

HOPE:
An Intergenerational Pageant
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The Unitarian Church of Vancouver
*We are a community of diverse beliefs and shared values.
In fellowship with one another, we seek spiritual growth, social justice,
and environmental sustainability through worship, ethical action,
education, and artistic expression.*
We welcome all who would join this compassionate and visionary community.

UNITARIAN CHURCH OF VANCOUVER

Celebration of Worship *December 20, 2009*

At the front of the church you will find unlit candles. You are welcome to light a candle in remembrance, in gratitude, in celebration. Our church welcomes your comments and suggestions. Please find slips beside a suggestion box in the foyer. Thank you.

*Help us create a mood for shared celebration through **quiet** reflection during the prelude.
Please turn off your pagers, cell phones, etc.*

Prelude Christmas Carols from around the world
E. Dainow, piano

Opening Words/Greeting Our Neighbours Caroline Farley

Kindling the Chalice Flame

Welcome and Announcements

Reading from the Book of Celebrations and Concerns

Offering: *We deeply appreciate your presence here, your offering and the gifts you share.* *God Rest You Merry Gentleman*
by Eric Baumgartner
E. Dainow, piano

Opening Hymn # 360 *Here We Have Gathered*

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Cast List

Edgar	Way Kent	Towns People	Nick Hynds
Narrator 1	Phyllis Bassett		Tori Piwonda-Corle
Narrator 2	Dolores Bate		Sam Shenher
Wilma	Vi Pilar		Noah Shenher
Mayor	Pamela Rickey		Frasier Kent
Craig	Rupert Gomery		Jennifer Fell
Bertie	Amelie Lavoie		Tony Roper
Gina	Fiona Graham		Lora Eadie
Joanne	Frances Anderson		Pat MacBain
Marta	Theresa Marion		Phyllis Bassett

Little Girl	Amelie Lavoie	Townspeople	Terrence Einarson
Rabbi	Ariel Grandish		Ariel Grandish
Priest	Tully Ivany		Tian Piwonda-Corle
Priestess	Pat MacBain		Corina Bye
Humanist	Tony Roper		
Dreidels	Juliette Shenher		
	Sam Shenher		
	Noah Shenher		

Closing Hymn # 1061

For So The Children Come



Ilex Aquifolium(www.treesforlife.org)

UCV CENTENARY HISTORY SNIPPET: In 1976 and 1977 the Unitarian Family Life Centre receives grants of \$15,000+ from the Vancouver Resources Board to cover the cost of stipends for counselors and Centre Programs. The Centre has nine board members and 12 counselors with 2 clients each.

Thursday, December 24, 2009

7:00 pm Worship Service

Christmas Eve Celebration

Rev. Steven Epperson

Sunday, December 27, 2009

11:00 am Worship Service

Letting It Go:

A Fire Communion

Mary Bennett and Patrick Dubois

Please remember that the seats in the fourth row on the left side of the church are reserved for people with hearing loss. People using hearing aids may obtain further amplification by activating the T-switch. The seats in the rear of the church are reserved (when facing the front): left side for parents with babies or small children in child care, and right side for persons in wheelchairs.

WELCOME! NEWCOMERS AND VISITORS

If you are a new family here, with babies or children, we wish you a special welcome. Our childcare staff is happy to provide free care for babies and toddlers while you are at the service. Your children aged three and above will enjoy the church school. Ask the ushers for directions. If you feel the need to slip out of the Sanctuary with a fretting baby, please know that the service can be heard in the foyer and in Hewett Centre.

Please visit our Visitors' table, sign in and get a name tag in the Sanctuary Foyer. Drop by the Welcome Table in Hewett Centre after the service, and stay for coffee, tea or juice and friendly conversation. Learn about our church and our community. Look for people wearing yellow name tags, who are welcoming you today.

SUPPORT TEAM TODAY

COFFEE SET UP AND SERVERS	Ann Foster, Jean Lamond, Velia Laval
FLOWERS	Shirley Brunke
LIBRARY AND LITERATURE STALL	Frances Anderson, Olive Stewart
LUNCH	n/a
ORDER OF SERVICE	Tara-Lee MacNiven
SOUND	Gerry Hayle
USHERS	Jane Sutherland, Cheryl Amundson, Carolyn Grant
WELCOME AND INFORMATION TABLE	Dianne Crosbie, Eleanor Dunn, Alexandra Henriques

STAFF

PARISH MINISTER	Rev. Steven Epperson
CHOIR DIRECTOR	Donna Brown
MUSIC ASSISTANT TO THE MINISTER	Elliott Dainow
DIRECTOR OF LIFESPAN RELIGIOUS EXPLORATION	Vacant
HEAD CUSTODIAN	Stan Clarke
REPLACEMENT CUSTODIANS	Gerald Hernesmaa, Wentu Tu'ume
ADMINISTRATIVE MANAGER	Tamara Shoup
BOOKKEEPER	Ravina Sangara
OFFICE ASSISTANT / BOOKINGS	Tara-Lee MacNiven
SUNDAY RECEPTIONISTS	Virginia Crabill, Patti Turner, Lindsey Udem
UCV LAY CHAPLAINS	Phyllis Bassett, Dan Enright Katherine Roback, Wayne Ulian
COMMUNITY MINISTER	Rev. Laura Friedman

*The red pulpit hanging is a gift from our partner church in Brassó, Romania,
to celebrate our continuing relationship.*

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OUR CHILDREN'S PROGRAM TODAY Our children will remain with us in church today. Childcare for 0 to 5 years is available in our nursery.

ART IN THE CHURCH Unitarian Artists group show in the Sanctuary October 25th to mid December.

REFUGEE COMMITTEE RAFFLE Today is your final opportunity to buy tickets for the Refugee Committee's raffle. Prizes are a painting by Pat MacBain, a quilt by Pat Meyer, and an Aztec-motif chess set. Tickets are \$5 each or 5 for \$20. Buy them in Hewett after the service. Draw will be held on December 20 at 12:30.

UCV BOOK CLUB meets first Sundays. (January meeting cancelled.) February 7, 2010: Three Cups of Tea: One Man's Mission to Promote Peace One School at a Time, non-fiction, Greg Mortenson & David Oliver Relin. "Here [Pakistan], we drink three cups of tea; the first you are a stranger, the second you become a friend, and the third, you join our family, and for our family we are prepared to do anything—even die."

UCV CENTENARY EVENTS

ALL MONTH: South Foyer display Case – UCV Thrift Sale Display

UCV AND DENOMINATIONAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

WARM YOUR WINTER with a (not too) spicy Thai Vegan Cooking Workshop. Help reduce pollution, global warming, world hunger and animal abuses. Tuesday, December 29, 1:00 pm, \$15. Contact Denise Swanson to register: dcswanson@shaw.ca 604-872-5343.

UNITARIAN WOMEN'S RETREAT Come Play With Us: A Creative Gathering of Unitarian women will take place January 15 to 17, 2010, at Camp Alexandra Crescent Beach. Registration fee of \$150 covers the cost of accommodation and delicious meals. Register with Pam Rickey at 604-732-1370 or pamelarickey@trentu.ca.

UNITARIAN MUSIC CLUB Everyone is welcome to attend the Music Club's Solstice Party on Monday, December 21 at 7:30 in the Fireside Room. Please bring a contribution to refreshments. If you would like to perform, come and we will set a date. Info: Jeannie Corsi: 604.224.1040, nichorsi@interchange.ubc.ca; David Donaldson: 604.224.6010, dvdd@telus.net.

UCV ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE has a blog where you can find resources, events and inspiration – and “meet” members of the committee. Go to <http://ucvenvironment.wordpress.com> to learn more – and possibly post a comment or reply to the postings.

UCV CHAT Join 100 + members and friends on an email discussion group, by sending a message to ucv-chat-subscribe@yahooogroups.com or go to: <http://groups.yahoo.com/group/ucv-chat/>