



Community Matters

First Church Unitarian, Littleton

January 10, 2021

Join us Sunday, January 10 at 10:00 for “Imagine a More Perfect Union”

I look forward to being together again in community after this difficult week for the United States of America. We will continue the January Soul Matters theme of imagination with “Imagine a More Perfect Union”. **Once again, we are back to YouTube Live for our service.** You no longer need to wait for the Sunday morning email for the worship service link. Simply go to <http://youtube.com/FirstChurchUnitarianLittleton/live> and the live video will come up! If you have trouble with that, you can also go to <https://www.youtube.com/FirstChurchUnitarianLittleton/> and click on the video that says "live". (If YouTube Live isn't working, Plan B is that we will use Facebook Live and send out the new link on the listserv.) Usually the live video stream begins around 9:45, but there won't be much to see until 9:57 or so when the gathering video starts. **There will again be a (Zoom) Joys and Concerns and Virtual Coffee Hour after the service** and that link information will also be included in the Sunday morning listserv email. Barring something unforeseen, the Joys and Concerns link will be the same each week:
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You can also use the Meeting ID and Password if you try to “Join Meeting” in Zoom. I hope to "see" you then.

With love and hope,
Rev. Lara



January theme: Imagination

Our faith invites us to embrace our Blue Promise. We believe in our own ideas about what is right and wrong and we can act on them. We work together to use the democratic process in our church and in our country.

January RE Dates to remember:

Zoom RE Gatherings from 9:00-9:45 AM

Sunday, January 10

Imagine You Were the President

We will learn about the upcoming Presidential Inauguration and why as Unitarians this event is so important for us. While thinking about our Blue Promise, we will imagine what we would do if we were inaugurated as President of the United States.

Sunday, January 24

The RE Committee,
Susan, Debbie, Karen, Tatum, and Emily

Sure, there's bad stuff in the world, but there's also you. You can be anything that you want today, so be bold, be kind, be awesome, repeat. It's like shampoo, but with your life. – Kid President

**We look forward to “seeing” you in church.
First Church Unitarian is a wonderful community to be part of.**

Share-the-Plate - January 17, 2021

Our January Share-the-Plate recipient is UUSC's Guest at Your Table program. The 2020 - 2021 theme is The Meaning of Home. Information is available at this link <<https://www.uusc.org/resources/congregations/guest-at-your-table/>> To donate by mail, please make checks out to "UUSC" with "Guest" or "GAYT" in the memo field, and send to: UUSC • PO Box 808 • Newark, NJ 07101-0808. Donating by credit card please click here <<https://donate.uusc.org/give/75595/#!/donation/checkout>> Thank you!!

Want to be part of Small Group Ministry?

We have formed four small groups in the format of Soul Matters. It's not too late to be a part of one! If you're interested in becoming part of a small group, please let Rev. Lara know. Email her (minister@fculittle.org) or call her (508-615-1686). It's a great opportunity!

Screen Time Energy Self Care

Thursday, January 14, 7-9pm
online event

There are specific energy challenges with our increased use of computers and phones to connect online. Let's better understand what is going on with our energy field when we spend time on our screens. And let's talk about and practice ways to reduce negative affects and recover more quickly.

Cerridwen brings to her work decades of teaching and healing experience, expertise in a wide range of healing and empowerment modalities, and a deep caring and compassion drawn from her own life challenges. She's a lifelong learner who strives always to find what works and share it with others. Her approach is interdisciplinary and cutting edge; bringing together understandings and methodology from diverse sources, including Energy Medicine, Energy Psychology, Neurolinguistic Programming and InterPlay.

This is a free event through Meetup.

www.meetup.com/energymedicinestudy/events/dxcvdrycccbsb/

The Energy Medicine Study Group has been an offering of FCU Adult Enrichment for over 10 years. For more information: energystudy@fculittle.org <<mailto:energystudy@fculittle.org>>.

RJAC (Racial Justice Action Committee)

Embracing Racial Justice is happening again. Hurrah! Saturday January 16th at 6:30pm on zoom. We will be watching a YouTube video, [Silent Beats](#) It's a provocative video (only 5 minutes) and will result in a lively discussion. Come join us.

Topic: RJAC Embracing Racial Justice

Time: Jan 16, 2021 06:30 PM Eastern Time

email racialjustice@fculittle.org for the Zoom info

Join Zoom Meeting

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Dial by your location (just audio, no video)

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Submissions for Community Matters can be sent to office@fculittle.org

Deadline is 10 a.m. Friday mornings.

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(Gathering Video, “Pure Imagination”, Music by L. Bricusse, arranged by D.Nicholson, performed by Molly Lozeau, around 9:57 a.m.)

Community Matters (Bill Duston, Deacon)

Prelude “Gathered Here in the Mystery of the Hour” by Phillip A. Porter (featuring members of The Church Choir)

Call to Worship (Rev. Lara Hoke)

Chalice Lighting and Covenant (Jack Hutchens)

Words of Welcome (Lara)

Opening Hymn “Woke Up This Morning” gospel with lyric changed for Civil Rights Movement by Rev. Robert Wesby (performed by John Legend, as shown by UUtheVote/Side with Love during their January 6th online vigil)

Reading “there is an edge (ode to radical imagination)” by adrienne maree brown (Lara)

A Time for All Ages “Also an Octopus” by Maggie Tokuda-Hall, illustrated by Benji Davies (Laura and Eric Semple)

Opportunity for Generosity—Receiving Our Offering (Lara)

Offertory Excerpt from “Fantasie-Impromptu” by Frédéric Chopin (Molly Lozeau, Music Director)

Homily “Imagine a More Perfect Union” (Lara)

Closing Hymn #346 “Come, Sing a Song” (Molly and Congregation)

Closing Words (Lara)

Postlude “Dancing Barefoot in the Rain” by Nkeiru Okoye (Molly)

Announcements/Joys & Concerns/Virtual Coffee Hour will follow on Zoom

