
Ways to Get Involved at First UU

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

Blessing of the Animals

Sunday, October 9 ~ 3 pm in the Courtyard

Come for this tradition of animal blessing in the spirit of St. Francis, honoring our pets and non-human companions. All types of animals (who are safe around others) are welcome!

Trunk-or-Treat

Sunday, October 30 ~ 4-5 pm ~ First UU Lower Lot

Come support and celebrate our children by creating a fun TRUNK or TREAT row in our parking lot. Decorate your car/trunk and enjoy the kids' costumes as they stop by each car to trick or treat. Contact Amy Nelson (dre@uurochmn.org) if you are interested in decorating your car/trunk.

Annual Mike Podulke Service Auction

Saturday, November 5 ~ Live Auction

Silent Auction, Raffle, and Fixed Price Events will be offered ONLINE

Chili Cookoff and Corniest Cornbread Contests

Supper 6:00 pm in Commons

Live Auction at 7:00 pm in Sanctuary

Accepting donations now!

Contact the office (office@uurochmn.org) or go to our website (uurochmn.org) for more information on these events.

Building Our Future: Beyond Ourselves

If you're new to the conversation or need a refresher, check out our "Summer Quick Guide" with this QR Code (or go to www.uurochmn.org/buildingourfuture) about discerning the future of our building and grounds. Forums and updates will be available this coming fall.



FIRST UNITARIAN UNIVERSALIST CHURCH

October Theme: Courage

October 9, 2022 – *Beginning Again (and again)*

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| Gathering Music | | Emily Whitcomb |
| Welcome | | Rev. Luke Stevens-Royer |
| *Hymn | <i>Gonna Keep On Moving Forward</i> | |
| Chalice Lighting | | |
| Music | | |
| Time for All Ages | | Amy Nelson |
| Music | | |
| Reflection | | Gus Braga |
| *Hymn #1009 | <i>Meditation on Breathing</i> | |
| Embracing Meditation | | Melissa Egglar |
| Prayer | | |
| Interlude | | |
| Reading | <i>Imaginary Conversation</i> by Linda Pastan | |
| Offertory Music | | |
| Sermon | <i>Beginning Again (and again)</i> | Rev. Luke Stevens-Royer |
| *Hymn | <i>Call Down a Blessing</i> | |
| Benediction | | |
| Postlude | | |

* Please rise in body or spirit.

THIS MORNING'S PARTICIPANTS...

Beginning Again (and again)

Service Participants:

Rev. Luke Stevens-Royer, Gus Braga, Amy Nelson, Melissa Egglar, and music from Emily Whitcomb

Guest Musician

Emily Whitcomb is the daughter of a luthier and a seasoned music lesson check writer, Emily got her start performing her original songs at folk music festivals across the Midwest. Emily's songs showcase a wide variety of subject matters and highlight human emotions in a poetic and profound manner. Her songs are primarily based on her own experiences, which she hopes will provide comfort and connection to the listener.

Offertory:

Monthly Justice Partner - Updated Offering Practice

We donate our *entire* offering collection most Sundays to our monthly justice partners, instead of splitting the collection 50/50. We will hold occasional collections for the church itself throughout the year. We hope this practice will help increase the support we can offer to our justice partners, as we strive to deepen our practice of justice and generosity.

October's Justice Partner is Immigration Justice Fund

The Immigration Justice Fund provides support to individuals and families navigating refugee, immigration, and asylum processes. This fund is an ongoing fund of First UU Church and supports various initiatives, including current support for an asylum-seeking family.

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



WELCOME TO FIRST UNITARIAN UNIVERSALIST CHURCH OF ROCHESTER, MN

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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 4 YRS – 5TH GRADE & YOUTH 6-12TH GRADE

Children's Faith Development is during service and children can recess after the Time for All Ages. Youth are invited to either service and to also attend Faith Development at 10:10 am. 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 – 3 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.

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 Egglar, 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 Egglar, 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 and on Facebook: *First Unitarian Universalist Church-Rochester, MN*.

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