sunday morning sitting meditation at 10 – 10:45 am in the Meditation Room. There is brief guidance at the beginning of each sit. Inquiries: [victoriaoginski@gmail.com](mailto:victoriaoginski@gmail.com)

**SERMON DISCUSSION,** 12:15 – 1 pm at a designated table in the Hall. Newcomers/regulars welcome!

**FORUM:** The UCV Board presents: Filling the gaps for Phase 2 of the redevelopment research. Task groups will be struck to research items not covered in the Phase 2 proposal, including "What happens if we don't go forward with redevelopment", which will include proposal for a depreciation report and collection of existing records from B&G. Other proposals may include application for a housing co-op. Additional ideas or identification of gaps will be sought at the Forum, with the understanding that volunteers to undertake the tasks will be a necessary part of the discussion.

**NEW ART EXHIBITION:** M. Carscience: *The Light of All Things*. A collection of abstract light paintings. The images are made with a technique the artist calls "experimental optics," curious experiments with digital photography and disassembled camera lens parts, which transforms the light of our illuminated environment into tableaux that challenge perceptions and invite the imagination to explore new realms.

**THE ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE** is meeting today in Biddle today at 12:30 pm. Interested or curious to hear what is going on? Come by and check out what we are doing within the church, around town, and beyond!

**LOVE SOUP** is today! Please join us in the Hewett Centre after service for delicious soup, fresh salad, Terra bread, and some yummy dessert. Your continued support is very much appreciated!

**LABYRINTH WALK, FALL PLANT SWAP & HERBAL WORKSHOP:** Outdoors or Hewett Hall if raining, 1 – 3 pm. Sandy will show you how to make a fall art piece for your wall. Mary and Coral will organize herbal teas, labyrinth information and plant swap (giveaway)! Mary will show you how to root cuttings from sage plants to create your own windowsill herb garden. There is winter Gaia Gardens will also be offering a free herbal workshop from 3 – 4:30 pm.

## ***Families with Children, Welcome!***

Our Director of Religious Exploration, Kiersten Moore, coordinates a team of staff and volunteer teachers to provide programming for children (up to age 12) and youth (secondary school age). We build community, explore traditions and spiritual practices, ask big questions, and nurture individual power to bring love and justice forward. Visit our website for more information [www.vancouverunitarians.ca](http://www.vancouverunitarians.ca) or email Kiersten at [dre@vancouverunitarians.ca](mailto:dre@vancouverunitarians.ca) There are many volunteer opportunities within the program and it is a great way to be involved, deepen spirituality, and build connections.

**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.

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

### ***Children and Youth on Sundays***

Everyone begins the morning together in the sanctuary for the first 10-15 minutes of worship through the *Story for All Ages*. The First Sunday of each month everyone remains in the Sanctuary for worship together (nursery care is available during all-ages services), 2<sup>nd</sup> to 5<sup>th</sup> Sundays children (up to 12) and youth (13-19) continue their Explorations across the courtyard in Hewett Centre.

**Responsible adults must pick up children under age 9 from their classroom at 12:15**, Youth Group runs until 12:30, older children and youth will be released to meet their family in the hall for coffee hour. You may join your child in Explorations, but we encourage giving them their own time whenever possible.

### ***Colour Buttons Identify Teachers and Advisers***

**Orange:** Toddler Watch--attending to babies and children under 4 within the Children's Program.

**Green:** Children's Program Leaders and Assistants

**Yellow:** Youth Advisers

**Children and babies** are always welcome in our worship services. To parents and responsible adults, we offer some tips to help you and your children be at ease:

- Mother Nature put the wiggle in children; don't feel you have to suppress it in our church.
- Sit towards the front where your child can see what is going on; backs of heads are boring! Help your child by being a role model.
- Gently and quietly explain what is going on, how people are listening or participating.
- Answer your child's questions with a quiet whisper—they often whisper back.
- Encourage your child to work with their 'Buddy Bag' to help them concentrate on worship.
- If your child needs to leave the service, please feel free to come back. We believe children belong in sacred spaces.
- The service can also be heard in the foyer and in Hewett Hall where a playroom is open for your use.

# Celebration of Worship: October 21, 2018

<b>Prelude</b>	<i>Hungarian Dance</i> <i>Arabian Dance</i> <i>Chinese Dance</i>	Tchaikovsky Tchaikovsky Tchaikovsky E. Dainow, piano
<b>Invocation</b>	<i>Circle Round for Freedom</i>	<i>L. Hirschhorn</i> With the Chalice Choir
<b>Opening Words/Greeting Our Neighbours</b>		Way Kent
<b>Kindling the Chalice Flame</b>		Way Kent
<b>Opening Hymn</b>	<i>#131 Love Will Guide Us</i>	
<b>Story for All Ages</b>		Read by Kiersten Moore
<i>Let's sing the children out... (and lantern lighting!)</i>		
<b>Announcements</b>		Ursula Litzcke
<b>Reading from the Book of Celebrations and Concerns</b>		Ursula Litzcke
<b>Offering:</b> <i>We deeply appreciate your presence here, your offerings and the gifts you share.</i>	<i>Russian dance</i>	Tchaikovsky E. Dainow
<b>Meditation, Spoken then Silent</b>		
<b>Musical Response/Anthem</b>	<i>I Am Willing</i>	H. Near, arr. S. Milloy With the Chalice Choir
<b>John Gibbard Award*</b>		Award presented by the John Gibbard Award Committee
<i>This year's Gibbard Award honours Andrew Sheroubi*</i>		
<b>Closing Words</b>		Lorimer Shenher
<b>Closing Hymn</b>	<i>#318 We Would Be One</i>	
<b>Extinguishing the Chalice Flame</b>		Way Kent
<b>Valediction</b>	<i>Carry the flame of peace and love, until we meet again. (x2)</i>	

\*The John Gibbard Memorial Award is presented annually by the Vancouver Branch of the UN Association in Canada in recognition and memory of John Gibbard who was a supporter of the League of Nations from its creation in 1919, in the wake of the First World War. When the League ceased to exist, John Gibbard continued to support the ideals upon which the League had been founded. When the United Nations was formed after the Second World War, he became an active member of the UN Association in Canada. He was dedicated to involving youth in the creation of a better world for all.

The Award is given to youth up to 25 years of age in recognition of their dedication and commitment to working for humanity and a better world locally or internationally.

Nominees or candidates:

- must be residents of the Metro Vancouver area
- may be individuals or groups
- cannot self-nominate
- must be nominated by a non-relative
- must be under 25 years old
- should exemplify the values of good citizenship and personal qualities of a humanitarian
- Candidates should have taken actions of both or either local and international nature

This year's award recipient is **Andrew Sheroubi**.



Andrew is deeply passionate about global humanitarian causes. As a Chemical and Biological engineering student at UBC, he was very involved with a variety of organizations such as Engineers Without Borders (EWB) and the Canadian Red Cross. He was president of the UBC Red Cross club for two years and is the current director (and one of the founders) of the Red Cross Student Movement (RCSM), a student led initiative aimed at empowering the community to take action on local and global issues. During his final year, Andrew created and ran APSC 498H, an Impact of Technology on Society course on humanitarian engineering. He also worked on designing a modular water treatment system for both remote First Nation's communities and disaster response situations. In his spare time Andrew enjoys reading, cooking and trying to find the ever elusive work-life balance.

## UPCOMING UCV COMMUNITY EVENTS

**CIRCLE DANCE INTRODUCTION:** Mon. Oct. 22, 7 – 8:30 pm. All welcome! Our 4th Monday circle dance sessions are especially for beginners--or anyone wanting a gentle circle dance gathering. A shorter time frame and fewer dances makes it easy to relax into what is intended as a meditative, community-building practice. We do 4 dances and repeat each one 3 times. It gets easier! RSVP appreciated but not required to Mary Bennett [circledanceucv@gmail.com](mailto:circledanceucv@gmail.com)



**NEXT MOVABLE FEAST:** Saturday, October 27 at 6:00 pm. Location: Kaya Malay Bistro, 1063 West Broadway (between Spruce and Oak). RSVP: Dianne Crosbie, [dcrosbie@uniserve.com](mailto:dcrosbie@uniserve.com)

**UCV BOOK BASH:** Sunday, October 28, 9 am to 1 pm in the Hewett Hall. A huge selection of gently-used fiction and nonfiction books priced to sell! **Volunteers are needed** on October 26, 12 – 4pm , October 27, 10 am – 4 pm; and October 28, 9 am – 1 pm. Contact [davidfbuchanan@gmail.com](mailto:davidfbuchanan@gmail.com) for more information.

## **UCV COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**BOARD NOMINATIONS:** Members of UCV may make additional nominations for Board positions by submitting a Nomination Petition for each nomination. The Nomination Petition shall be signed by at least 10 voting UCV members in good standing, include the written consent of the nominee and be filed with the Nominating Committee by November 11, 2018. Please submit to [gordongram@me.com](mailto:gordongram@me.com).

**SOUL COLLAGE GROUP?** Would you be interested in a regular time to get together to create soul collages? Coral Heron is a registered soul collage facilitator and is interested in forming a group at UCV. Contact [coralheron@shaw.ca](mailto:coralheron@shaw.ca) with your preferred time and date. More info at [soulcollage.com](http://soulcollage.com)

**COFFEE SERVICE:** Thanks to those who have offered to help. Much appreciated! We still have a couple of regular spots to fill. If you can't commit to be a regular helper, please consider becoming a spare. Please contact Eva Allan at [eallan@telus.net](mailto:eallan@telus.net) or at 604-738-4062.

**JOIN OUR SUNDAY MORNING GREETERS (AKA THE USHERS):** We are looking for people who have one hour once a month to volunteer and join us in welcoming visitors and members of the congregation to Sunday morning worship service. Greeters hand out the Order of Service and collect the offertory. After the offertory you can sit in the sanctuary for the remainder of the service. This is a pleasant way to meet other people, and to take a role in the life of our community. You will join an experienced team of greeters on the Sunday of your choice. No experience necessary – on the job training provided! For more information, please contact Denise Nereida at 604-731-7630 / [ditzah@telus.net](mailto:ditzah@telus.net) or Margo Elfert at 604-276-1610 / [margoe@telus.net](mailto:margoe@telus.net)

**OFFICE VOLUNTEERS NEEDED:** Office staff are looking for a few more brave souls to volunteer at the office reception desk on Sundays from 10 am - 1 pm. The 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> Sundays of the month are still available. Duties are mainly to provide a presence, assistance to members, photocopying, answering the phone. If this sounds like fun or even slightly terrifying, please call Aurora at 604-261-7204, extension 224, or email [ca@vancouverunitarians.ca](mailto:ca@vancouverunitarians.ca).

**OUTREACH OPPORTUNITIES FUND:** Rainbow Refugee will be the recipient of OOF funding for October to the end of January. Founded in 2000, the charity is a Vancouver-based community group that supports people seeking refugee protection in Canada because of persecution based on sexual orientation, gender identity, gender expression or HIV status. It supports and assists LGBTQ+ /HIV+ refugee claimants in the Lower Mainland through facilitated peer support, referrals, system navigation and accompaniment. It stewards the Rainbow Refugee Assistance Project which has enabled LGBTQ+ communities in more than 14 municipalities across Canada to sponsor LGBTQ+ refugees.

## UCV NEIGHBOURHOOD GROUPS:

- New Westminster: Rob Dainow ([rdainow@shaw.ca](mailto:rdainow@shaw.ca))
- East Vancouver: Mairy Beam ([mairyelesbea@gmail.com](mailto:mairyelesbea@gmail.com)) and Paul Prescod ([paul@prescod.net](mailto:paul@prescod.net))
- Richmond/South of the Fraser: Drew Lemen ([lemen.drew@gmail.com](mailto:lemen.drew@gmail.com))
- Westside: Jeannie Corsi – contact [ucvconnect@gmail.com](mailto:ucvconnect@gmail.com)
- Fairview/False Creek – Vivian Davidson ([vdavidsonsc@gmail.com](mailto:vdavidsonsc@gmail.com))

Is your neighbourhood not listed? Would you like to meet Unitarians who live near you? Contact Mary Bennett [ucvconnect@gmail.com](mailto:ucvconnect@gmail.com) for help at connecting with your neighbours.

*Do you receive our e-newsletters? If not, please go to [vancouverunitarians.ca/newsletter](http://vancouverunitarians.ca/newsletter) to view recent newsletters (and sign up to receive in your inbox.)*

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## THANK YOU TO THE SUPPORT TEAM TODAY:

**COFFEE SET UP AND SERVERS**

Karen Hertz, Pat MacBain, Katy Sayers

**FLOWERS**

Diane Donaldson

**LIBRARY AND LITERATURE STALL**

Frances Anderson, David Buchanan

**SOUND**

Kaelyn Elfert

**GREETERS**

Shirley McLeod, Carolyn Grant, Denise Nereida

**LUNCH**

Love Soup!

**WELCOME AND INFORMATION TABLE**

Karen Brumelle, Paul Wright

**CARETAKER(S)**

Paul Nash

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**Next Sunday Service: October 28, 2018**

*Encountering Our Ancestors XIV*

Rev. Steven Epperson



## **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.*

## **MINISTER AND STAFF**

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