



**The Man, The Dream, The Movement
with Rev. Kim Mason
January 15th, 2023
Order of Service**

Ringing of the Bowl Pam Geppert

Welcome and Announcements Pam Geppert

Prelude Hush **First Unitarian Choir**

Call into Worship Rev. Kim Mason

Hymn #58 Ring Out, Wild Bells

*Ring out, wild bells, to the wild, wild sky,
the flying cloud, the frosty light:
the year is dying in the night;
ring out, wild bells, and let it die.*

*Ring out the old, ring in the new,
ring, happy bells, across the snow:
the year is going, let it go;
ring out the false, ring in the true.*

*Ring out the grief that saps the mind
for those that here we see no more;
ring out the feud of rich and poor;
ring in redress to humankind.*

*Ring out false pride in place and blood,
the civic slander and the spite;
ring in the love of truth and right;
ring in the common love of good.*

Lighting the Chalice

Pam Geppert

Sung Response

Come as we light this candle of memory.

Come as we light this candle of hope.

Come as we light this candle of reverence.

Come into the flame. Come into the flame.

Words and Music by Tony Fathman

The Man, The Dream, The Movement: Part I

Rev. Kim Mason and Pam Geppert

Joys & Concerns

Submit Joys and Concerns online at <https://forms.gle/WiHevqVTkCc3dWmC7>

Pastoral Prayer

Rev. Kim Mason

Sung Response #123 *Spirit of Life*

Spirit of life, come unto me.

Sing in my heart all the stirrings of compassion.

Blow in the wind, rise in the sea;

Move in the hand, giving life the shape of justice.

Roots hold me close; wings set me free;

Spirit of life, come to me, come to me.

Music and lyrics by Carolyn McDade

Pies from Nowhere, by Dee Romito

Danielle Kozemczak and Caitlyn Hill

Call for the Offering

Rev. Kim Mason

Text the dollar amount you wish to give to this number: 833-649-0088

Offertory

We Shall Overcome

First Unitarian Choir

Let the Children March, by Monica Clark Robinson

Danielle Kozemczak, Jasmine Ratliff and
Beverly Ratliff

MLK Day Activity

Rev. Kim Mason

The Man, The Dream, The Movement: Part IV

Rev. Kim Mason, Danielle Kozemczak and
Pam Geppert

Closing Hymn #149 **Lift Every Voice and Sing**

Lift every voice and sing, till earth and heaven ring,

ring with the harmonies of liberty;

let our rejoicing rise high as the listening skies,

let it resound loud as the rolling sea.

*Sing a song full of the faith that the dark past has taught us;
sing a song full of the hope that the present has brought us;
facing the rising sun of our new day begun,
let us march on till victory is won.*

*Stony the road we trod, bitter the chastening rod,
felt in the days when hope unborn had died;
yet with a steady beat, have not our weary feet
come to the place for which our fathers sighed?
We have come over a way that with tears has been watered;
we have come, treading our path thru the blood of the slaughtered,
out from the gloomy past, till now we stand at last
where the white gleam of our bright star is cast.*

*God of our weary years, God of our silent tears,
thou who hast brought us thus far on the way;
thou who hast by thy might led us into the light,
keep us forever in the path, we pray.
Lest our feet stray from the places, our God, where we met thee;
lest our hearts drunk with the wine of the world, we forget thee;
shadowed beneath thy hand, may we forever stand,
true to our God, true to our native land.*

Closing Words

Rev. Kim Mason

Postlude *Fugue sur les Trompette* by Couperin

Earl Naylor, Organist

Serving Us This Morning

Ushers: Stephany Kniep and Kathy Wire

Greeters: Kevin Kellogg and Susan Lammert

AV Assistant: Greg Cotter

The flowers today are given by Stan and Claire Birge in memory of Elizabeth Birge Curren, loving and beloved sister, who left us on October 28, 2022.

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**Welcome to this religious community
where we affirm the dignity, worth, and freedom
of all who enter our doors.**

Here we seek to live together in relationship and respect so that we may embrace and celebrate our differences. Understanding that we need not think alike to love alike, our religious values invite us to a

shared journey of truth and meaning. Sincerity and connection guide our religious community, and call us into deeper association with ourselves and our world.

We welcome people of all ages, races, classes, ethnicities, abilities, sexual orientations and gender identities. First Unitarian Church of St. Louis is a *Welcoming Congregation* committed to the inclusion of LGBTQIAA+ individuals, families and communities in the life of our congregation. We are a *Green Sanctuary Church*, committed to sustainable practices and ethical consumption on our building and grounds.

First Unitarian Church of St. Louis Yellow Pages

At Church This Week!

Sunday January 15th

10:00 am to 11:00 am Worship Service - In Person & Online

11:30 am to 12:30 pm Active Hope Project (Chapel)

11:30 am to 12:30pm Young Adult Group (Dodson)

Monday January 16th

Office Closed

1:00 pm to 2:30 pm Crouch/Feinberg Covenant Group (Clark Room)

Tuesday January 17th

11:00 am to 12:00 pm Women's Alliance Online Meeting

6:30 pm to 9:30 pm Yokota/Franklin Covenant Group (online)

6:30 pm to 8:00 pm Policy Board Meeting (online)

6:30 pm to 7:30 pm Auction Run Through (Sanctuary)

Wednesday January 18th

7:30 pm to 9:00 pm Choir Rehearsal (Sanctuary)

Thursday January 19th

6:30 pm to 8:00 pm Siegrist/Milligan Covenant Group (online)

Saturday January 21st

5:30 pm to 8:30 pm Mid-Winter Meeting (Fellowship Hall)

Sunday January 22nd

10:00 am to 11:00 am Worship Service - In Person & Online

11:30 am to 12:30 pm Welcoming Congregations Group (Dodson Room)

Sunday January 15th 2023 10am

The Man, The Dream, The Movement with Rev. Kim Mason

We honor the legacy of Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King Jr this Sunday with a multigenerational service that tells the story of his life and the civil rights movement.

Read this Sunday's Order of Service (<https://tinyurl.com/325aapyw>)

Watch this service on YouTube! (<https://youtu.be/KiystwovEw0>)

This Sunday's flowers are given by Melanie and Tony Fathman in honor of the civil rights movement.

Upcoming Services

January Theme - Wintering

Sunday January 22nd 2023 10am - Ignite the New Year with Rev. Kim Mason

Sunday January 29th 2023 10am - Perspectives on Wintering with Members of the Worship Committee

Read the January 2023 Touchstones Project Journal

(<https://www.firstuustlouis.org/sites/default/files/Touchstones%20Journal%20January%202023%20Wintering%20nf.pdf>)

Don't forget to turn in your Guest at Your Table Boxes this Sunday January 15th! You can take it to the sanctuary and bring it up during the offertory.

2023 Auction - Rekindle the Flame

Saturday February 4th 5:30pm

Tickets on Sale Now! (<https://paybee.io/hybrid-event/firstustl/2>)

Church Events

Sunday January 15th 11:30am

Active Hope Project Listening Circle

Childcare will be provided!

Part of our congregation's mission statement is "advancing justice" and the Policy Board has been discussing how to fulfill that part of our mission for months. The result was the Active Hope Project. During its initial phase church officers are gathering information to determine a social action issue that our congregation can focus on together. To accommodate families, childcare will be available during this listening circle. We hope you can make it!

Young Adult Group (Clark Room)

Sunday, January 15th 11:30 am

Put it on your calendar, the Young Adult Group will be holding the 3rd Sunday monthly meeting in the Clark Room & on Zoom on Sunday, January 15, 2023 at 11:30 am. Grab coffee & a bring money for a donut all from our fellowship hall. This month's meeting will be as informal as last month's meeting. For our parents out there, please consider stopping by the meeting with littles in tow. You are welcome & wanted in the planning of this community!

The next meeting will be held on February 19, 2023, in the Clark Room at 11:30 am.

We look forward to seeing you there!!

Zoom Meeting: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84491371998?pwd=Tml6My8rSFYydmE5cHJTOUtTNlpUdz09>

Meeting ID: 844 9137 1998

Passcode: 103224

2023 Mid-Winter Meeting

Saturday January 21st (5:30 - 8:30 pm)

Come together for a potluck meal and an update from the Policy Board.

Sign Up for the Potluck Below -- suggested dishes: Last Names A-C (main dish), D-G (vegetarian main dish), H-L (salad), M-P side dish, Q-V (dessert), W-Z (appetizer)

Sign-Up for Mid-Winter Meeting Potluck Dinner

(https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSeFX8Fx9Y3_03aHhKYY03rc_LjY_pLDtyg1tIAyTh0TL_gOgQ/viewform?usp=sf_link)

Welcoming Congregations Meet & Greet

Sunday, January 22, 11:30 AM

Dodson Room

Members of the LGBTQIA+ community and allies are invited for a meet and greet to discuss the post-pandemic reboot of the Welcoming Congregations Committee. Gather with new and old friends to envision how First Unitarian can support our Welcoming Congregation designation.

Newcomer Chat (Dodson Room)

Sunday January 29th 11:15 am to 12:15 pm

Are you new to the First Church Community? Want to learn more about Unitarian Universalism and this congregation? Plan to attend the Newcomer Chat and meet with Rev. Kim and members of the congregation. Hope you can make it!

Learn about the St. Louis Air Quality Project

Sunday Jan. 29th at 11:30 AM (Hope Chapel)

Ever wonder what the air quality monitor on the west roof of our building was for? Join us for this presentation and learn more about this project, including it's goal to promote health equity by addressing air quality and what has been found out so far about real-time St. Louis air quality and potential next steps. We will be updated by Beth Gutzler (the chair of the Metropolitan Congregations United Interfaith Environmental Justice Task Force) and several of the Wash. U. scientists involved in the data analysis of the project.

Please send photos, event details, announcements, etc. for this newsletter to dkozem@firstuustlouis.org (mailto:dkozem@firstuustlouis.org?subject=Enews%20Content)

Deadline for Enews announcements: Thursday, noon

To view our regularly held events, including those sponsored by the church and other organizations please visit our calendar.

View our Calendar of Events! (<https://www.firstuustlouis.org/calendar/month>)

Joys and Concerns

Concerns

We send our condolences to...

Kait Huelsman and family, on the recent passing of her father

Stephen Bolen and family, on the recent passing of his father

*We send healing thoughts to **Tony Munie**, as he recovers from a recent surgery*

Joys and Concerns? (<https://forms.gle/YvVrdTYzdDuasJvo8>)

Upcoming Designated Collection

Sunday, January 15th

Unitarian Universalist Service Committee (<https://www.uusc.org/>)

The Unitarian Universalist Service Committee has been supporting human rights and social justice projects all around the world for over eighty years. Through a combination of advocacy, education, and partnerships with grassroots organizations, UUSC promotes economic rights, advances environmental justice, defends civil liberties, and preserves the rights of people left behind in times of humanitarian crises. Nominated by Kimberly Perry

Religious Education this Sunday...

This Sunday January 15th 10am

The Man, The Dream, The Movement with Rev. Kim Mason

We will honor the legacy of Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King Jr this Sunday with multigenerational service that tells the story of his life and the civil rights movement. All children and youth are encouraged to attend this multigenerational service. The nursery will be open for loving childcare.

Two Stories for All Ages!

This Sunday we will hear two children's stories that show a first person perspective of the civil rights movement!

Pies from Nowhere: How Georgia Gilmore Sustained the Montgomery Bus Boycott, by Dee Romito (<https://www.deeromito.com/pies-from-nowhere.html>)

Let the Children March, by Monica Clark Robinson

(<https://www.barnesandnoble.com/w/let-the-children-march-monica-clark-robinson/1125350295>)

MLK Jr. Day Multi-Generational Activity

During service all attendees will receive a small paper fish. We are asking attendees to write down an action they plan on taking towards social justice. After service staff will create a display with the responses! This activity is to help us understand how it takes all of us working together to bring about the beloved community Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. envisioned. The civil rights movement of the 1960s was the result of many people coming together. As King said "In all of our actions we must stick together. Unity is the great need of the hour, and if we are united we can get many of the things that we not only desire but which we justly deserve."

Check out RE This Week! (https://mailchi.mp/firstuustlouis.org/re-this-week-sunday-01_15_23)

Announcements

The Opp Shop

The Opp Shop in Fellowship Hall is experimenting with having monthly themes. The theme for January is Table Games and Puzzles. Please come shop!

2022/2023 UU Common Read - Discussion Group in March

The UU Common Read builds community in our congregations and our movement by giving diverse people a shared focus for reflection and action. This year's common read is Mistakes and Miracles: Congregations on the Road to Multiculturalism by Nancy Palmer Jones and Karin Lin. This book shares how five diverse congregations encounter frustrations and disappointments, as well as hope and wonder, once they commit to the journey to create multicultural, antiracist Beloved Community. Towards Justice will host a discussion group in March, dates and time TBD. You can order the Paperback through the UUA Giftshop or listen to the audiobook online.

Buy Mistakes and Miracles Online

(https://www.uuabookstore.org/Mistakes-and-Miracles-P18521.aspx?_gl=1*15rnz08*_ga*NzI0NjAxOTI2LjE2NTgxNzUyNTc.*_ga_CN7F7RET4F*MTY3MzY1MDYwNS4xNDMuMS4xNjc2NjUxNTc5LjAuMC4w)

Listen to the Audiobook for Free! (<https://www.uua.org/read/mistakes-and-miracles-audio-book>)

Help Keep the Little Pantry Full!

Located in the center of the church parking lot our Little Free Pantry has shelf stable staples along with basic necessities for our local friends and neighbors. To learn more about our Little Free Pantry, check out this video (<https://youtu.be/dUE0ChEjgII>) .

We welcome individuals, covenant groups and committees to take turns stocking the pantry by being responsible for checking pantry during a particular week and supplementing the contents. There is no set list of what to buy, just give what you can. The Sign-up Sheet contains suggestions and "how to" instructions as well as "what not to buy" recommendations.

2023 Little Food Pantry Sign-Up Sheet

(https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1k_THEz0ChOHzzYQYKRfHiRh9ZBhepbe4dlwlutOQhs0/edit?usp=sharing)

UUA News

Join the UPLIFT monthly gatherings focused on trans, nonbinary, and other not (completely or at all) cis UUs. Join us to connect with other trans/nonbinary UUs and co-create support and community across our faith. All you need to bring is yourself (and other trans/nonbinary friends, if you'd like)!

NOTE: This space is intentionally multi-generational. It is open to and welcoming of trans/nonbinary elders as well as children, youth, and young adults. Standard UUA online safety measures apply to ensure all people under 18 are able to attend. We're glad to have you here!

Click Here for More Information and to Register

(<https://www.uua.org/lgbtq/transnb?emci=42adb71e-0a92-ed11-9d7b-00224832e811&emdi=613ae993-1692-ed11-9d7b-00224832e811&ceid=25298931>)

Community News

#DEMOCRACY 101

TUESDAY, JANUARY 31, 2023 7:00pm - 8:30pm

CENTRAL REFORM CONGREGATION,

5020 Waterman Blvd, Saint Louis, MO 63108

FEATURING:

*2023 HOT BILL PANEL with Rabbi Daniel Bogard (Central Reform Congregation), Heather Fleming (Missouri Equity Education Partnership), Denise Lieberman (Missouri Voter Protection Coalition) and Sara Ruiz (Ashrei Foundation)

*A primer and Inside Secrets of the Missouri State Legislature (#MOLEG) with Hon. Stacey Newman (ProgressWomen) Tickets \$10, Students \$5.

Co-sponsored by Ashrei Foundation, Central Reform Congregation and ProgressWomen

Register for #Democracy 101 Now! (<https://secure.actblue.com/donate/democracy101>)

You can schedule pastoral appointments with Rev. Kim at your convenience. Click the button below and choose the date that works best for you - no account necessary.

Schedule an Appointment with Rev. Kim Mason (<https://calendly.com/kmason-7>)

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Our Mission

We strive to be a welcoming congregation, inspiring lives of loving kindness and integrity by nurturing spirituality, building community, and advancing justice.

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