

Partner Church Sunday: A Life-Changing Experience

Rev. Phillip Hewett

March 7, 2010

11:00 am



Phillip Hewett in the Brassó Unitarian Church

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 *March 7, 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	Hungarian Opera (selections) by Franz Lehar E. Dainow, piano
Invocation	<i>Find a Stillness</i> Transylvanian hymn tune; arr. Larry Phillips with the Chalice Choir
Opening Words /Greeting Our Neighbours	John Smith
Kindling the Chalice Flame	John Smith
Opening Hymn # 295	<i>Sing Out Praises For The Journey</i>
Story for All Ages	<i>A Picture That Tells A Story</i> read by Rev. Phillip Hewett
<i>Go now in peace, go now in peace. May the spirit of love surround you, Everywhere, everywhere, you may go.</i>	
Welcome and Announcements	Board member
Reading from the Book of Celebrations and Concerns	Board member
Offering: <i>We deeply appreciate your presence here, your offering and the gifts you share.</i>	<i>Zorika</i> by Franz Lehar E. Dainow, piano
Meditation, spoken then silent	Rev. Phillip Hewett
Musical Response	<i>Tambur</i> Hungarian folk tune; arr. Lajos Bárdos with the Chalice Choir
Reading	<i>Religious Liberty and Unitarianism</i> by Arpad Szabo (former bishop of Transylvanian Unitarianism) read by Alison Pearson

Sermon

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Closing Hymn # 123

Spirit of Life

Benediction/Extinguishing the Chalice Flame

Valediction

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Members of Brassó congregation in church

Sunday, March 14, 2010

11:00 am Worship Service

Ostara/Spring Equinox

Pagan Group led by Mary Bennett

Russell Shumsky, percussion

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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	George Morgan, Betsy Neily, Denise Swanson
FLOWERS	Chris Pearce
LIBRARY AND LITERATURE STALL	Jean Stanton, Ann Foster
LUNCH	Refugee Committee
ORDER OF SERVICE	Tara-Lee MacNiven
SOUND	Rob Taylor
USHERS	Pat Johnson, Patricia Startin, Marg Fletcher
WELCOME AND INFORMATION TABLE	Dave Cook, Audrey Cook, Donna Cook

STAFF

PARISH MINISTER	Rev. Steven Epperson
ACTING CHOIR DIRECTOR (Donna Brown is on sabbatical)	Gavin Grandish
MUSIC ASSISTANT TO THE MINISTER	Elliott Dainow
ACTING D.R.E.	Jennifer Fell
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
UCV LAY CHAPLAINS	Phyllis Bassett, Dan Enright Sherry King, Wayne Ulian
COMMUNITY MINISTER	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

0-3 – free childcare is available in the childcare room in Hewett Centre

3 years to grade 3 – The Spirit Play group will be hearing a story today entitled “The Most Powerful Thing” (meet downstairs in Parker)

Grade 4-7 (intermediate group) – Field trip today to Farmers on 57th – ***leaving at 11:00, meet in Hewett Centre***

Youth group – Field trip today to Farmers on 57th – ***leaving at 11:00, meet in Hewett Centre***

ART IN THE CHURCH March 3rd – April 4th “March to Spring” Collective works from the “Art Studios” of Vancouver Coastal Health in the Sanctuary and the Fireside Room. Mixed Media.

REFUGEE COMMITTEE Farahnaz is preparing her delicious, traditional Afghan lunch today, and next Sunday (14th) the committee will be preparing the lunch. All welcome!

CHANGE THE SYSTEM - NOT THE CLIMATE TODAY 2pm in the Sanctuary. Suggested donation \$5-\$10. Public Forum on climate justice after Copenhagen: with Pablo Solon – Bolivia’s ambassador to the UN on climate change at Copenhagen and Frederico Fuentes – activist and writer, and Social Justice Ctte. See boliviasolidarity@gmail.com

UCV BOOK CLUB meets TODAY at 12:30 pm. All welcome. Books: Today, March 7, *The Realm of the Hungry Ghosts*, NF, Gabor Maté; April 4, *The Golden Mean*, F, Annabel Lyon; May 2, *A Fair Country: Telling Truths about Canada*, NF, John Ralston Saul; June 6, *The Guernsey Literary and Potato Peel Pie Society*, F, Mary Ann Shaffer & Annie Barrows.

THE THRIFT SALE is changing this year. In 2010 it will take place on summer Sundays only. A brainstorming meeting will be held TODAY at 12:30pm in Castello. New church members! This is a good opportunity to get to know your community and help to raise UCV funds. Please come and bring your ideas!

FOLLOWING THE SERVICE TODAY there will be a special collection in aid of our Partner Church in Brassó, Romania. Any identifiable contribution made to UCV is eligible for a tax receipt.

UCV AND DENOMINATIONAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

PASSOVER SEDER Community 3rd Seder April 3rd at 5:30p.m. at the Peretz Centre (6184 Ash St.) \$36/person. Reservations required. Call 325-1812 or speak to Elliot Dainow for details.

UCV'S OUR CHILDREN'S TABLE There will be a basket in the sanctuary foyer until June 6th for your cheese donations. Thank you. We've had just enough to send each family home with cheese twice a month. We also welcome gifts of lightly used infant and children's clothes, books, safe sensible games and equipment for our Tuesday exchange. There will be a large wooden box in Hewett Hall to deposit these items beginning next Sunday. Thank you, Lauren & Diana 604-569-3944.

2ND FRIDAY DISCOVERY Come watch portions of DVD's about early Christianity relevant to Dan Brown's novel "The Da Vinci Code" and possible changes in contemporary Christianity. Fri, March 12 at 7:30 p.m. in the Fireside Room. Discussion to follow the viewing. Phone Robert at 604-943-6419 for more information. Everyone welcome.

COLLAGE WORKSHOP Mary Bennett will facilitate the workshop offered through the Services auction on Sat. April 3 1-4pm. Mary provides all materials. If you have something special you want to use, bring it along. Still space for 4 more participants by donation to UCV \$10. unitarianmary@telus.net 604-732-1455 marybennett.net

SEEDY SUNDAY – MARCH 14 For the Spring Equinox/Ostara worship service – bring seeds to exchange with others, or perennials that have spread. If you want lambs ears, vinca major, creeping Jenny, sedum (creeping or tall), marjoram, oregano, lemon balm or mint – send me a note and I'll bring some. unitarianmary@telus.net - Post what you have or want at the Environment Ctte.: <http://ucvenvironment.wordpress.com>

DAYTIMERS Thurs March 11th at 11am and 1pm. Alice James will lead a discussion on “The Future Health of Canadians.” We will enjoy our bag lunches at 1pm. Join us if you are able.

BEACON'S SPRING FLING Community Dance for all ages. Sat, March 20, 6:30pm-9pm at Sapperton Pensioners' Hall, 318 Keary, New West. A great place to have fun and enjoy. All Ages! Dances taught by Beacon's Carol Becken. Or just come to watch and socialize. Tickets: \$10 per adult, \$5 per child. Families pay a max. of \$25. Need a ride? Childcare? Contact: Sue Sparlin sue.sparlin@shaw.ca or Carol Becken carol-becken@hotmail.com for tickets or more info.

"THE COLOURS OF DYSTOPIA" Alexander Winstanley's beautiful bilingual book of poetry, is fresh of the press! All are welcome to the celebration and book signing in the Hewett Hall on March 26 from 7-10 pm. There will be refreshments, music, and poetry.