



Beacon Unitarian Church
Order of Service for September 20 @ 10:30 am
A Seat in the Circle: The Beauty of Small
Rev Karen Fraser Gitlitz

♪ *Pre-Service Sing-Along with Kate Smith & Bill Marshall* ♪

Come Away In
Karine Polwart

Crowded Table
The Highwomen

Song of the Soul
Chris Williamson

You Gotta Sing
Traditional

Welcome to Beacon

Joan Morris

Chalice Lighting

Rev Karen Fraser Gitlitz

♪ *Singing #407 "We're Gonna Sit at the Welcome Table"*
Words & Music: Traditional, arr. by Mary Allen Walden

Ming-Xuan Chung

Wisdom Story "*Mullah Nasruddin Feeds his Coat*"

Rev Karen Fraser Gitlitz

Joys and Sorrows

Judy Villett

[Spirit of the Children Society - Youth Hub.](#)

Marsha Lessard, Laura Forster & Kennedy

Sharing The Plate

Glenn Wootton

♪ *Sung Response - For All That Is Our Life (First Verse)*
Words: Bruce Findlow, Music: Patrick L. Rickey

Ming-Xuan Chung

Wisdom Story by Pema Chödrön

Gina-Dianne Harding

♪ *Singing #168 "One More Step"*
Words and Music: Joyce Poley

Ming-Xuan Chung

Homily "*A Seat in the Circle: The Beauty of Small*"

Rev. Karen Fraser Gitlitz

♪ *Singing #311 "Let it be a Dance"*
Words & Music: Ric Masten, arr. by Betty A. Wylder

Ming-Xuan Chung

Chalice Extinguishing

Rob Warner

♪ *Carry the Flame*

Ming-Xuan Chung

♪ *Postlude*

Ming-Xuan Chung

We invite you to join us after the service for fellowship and conversation.

Zoom: Please stay and join us in small group conversation. Just stay online after the service ends.

Sapperton Hall: Please join us on the Lower Level for our Monthly Soup Lunch

Next Service: Sunday, September 27 @ 10:30 am

A Grand Experiment

Rev De Thorne

As the world fractures into isolating and rigid camps of opinion, Unitarians dare to create communities that value many kinds of diversity. From our religious roots to present complexities, what have we learned about courage, curiosity and ourselves?

Rev. De Thorne (she/elle) retired from UU congregational ministry in 2023 yet continues to be an active contributor to our faith. De has been honing her skills as a spiritual director/companion for individuals and groups locally and across Canada. She facilitates silent retreats at the Bethlehem Retreat Center in Nanaimo and offers a weekly meditative poetry group at My Inner Harbour, also in Nanaimo, where she lives and gardens with her husband, Theo.

Supporting Today's Service

In-Person Greeters	Lauren Casalis, Laura Redmond
Newcomer Hosts	Marilyn Medén, John Hagen
Counters/Collectors	John Hagen, Dan Theal, Rob Warner
Sapperton Coffee Host	Dominique Mamisao
Soup Lunch Coordinator	Augusta Hamilton
Audio Visual Technician	Tyler Ewasiuk
Camera operator	Deepak Sahasrabudhe
Zoom Greeter/Service Assistant	Gina-Dianne Harding
Zoom Recording Editor	Tyler Ewasiuk
Set up/Clean up	All of us who can
Lay Chaplains	Janet Pivnick, Laura Redmond

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Stay Connected! We send out a weekly email called Beacon This Week that informs you of all upcoming Beacon activities. Please ask one of the Greeters to sign you up, or contact [Admin Support](#)

Lunch Bunch meets online every Tuesday at noon.

Film Club meets online the 1st and 3rd Fridays of the month at 7pm

Book Club meets in person the 4th Thursday of the month at 1 pm

Humanist Group meets online the last Sunday of the month at 7:30 pm

For support when life is challenging, contact our Pastoral Support Team pastoralcare@beaconunitarian.org

For other Beacon programming please visit our website www.beaconunitarian.org