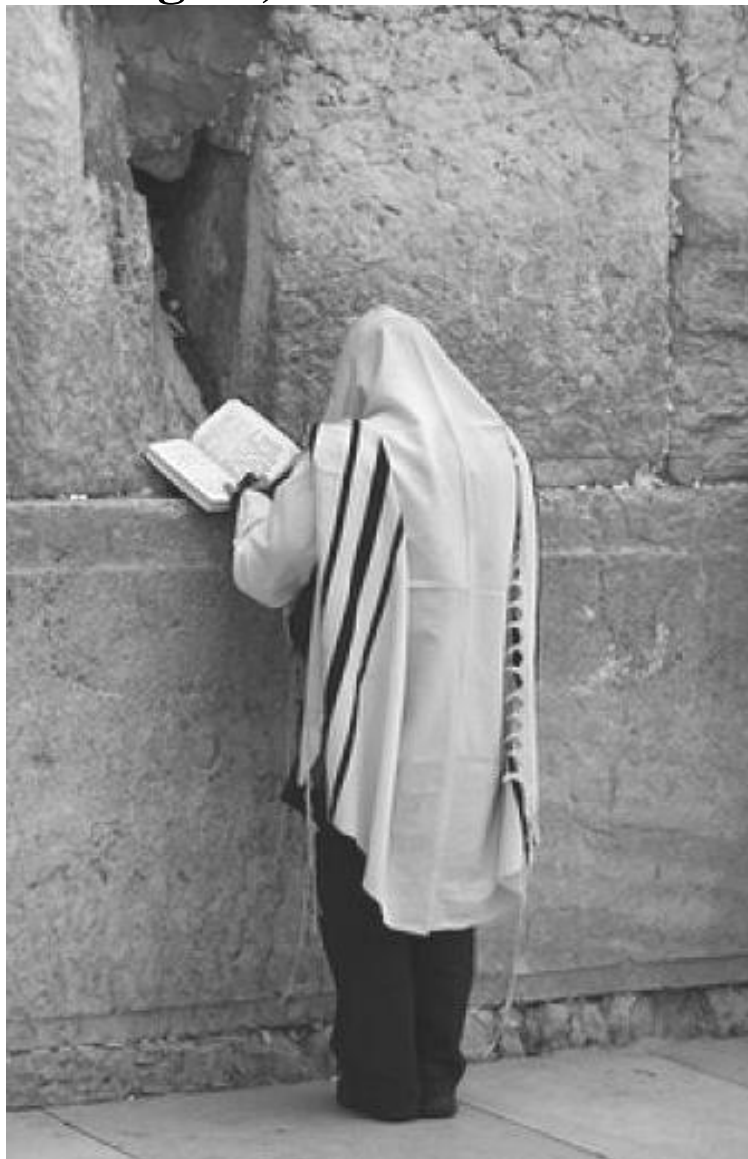


Is Criticism of Israel Anti-Semitic?

Don Grayston

Aug 22, 2010 11:00 am



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 Aug 22, 2010

At the front of the church you will find unlit candles. You are welcome to light a candle in remembrance, in gratitude, in prayer, 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
Please turn off your pagers, cell phones, etc.*



Prelude

Medley of Jewish Hymns
arr. Sam Englander
Leah Hokanson, piano

Opening Words/Greeting Our Neighbours

Kindling the Chalice Flame

Opening Hymn #187

It Sounds Along The Ages

Story for All Ages

The Owl and the Woodpecker
by Brian Wildsmith
read by Way Kent

Let's Sing the Children Out "Go Now..."

Welcome and Announcements

Board member

Reading from the Book of Celebrations and Concerns

Board member

Offering: *We deeply appreciate
your presence here, your offering
and the gifts you share.*

Tumbalalaika
Jewish Folk/arr. L. Hokanson
Leah Hokanson, piano

Meditation, spoken then silent

Little Gidding by T.S.Eliot

Musical Response

Meditation on Hine Ma Tov
Jewish Hymn/arr. L. Hokanson
Leah Hokanson, piano

Reading

Genesis 32:24-30
and *God: A Biography* by Jack Miles

Homily

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Closing Song #139

Wonders Still the World Shall Witness

Benediction/Extinguishing the Chalice Flame

Valediction

Carry the flame of peace and love, until we meet again.

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*Don Grayston is a Vancouver native and an Anglican priest. He is currently chair of the planning team of Building Bridges Vancouver, a public education program which showcases the work of those who are trying to bridge the Israeli-Palestinian divide. He is also co-director of the Pacific Jubilee Program in Spiritual Direction.



Image credit: Don Parry, Professor of Hebrew at BYU

A Church in the Forest: Transcendentalism B.C. Style

Debra Thorne (Ministerial Candidate)

Sunday Aug 29, 2010

11:00 am Worship Service

music with Leah Hokanson

lunch with Refugee Committee (fundraising for Farahnaz)

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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: left side for parents with babies or small children in child care, and right side for persons in wheelchairs.

WELCOME! NEWCOMERS AND VISITORS

A Warm Welcome!

If you are a new family visiting with children or babies, we look forward to welcoming you in person. Free childcare is available for children 3 and under, and children over 3 are invited to check out our dynamic Sunday school programs. Children are also welcome to stay for the church service if they prefer. If you feel that you need to slip out of the service with a crying baby, please feel free to rejoin the service at any time. The service can also 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

Lynette Tresierra, Jean Lamond, Velia Laval

FLOWERS

Chris Pearce

LIBRARY AND LITERATURE STALL

Aphrodite Harris, Hilda Wiebe

LUNCH

ORDER OF SERVICE

Tara-Lee MacNiven

SOUND

Rob Grieg

USHERS

Greg Grant, Julie Cowie, Gary Smook, Hilda Wiebe

WELCOME AND INFORMATION TABLE

Bennett Mitten, Helen Osoba

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Virginia Crabill, Patti Turner

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Phyllis Bassett, Dan Enright

Sherry King, Wayne Ulian

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Rev. Laura Imayoshi

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

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CHILDREN'S PROGRAMS TODAY

Our regular religious education classes for children of all ages will resume in September. During the summer months, children in church are invited to participate in arts and crafts with childcare staff.

Following the story for all ages, please head down to Parker on the lower floor of Hewett Centre.

ART IN THE CHURCH The first solo show of paintings by Bennett Mitten in the Sanctuary. July 25th to Aug. 22. Daniel Tibbits in the Fireside Rm "Symbology Pieces"

TODAYS FORUM "Refusing to be Enemies: Palestinian and Israeli Nonviolent Resistance to the Israeli Occupation" Maxine Kaufman-Lacusta will narrate a PowerPoint presentation (60 min + QA) introducing Refusing to be Enemies: Palestinian and Israeli Nonviolent Resistance to the Israeli Occupation - an interview-based book in which over 100 Palestinian and Israeli nonviolent activists share hopes and visions for the future and discuss effective strategies as well as challenges faced in pursuing their goal of a just peace. The book also includes a foreword by Ursula Franklin, four contributed analytic essays, and an epilogue by the author. Books will be available for sale and signing.

UCV AND DENOMINATIONAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

ATTENTION NON-PROFIT GROUPS The Thrift Sale Committee invites you to send gleaners during the summer to select any items you can use that we are not putting on sale in our summer sale departments. For more information, please contact Dianne Crosbie, dcrosbie@uniserve.com 604 876 6543

CHILD CARE CENTRE FACE LIFT Throughout the next several months, we are hoping to slowly renovate our child care centre. We are currently looking to procure two fairly new, comfortable adult chairs as well as a kitchen play centre. We are also looking for a new home for the playhouse. If you are interested in donating any of the above items or wish to make an offer of purchase on the playhouse, please contact the Director of Religious Education at cristin@vancouverunitarians.ca, 604.261.7204, ext. 226.

REFUGEE COMMITTEE Fantastic news! Our application to sponsor the elderly parents of four Palestinian sons who were admitted to Canada last year has been approved! The parents have been refugees twice - as children from Palestine and in their retirement from Iraq. Now they are in a camp in Syria, where they can't stay. In Canada they can live in peace amongst their children and grandchildren.

SUMMER THRIFT SALES CONTINUE TODAY TO RAISE MONEY FOR OUR CHURCH

Come after the service and see what is new in Books, Treasure Trove, and Classy Clothes For Women, and check out the small kitchen appliances in Electrical. We are no longer accepting donations, thank you. Please note that there is no sorting on Thursday evenings. A big thank you to the Tuesday volunteers who work hard to get those new items into our departments, and who have been transporting items that we cannot use to other charities.

Remember to invite your friends, relations and neighbours to come and shop on Sundays as well, as we are not having a public sale this year. We will be having a special evening of sales on Thursday, September 9th, 7-9 pm., before the last Sunday of sales on September 12th.

BOOK STORE The UCV summer book store is now open in Hitchmanova, every Sunday from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. from now until September 12. Please come down and check out our offerings. There are many books, nearly new and gently read at the right prices for any budget, from \$.25 to \$5 for particularly beautiful specially priced books. We have DVDs, CDs and Videotapes as well. All you need for summer reading is available downstairs. Proceeds go to support our church. We are also happily accepting donations from now until Aug. 29. All the usual restrictions apply: no computer books, no Readers Digest, no encyclopedias, no magazines, no ripped, torn, marked or smelly books, please.