

All Souls Church, Unitarian

You've been looking for a church like this.

January 29, 2023

Order of Service

Rev. Rob Keithan: *The Music of Justice*



Welcome Friends!

Music often plays a vital role in the struggle for liberation. Protest songs are a rallying cry against oppression. Songs of lament give voice to suffering, offering solace to the soul in hard times. Others lift our spirits with an imagination of what's possible. Some do all three, or more! This service will celebrate the power of music, and honor Lenard Starks in his final Sunday as Director of All Souls Jubilee Singers after more than 25 years. All are invited to a reception luncheon after the service in Pierce Hall.

All are invited forward to light candles of joys and concerns before the service.
If you are joining us virtually, please light a candle in your home or share in the Zoom chat.

Processional

Thuma Mina/Shosholoza!
Traditional South African songs for guidance, encouragement, determination and freedom

Jubilee Singers
All Souls Junior Choir
Darrick Jackson and
Ben Zitelli, vocal leads

(ZULU)

**Thuma mina, thuma mina.
Thuma mina so mandla.**

Shosholoza!

**THE FREEDOM OF THE PEOPLE
IS A TRAIN NO ONE CAN STOP!**

**Shosholoza
kulezo ntaba
Sitimela siphume South Africa.**

**Wena uya baleka
kulezo ntaba
Sitimela siphume South Africa.**

(ENGLISH paraphrase)

Send me, Lord
Lead me, Lord

Move forward quickly!

**THE FREEDOM OF THE PEOPLE
IS A TRAIN NO ON CAN STOP!**

Move forward quickly
Through the mountains
Train from South Africa

You are moving away
Through the mountains
Train from South Africa

Today's musicians include:

David Cole – guitar

Corey Null – bass

Nicole Rumeau – vocals

Lenard Starks – piano

Call To Worship & Chalice Lighting

Rev. Rob Keithan

Opening Hymn

#36 *When In Our Music*

Welcome & Beholding

Jana Owens

Anthem

Ain'-a That Good News!
African American Spiritual arranged by William L. Dawson

Jubilee Singers

I got a crown up in-a the Kingdom, Ain'-a that good news! Ain'-a that good news! (x2)
I'm a-goin' to lay down this world, Goin'-a shoulder up-uh my cross,
Goin'-a take it home-a to my Jesus, Ain'-a that good news, good news!

I got a harp up in-a the Kingdom, Ain'-a that good news! Ain'-a that good news! (x2)
I'm a-goin' to lay down this world, Goin'-a shoulder up-uh my cross,
Goin'-a take it home-a to my Jesus, Ain'-a that good news, good news!

I got a robe up in-a the Kingdom, Ain'-a that good news! Ain'-a that good news! (x2)
I'm a-goin' to lay down this world, Goin'-a shoulder up-uh my cross,
Goin'-a take it home-a to my Jesus, Ain'-a that good news, good news!

I got a Saviour in-a the Kingdom, Ain'-a that good news! Ain'-a that good news! (x2)
I'm a-goin' to lay down this world, Goin'-a shoulder up-uh my cross,
Goin'-a take it home-a to my Jesus, Ain'-a that good news, good news!

Good news, good news, good news, my Lord!
A-ain'-a that good news, good news, My Lord, A-ain'-a that good news!

Helpful Information:

Assisted Listening Devices
are available at the front
desk.

This service will be
streamed on Zoom,
recorded, and posted on
our website.

Views of the seated
congregation may be
visible.

Hymn 123

Spirit of Life

Fuente de amor, ven hacia mi
Y al corazón cántale tu compasión
Sopla al volar, sube en la mar
Hasta moldear la justicia de la vida
Arraigame, libérame
Fuente de amor, ven a mi, ven a mi

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.

Moment of Silence

Sermon

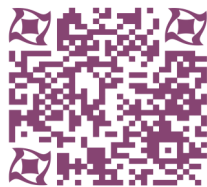
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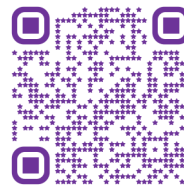
Offering

Jana Owens

All Souls now has a Share-the-Plate Collection, where 50% of all non-pledge contributions go to an organization we want to support. The January group is SACReD, the Spiritual Alliance of Communities for Reproductive Dignity; a national alliance working to advance reproductive justice.



Scan the QR Code to go directly to make a gift for today's plate collection!
Or text "ascu" to 73256 to make a digital donation today!



Make or increase your pledge to help All Souls improve our overall financial health!

Offertory

The Human Heart

Words by Lynn Ahrens, music by Stephen Flaherty

Jubilee Singers
Eliza Carney and
Ann Watters - soloists

Oo__
Oo__ dah-o, dah-o, dah-o, dah
Oo__ dah-o, dah-o, dah-o, dah

The courage of a dreamer, the innocence of youth,
The failures and the foolishness that lead us to the truth;
The hopes that make us happy,
the hopes that don't come true
And all the love that ever was I see this all in you.
You are part, part of the human heart (you are part).

You are part of all who took the journey
and managed to endure,

The ones who knew such tenderness,
the ones who felt so sure;
The ones who came before you,
the others yet to come
And those who you will teach it to
and those you learned it from.
You are part, part of the human heart (you are part).

This is the gift I give: through your love you'll live forever.
You are part, part of the human heart forever.
You are part (you are part, you are part)
Tonight!
Tonight!

Ceremony of Appreciation for Lenard Starks



Benediction

Rev. Rob Keithan

Benediction in Music

Sir Duke
By Stevie Wonder

Jubilee Singers
Nicole Rumeau and
Gabriella Siegfried - vocal leads

Music is a world within itself
with a language we all understand,
With an equal opportunity for all
to sing and dance and clap their hands.
But just because a record has a groove
don't make it in the groove.
But you can tell right away from letter "A"
when the people start to move.

They can feel it all over.
They can feel it all over, people.
They can feel it all over.
They can feel it all over, people. Go!

Music knows it is and always will be
one of the things that life just won't quit.
But here are some of music's pioneers
that time will not allow us to forget:
For there's Basie, Miller, Satchmo,
and the king of all, Sir Duke.
And with a voice like Ella's ringin' out
there's no way the band can lose.

You can feel it all over.
You can feel it all over, people.
You can feel it all over.
You can feel it all over, people.

Today & Upcoming Events

Mindful Souls | January 29, 2022 | After Service/RE | Classroom 3

Mindful Souls meets this Sunday in classroom 3 after service/RE for group meditation and mindful discussion.

AAPI Souls | January 29, 2022 | Pierce Hall

Meets on the 4th Sunday. This week we will meet to sit together during the luncheon in Pierce Hall after service.

Science and the Search for God – A Book Discussion | January 31, 2022 | 7:30 pm | Eaton Room

With exciting images from the James Webb Telescope in the headlines, there is a book to read now to find some shape to the questions that naturally follow: Rev. Gary Kowalski's "Science and the Search for God." It is a huge and eternal search for the greatest questions, and UU Minister Kowalski opens a way to think about them for each of us. We'll meet weekly on Tuesday nights in the Eaton Room beginning January 31 through the end of February at 7:30 pm for 5 ninety-minute discussions to discuss the book chapters. The book is available for purchase from Bookshop.org or Amazon. Contact Laura Dely if interested: laura.dely@gmail.com

Young Souls Have a Happy Hour | February 8, 2022 | 5:30 pm

Join us for a happy hour ahead of All Souls' monthly candlelit, music-filled Vespers service. Arrive at Wonderland Ballroom at 5:30 or whenever you can, and we'll walk to the church together for the 7pm service. Happy Hour at Wonderland Ballroom lasts until 6:30pm

Vespers | February 8, 2022 | 7:30 pm | Hybrid

Please join us in-person or online for our Vespers service this month! Our Vespers service mirrors Taizé-style attention to silence, holy words, prayer, and singing, but has also evolved to include other meditative traditions such as yogic singing and Buddhist chanting. Followed by a time for community gathering. Every second Wednesday of the month.

See the church website calendar for Zoom login information.

Welcome to All Souls Church!

Welcome, one and all, to our Unitarian Universalist religious community. We welcome you, whatever your tradition, gender, race, class, sexual orientation, ability, or age. Here, may you move in the ways of truthfulness, service, and peace.

First time? Fill out a guest card (in each pew) and drop it in the collection plate or at the front desk. Then join us in Pierce Hall for coffee hour, or on the same Zoom link after service to meet and greet with others of the congregation for a social hour.

Attending with children? We have an amazing Religious Education Program for Children and Youth, from nursery care all the way through High School, with in-person and virtual options.

Interested in All Souls, its history, and Unitarian Universalism? Attend an About All Souls session on the first Sunday of each month after service in the Longfellow Room. For more info, contact Membership Manager Gary Penn (gpenn@allsouls.ws; 202.517.1465).

Have other questions? Stop by the front desk in the lobby to talk with our knowledgeable desk staff to learn more about the building and things that are happening today!

January's Theme is Imagination



About All Souls

February 5, 2023 | After Service | Longfellow

Want to find out more about the church and Unitarian Universalism? Join Membership Manager Gary Penn after worship in the Longfellow Room (upstairs) for a casual conversation about All Souls. Can't make it, but have questions about the church?

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Email Gary: GPenn@allsouls.ws



Green Souls
February 5, 2023 |
After Service | Longfellow

Are you interested in green initiatives, recycling, composting, reducing our carbon footprint, and other environmental causes big or small?

We are gathering those who are interested in revitalizing Green Souls for a Meet & Greet after worship on Sunday, February 5. Join us for a group discussion on these efforts!

Can't make it? Email:

Rev. Rob Keithan: RKeithan@allsouls.ws

Souls in the Center
Quarterly Meeting
February 12, 2023
After Service | Tupper

We're coming together after service in the Tupper Room to check in with one another and to plan out some upcoming events! Whether you've been coming a while or you're new to All Souls and the Souls in the Center, you're welcome to join us!



Rev. Bill Sinkford: What Keeps Us Safe?

February 5, 2023 | 10:30 am | Hybrid

Mainstream politics is certain that "Defund the Police" was a wrong turn. Concern for Public Safety is far too widely shared. In the spiritual space, safety and protection are always in tension with transformation and growth. Does our faith ask us to look for safety? Or does it call us to use our power for change?

Join us for this ASL interpreted worship service with a Story for All Ages, and music from Jen Hayman and the All Souls Choir!



Rev. Bill Sinkford & Traci Hughes-Trotter: As Love Show Us How

February 12, 2023 | 10:30 am | Hybrid

*Wake, now, my senses, and hear the earth call;
feel the deep power of being in all;
keep, with the web of creation your vow,
giving, receiving as love shows us how.*

"Giving, receiving as love shows us how." The familiar hymn makes the case. The Spirit of Life, however we know and name it, calls us to wake, calls us to feel the power in our individual lives but also the possibility when we come together as we do in this church called All Souls.

The Spirit of Life calls us to keep our covenant: To receive inspiration and energy, solace and support. But also, to give of our time, talent and treasure.

Join us for this ASL interpreted worship service, with music provided by Jubilee Singers with guest director, Francisco Ruiz.