

**The First Religious Society in Carlisle
Unitarian Universalist
Relying on the Earth**

November 19, 2017 Order of Service, 10:00 am

***Asterisks indicate that the congregation will stand as able in body or in spirit**

Prelude *Doctor Gradus ad Parnassum* Claude Debussy (1862-1918)
David Jiang, piano

Lighting of the Candles

Welcome and Opening Remarks The Reverend Lisa Mobayed

***Hymn No. 163** **For the Earth, Forever Turning**

***Chalice Lighting** (spoken in unison) The Shaw Family: Susie, William and Kai
*May the light of this flame illuminate lives and strivings of the spirit.
May it heal misunderstandings and strengthen love.*

***Covenant of the Congregation** (spoken in unison)

*Love is the doctrine of this church;
The quest for truth is our sacrament;
And service is our prayer.
To dwell together in peace;
To seek knowledge in freedom;
To serve humanity in friendship;
To the end that all souls shall grow into harmony with the Divine –
Thus do we covenant with each other and with God.*

Story Pam Howell, Director of Religious Education

Children's Recessional

*Go your way in peace; wander as you may.
Blessed is the path you take, may love guide you on your way.
Comfort find in truth; may your struggles cease.
May the fire within your heart light the way of peace.**

*Music & lyrics by Jim Scott, adapted from Mozart. ©2005 Jim Scott (SESAC)

Candles of Community Rev. Mobayed
A time to share the prayer on your heart

Prayer In Praise by John Daniel

Choral Response Dipper of Stars anon., arranged by Nikki M. Davis

Offering: Shared today with the Butler Middle School
(see announcements for more information)

Offertory Anthem In Sweet Fields of Autumn W. Kirkpatrick, arr. by Betsy Jo Angebrannt

***Doxology No. 402** From you I receive to you I give,
together we share, and from this, we live

Reading by Paul Willis

***Hymn No. 336** **All My Memories of Love**

Sermon "Relying on the Earth" Rev. Mobayed

Silent Meditation

***Hymn No. 21** **For The Beauty of the Earth**

***Benediction** by John Muir, adapted

Choral Response May Peace and Love Be With You by Marguerite Shaw

Chalice Extinguishing (spoken in unison)
Carry the flame of peace and love until we meet again.

Postlude Rondo in D Major K485 Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart (1756-1791)
David Jiang, piano

Greeter: Eva Herndon
Verger: Christine Lear
Coffee Hour comestibles: Congregants with last names W-C

Accessibility: The elevator to all three floors of the building is located in the hallway through the door next to the pulpit. Personal hearing devices are available on tables at the back of the Sanctuary.

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A Welcoming Congregation

Today in Religious Education

This Sunday in RE 11/19- Littles (1yr-4yrs) with Bella Eckler and adult, MJ Lanum
K-Ones (K-1st Grades)- with Carly Neale Paris, Brianna Neptune and adult, Carol
Kaag-Hay. JYG Buddies.

Middles (2nd-5th Grades)- Holly West, Rachel Bryan and adult Pam Howell - The
Question Box

JYG - (6,7,8th Grades)- with teen leaders: Jasmine Neale Paris and Katie Baum, with
adult Carol Kagg-Hay - K/1 Buddies - Council on Aging Sand Buckets.

NYG - (7th-12th Grades) - 6-7 Teen Cook, 7-8:30 Thanksgiving Feast and Buckets of
Sand, 8:30 - 9 Dark Silence. Adults - Pam & Mark Howell, Kate Sacco - Bring some
food to share with the group. We will be delivering sand to seniors in Carlisle at
night. Jr. Youth Group is welcome to attend.

Next Sunday in RE 11/26- Thanksgiving Sunday

10am - UU Games in the Red Balloon - All Ages

NYG - Let's go Together! Field Trip into Boston to hear Carly Neale Paris - Gather at
1:30 at FRS and Carpool - please RSVP to Pam if you can come with us.

Calendar of Events

Sunday, November 19

9:15-9:45am Choir Rehearsal

Nursery is open after the Message for All Ages

10:00am Service

11:00am Coffee Hour

Wednesday, November 22

7:30pm Ecumenical Thanksgiving Service

Thursday, November 23

Thanksgiving Dinner at FRS.

Doors open at noon, dinner is served at 2pm

Upcoming Services

November 22nd: Ecumenical Thanksgiving Service (Thanksgiving Eve) 7:30pm

November 26: Finding Gratitude

Announcements

Today we **share the plate** 50/50 with the Butler Middle School. FRS will provide
groceries for Thanksgiving Dinner to four needy families as provided by the Social
Worker at the Butler Middle School in Lowell. We will shop for the entire
Thanksgiving dinner menu, which includes everything from appetizers through
dessert. The groceries will be delivered directly to these families on the Monday
before Thanksgiving. This is a Social Action project. Contact Dollina Borella,
dollina.borellaFRS@gmail.com

A note from Judy Bose about Vanu's ceremony:

"VANU BOSE: A Celebration of His Life" will be held at 10am on Saturday morning
11/25 with a reception to follow. The Celebration will be in Building 26, Room 100,
located just behind the Ray and Maria Stata Center on the MIT campus. Parking is
available in the Stata Center garage which may be accessed from Vassar Street.

Greeters will be on hand to guide guests from the first floor of the Stata Center to
Room 26-100. Following the service, a reception will be held beneath a tent on the
North Court which is adjacent to the Stata Center.

Guests arriving via MIT's main entrance at 77 Massachusetts Avenue may follow
signage to Building 26, which is a 5-minute walk.

A note from the Parish Committee and the Buildings and Grounds Committee:

The Parish Committee along with the Buildings and Grounds Committee would like
to thank all of those who donated to the sanctuary window replacement project. The
contractor installing the new windows has offered to restore the remaining four
windows in the sanctuary at the same discounted price (\$2,000/window). So, once
again we would like to ask for donations toward this worthy project. If you missed
your chance to help out last time, now is the time. Please make your check out to FRS
and put "window improvement fund" in the memo line. Send it to FRS, Box 817,
Carlisle, MA 01741. Thank you!

A note from Janice Kissinger: Jon and Margie Saphier donated 2 lovely paintings to
our church . One is a painting of FRS in 1980. They will be placed in the Widrick
room for all to see. Come see what our building looked like before the addition was
added in 1994. Thanks to the Saphier's for their thoughtful gift! **Frank Rigg** made a
Special Donation. A very special "Thank You" for your generous gifts of linens,
silver, and decorative china. Everything was much appreciated and is already in use
by the Coffee Committee, RE, and the Worship Arts Committee.

Gingerbread House Kits: Last Saturday gingerbread dough was mixed for the
kits."Thank You" to **Dollina Borella, Pam Fox, and Kim Kastens** who spent many
hours in the church kitchen on this project.

BOXWOOD TREE WORKSHOP SAT NOV 18 at 9AM. Come join the fun ! **Donna
Cantrell** has created simply gorgeous bows . A big " THANK YOU" goes to her for
hours spent!

DECORATING THE SANCTUARY NOV. 26 at 11:20 AM . WE CAN ALWAYS USE
MORE HELP ! [signed] Janice Kissinger

A note from the Social Action Committee: The Social Action Committee will once again support 4 or 5 families during the Thanksgiving and Christmas holidays. We are waiting for the list from Kadeen Healy, Social Worker, at the Butler Middle School. See the Share the Plate information today. For Christmas we will provide two gifts per child, one clothing and one recreational. Market Basket gift certificates are usually provided as well. Sign up information will be posted soon. Contact for the project is Dollina Borella, tel. 978-771-3732, dollina.borellaFRS@gmail.com.

Community Events

A Community Thanksgiving Dinner. Once again this year the First Religious Society will be hosting a Community Thanksgiving Feast on Thanksgiving Day (Thursday, November 23) in Union Hall. This has become a beloved tradition here at FRS, and past years have been memorable experiences for all who attended, including families as well as couples and empty nesters, and those who want to escape the travel chaos of the day. More especially though, this is a chance to be part of a true community feast, like that first Thanksgiving long ago. Attendees will be invited to take part by bringing a favorite dish to share at the table, and we will provide and prepare the turkeys, stuffing, and gravy in the church kitchen. We already have people signed up, both adults and children, and have lots of room for more. What a great way to spend Thanksgiving, just like in the distant past, as a shared community dinner with a promise of great food, friends and maybe a bit of music and games! We hope to open the doors at noon, with dinner seating at 2pm. Interested? For more details, or to sign up, please phone Tom Rourk at 978 369 5366, or tfrpiano@comcast.net

"Daring Democracy" Thursday, December 7, 7:30 p.m. First Parish Concord. Legendary *Diet for a Small Planet* author Frances Moore Lappé and organizer Adam Eichen will share highlights of their empowering new UU Common Read, *Daring Democracy: Igniting Power, Meaning, and Connection for the America We Want*. They will be sharing highlights of the book and discussing ways that we can engage in a movement to save our democracy. Their presentation will be followed by a question and answer session and a book signing reception in the Parish Hall. The event is sponsored by the First Parish group Reclaim Our Democracy. They wrote: "To help build the very broad Democracy movement, we need to engage with other groups and other congregations and find ways to collaborate. To us it's a moral imperative to work on this issue, and we hope members of your congregation will work with us."

About the Music

This morning we welcome young pianist David Jiang. David is in the midst of preparing for level 10 of the Royal Conservatory assessment exams and will be playing at services this week and next. We wish him all the best in his musical development.

The **Prelude**, *Doctor Gradus ad Parnassum* is the first piece in a 6-movement suite called *Children's Corner*, published by Debussy in 1908 and dedicated to his daughter Claude-Emma (nicknamed Chou-Chou), who was three years old at the time. The pieces of *Children's Corner* are not intended to be played by children; rather they are meant to evoke feelings of childhood. In addition, many of the pieces are inspired by some of Chou-Chou's toys. The piece's name alludes to the book *Gradus ad Parnassum* (Steps to Parnassus) written by Johann Joseph Fux (1660-1741), arguably one of the greatest schoolbooks in the history of European music. The technical characteristics of the piece allude to the music exercises found in the book. The piece is notable for its challenging note progressions and requires finger dexterity. The piece starts out flowing and dreamy, however becomes wilder, ending on a bang.

The **choir anthem** is an elaborated version of Hymn 52 by Betsy Jo Angebrannt, former Minister of Music of the UU church of Annapolis, MD and former Board member of the UU Musicians Network. She has visited FRS in the past. Its primary melody is *Cradle Song*, the familiar Christmas carol. The text is by Elizabeth Syle Madison (b. 1883) and was first published in *Hymns for the Celebration of Life*, 1964.

The text of **Hymn 21**, *For the Beauty of the Earth*, was written by Folliott Pierpoint (1835-1917), a British classicist and poet. The original text has been altered by many denominations, as it is in the UU hymnal. The tune, named *Dix*, was composed by Conrad Kocher (1786-1872), who studied in Russia and Italy before returning to Germany where he served as organist and choirmaster at the collegiate church in Stuttgart. Kocher was interested in the reformation of church music and he founded the School of Sacred Music in 1821, which popularized four-part singing in churches.

The **Postlude**, Rondo in D Major (which is not actually a rondo, but more of a lively sonata) was composed by Mozart in 1786 at age 29. The piece is notable for the pianist having to switch Alberti bass between the left and right hands. The interpretation of Rondo in D major performed today was inspired by Vladimir Horowitz's recital in Vienna, during his final tour of Europe during the spring of 1987 (Horowitz stopped performing from then on until his death in 1989). Horowitz's interpretation of the piece is noted for its velocity and softness, contrasting the louder and slower style taken by many of his fellow pianists of his day.

Notes for the Debussy and Mozart pieces are by David Jiang. Other notes for *About the Music* are from the writings of Marguerite Shaw and from *Between the Lines*, a UUA publication.