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## Ways to Get Involved at First UU

Contact the office at [office@uurochmn.org](mailto:office@uurochmn.org) to stay informed by signing up for our weekly newsletter (eNews).

### Annual Mike Podulke Service Auction

**Saturday, April 30 at First UU**

Festivities begin at 6pm

Raffle, Silent Auction, and Fixed Price Items are only online from April 24-29.

### Bluebell Walk on the Mayowood Trail

**Sunday, May 1 ~ 2 pm**

**Mayowood Trailhead on Mayowood Rd. SW (off of Salem Road)**

Meet your UU hosts for a leisurely, family-friendly walk on the paved bike path to see carpets of bluebells, with the option to go deeper into the woods on small trails. Questions?

[RobinESTaylor@gmail.com](mailto:RobinESTaylor@gmail.com)

### Warbler Watch

**Saturday, May 7 ~ 8 am**

**Kutzky Park 400 16th Ave NW Rochester, MN 55901**

Join Mike Degerstrom and Joe Lobl at Kutzky Park with your binoculars and bird books. We will look for migrating warblers in one of the state's best spots along the migration path. Option to go out for coffee at Fiddlehead Coffee afterward. Questions? [RobinESTaylor@gmail.com](mailto:RobinESTaylor@gmail.com)

### Outdoor Property Workday

**Saturday, May 21 ~ 9am-12pm**

**Church Grounds**

Coffee, Lemonade and Treats provided! Come help with clean-up outside at church. All are welcome, no registration or sign-up required.

### Creative Arts Series

**Saturday, May 28**

**10 am - 12 pm**

**Commons**

These sessions are simple artistic or craft classes for any of our adult members and friends of our congregation to attend.

May 28 Meditative Color Mandalas with Melissa Egger

Contact the office ([office@uurochmn.org](mailto:office@uurochmn.org)) or go to our website ([uurochmn.org](http://uurochmn.org)) for more information on these events.

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## FIRST UNITARIAN UNIVERSALIST CHURCH

April Theme: Awakening

April 24, 2022 – The Earth Awakes Again

Gathering Music Austin Ferguson

Introit

Welcome Rev. Luke Stevens-Royer

Chalice Lighting Katrina Milbrandt & Ann Lien

Music *Sunshine in the Rain* Songa

Time for All Ages Derik Robertson

Children's Benediction

Lyrics: *May Peace surround you, May Love surround you, as you go, as you go on your way*

Welcome New Members

\*Hymn #1 *Prayer for this House*

Embracing Meditation Melissa Egger

Prayer Rev. Luke Stevens-Royer

Offertory Music *Ta He Thwa Ne Hey*

Reflection John Helmers

Music *The Cabin Song*

Reflection Ani Bulbulian

\*Hymn 163 *For the Earth Forever Turning*

Benediction

Postlude *To the Good*

\* Please rise in body or spirit.

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**THIS MORNING'S PARTICIPANTS...**

***The Earth Awakes Again***

**Service Participants:**

Rev. Luke Stevens-Royer, Ani Bulbulian, Melissa Egger, John Helmers, Derik Robertson, and music from Austin Ferguson, and Joe Mish

**Guest Musicians:**

Songa ~ Featuring Rose Mish

Rooted in the Nashville songwriting tradition, Songa creates an Americana sound with influences of folk, blues, country, and jazz. The trio includes Mario Friedel, harmony vocals, guitar, banjo, harmonica; Sherry Friedel on vocals, guitar and uke, and Rose Mish on fiddle and harmony vocals.

**Today's Flowers** are from Aleta Borrud in celebration of their wedding anniversary – 29 years of marriage.

**Offertory:**

**April's justice partner is Revolutionary Earth**

Revolutionary Earth works to restore a natural ecosystem in Rochester that rejuvenates soil, reduces pollution, rehabilitates pollinators, and replaces the current food system with one that focuses on the health and well-being of everyone, starting with those who are most food insecure.

If you have an offering, please place it in an offertory box as you are leaving. Thank you.

Use the QR code to go directly to our giving page on our website:



**FOR YOUR SPRING CALENDAR – VISIT OUR WEBSITE FOR MORE INFORMATION**  
**ALL EVENTS ARE IN PERSON UNLESS OTHERWISE STATED**

**Wednesday, April 27**  
**Saturday, April 30**

Forum – Film: "Racially Charged" ~ Commons  
**In-Person** Annual Service Auction

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**WELCOME TO FIRST UNITARIAN UNIVERSALIST CHURCH OF ROCHESTER, MN**

*Nurturing Spiritual Growth & Practicing Justice since 1866*

**HEARING ASSISTANCE & LARGE-PRINT BULLETINS**

We have hearing assistant devices and large-print bulletins available for Sunday services. Please see an usher for these items or for assistance.

**FAITH DEVELOPMENT FOR CHILDREN & YOUTH**

New families are always welcome in classes. *Families can recess together after the Time for All Ages*, or can connect with Amy Nelson or Derik Robertson, listed below.

**NURSERY CARE**

Nursery care is available each Sunday, and for many church events, for ages 6 months – 5 years. The nursery is located up the small incline past the main lobby.

**LIVE VIDEO OF THE SERVICE OUTSIDE OF THE SANCTUARY**

If you or your children need more space or a coloring table, there are monitors with live video of the service near the lobby, and in the Commons below the Sanctuary.

**GETTING INVOLVED**

If you would like to find meaningful ways to serve in the church, get involved in classes or groups, or consider becoming a member, please contact Melissa Egger, listed below.

**CARING CONCERNS**

If you have a joy or sorrow you would like to have shared during the service, or would like to connect with our caring committee, please contact Melissa Egger, listed below.

**SOCIAL MEDIA & WEBSITE**

Find the church calendar, service videos, and other information about the life of the church on our website at [www.uurochmn.org](http://www.uurochmn.org) and on Facebook: *First Unitarian Universalist Church-Rochester, MN*.

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