

The Steeple



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Staying In Touch

Notes From the Pastor

These are rocky times. Things relied on are in question. The poorest in the land are bound to suffer more this winter. As I write the election is 8 days ahead, and some new direction will be launched. Personal lives continue to be what they have always been for humans, with ups and down, predictable and not.

It is the season that reminds us to give thanks. Not just for the goodness, but for the miracle that we live, simply live. This is the continuing spiritual challenge. To give thanks no matter what.

I give thanks every day for the opportunity to live

my life within the inspiring values of Unitarian Universalism, and, within the sheltering walls of this caring place, First Parish. The economic situation will most likely challenge us in the next few years. I have no doubt that we will weather them. If you have a need to talk about your life, don't hesitate to call me.

Let us stay together through this time with increased gentleness toward one another, continuing to celebrate and serve.

Thank You For All That You Are And All That You Do,

Kathleen

Theme Based Ministry for November: *Spiritual Practice*

Spiritual Practice is most beneficial when it is a daily commitment. UUs choose a very wide range of activities that keep them focused on the values, the beliefs, the state of being from which they wish to live their lives. Life is stressful and fast paced. Spiritual practice helps us slow down and remember that which we value most. For instance, one First Parish Member told me she meditates daily for 30 minutes and that this not only has stress reducing health benefits, but it has, over time, brought her to a place of deep peace as she navigates life. Below are other suggestions. Give one of them a try for this month and see how it shifts your life. Many of these can be done with people of different ages. Also, at First Parish we usually have at least one class on spiritual development going on all the time.

- simply sit in silence every day, teaching children to do this a little at a time is a great gift to them
- keep a daily gratitude journal, bedtime or dinner time is good
- walk or run or dance briskly everyday taking care to notice beauty
- say grace at the table inviting everyone to name their gratitude
- meditate for 20 minutes
- write or find a prayer that you say morning and evening
- write or read poetry ; create art
- keep a journal of your thoughts on issues like gratitude, love, peace, death, god
- learn yoga
- take time out three times a day to stretch and breathe deeply
- be very intentional about taking a Sabbath every week

POSSIBLE BOOKS

Sabbath: Finding Rest, Renewal, and Delight In Our Busy Lives, Wayne Muller
Simply Pray: a Modern Spiritual Practice to Deepen Your Life, Erik Walker Wikstrom
Slowing Down To The Speed of Life, Richard Carlson Joseph Bailey
Life Prayers From Around The World, Elizabeth Roberts and Elias Amidon
Earth Prayers From Around The World, Elizabeth Roberts and Elias Amidon
The Tao Te Ching, or other sacred scripture
UU Meditation Manuals, Skinner House Books www.uua.org/skinner
Present Moment Wonderful Moment, Thich Nhat Hanh

FIRST PARISH AS A TEACHING CONGREGATION

Most of you have met Michelle LaGrave by now, have heard her preach, and have experienced something of her generous spirit. Seems like a good time to remind ourselves about what it means to be a teaching congregation for those preparing for UU Ministry. This is a sacred trust given to us by our movement in the development of future leaders. Michelle is being supervised by me, and she has a lay committee offering feedback and support as well. (Monica Alley, Carol Greve, David Mendelsohn, and Heidi Safford) She also meets weekly with a reflection group at Andover Newton Theological School, her seminary.

Michelle will be learning in the areas of preaching/worship, youth ministry, administration/governance, and pastoral care over the next two years, 20 hours a week. She is in a transition phase, moving from student to minister. She brings a wealth of experience from her former professions of early childhood development and museum education, and she is in a learning posture. I am finding her to be an eager student and a person of wisdom. And, we receive so much from students who bring fresh insight and enthusiasm.

If you have questions about ministerial internships, please feel welcomed to ask Michelle or me. If you have any kind of feedback for Michelle, feel free to approach her with a gracious, helpful spirit. If you have a question about such feedback, feel free to ask me about it. If you would like to approach Michelle for pastoral care, this is also welcome. Be aware that she is supervised by me in this endeavor and thus I will know who she is seeing and for what general matter.

First Parish is known as an excellent site for seminarians to begin to take on the mantle of professional ministry. Thank you for agreeing to offer this to our future ministers.

Reverend Kathleen Hepler

From the Ministerial Intern

Dear Ones,

While many of you were busily involved in Pies on the Common, I was attending the UU New England Fall Conference. While I was sad to miss Pies, I was also grateful for the opportunity to worship and learn with many of our fellow Unitarian Universalists from other congregations.

The theme of the conference was “The Future of Unitarian Universalism”. It was an appropriate theme for this election year. Mirroring the national debates, the two candidates for the Presidency of the Unitarian Universalist Association: Laurel Hallman and Peter Morales, presented their platforms and took questions from the audience.

The presidential candidates were followed by a presentation of the UUA’s Board of Trustees about the current transition to policy governance. A trustee was seated at each table and facilitated small group discussions about the rough drafts of proposed core value and

global end/mission statements. As the groups were small, each person at the conference had plenty of opportunity to express their opinions, ask questions, and feel heard.

More recently, I participated in a Jewish-Christian-Muslim interfaith gathering at Andover Newton. Adherents of each of the three major faiths, “The Children of Abraham”, shared their faith with each other through learning, eating, and talking together. Together, we shared joy, pain, laughter, and tears. The gathering was intense, yet filled with hope and healing for a better tomorrow.

I am convinced that now, more than ever, Unitarian Universalists need strong and faithful leadership as we make our way through this increasingly complex and interfaith world. I encourage all UUs to seek out opportunities for engaging in our denominational governance at either the district or national level. The future of Unitarian Universalism is, truly, in our hands.

In faith,
Michelle

Sunday Worship

NOVEMBER 2

9:15 & 11:00 AM Worship

That Which Abides

All Saints Day, Day of the Dead, Halloween, the Equinox... what do these holidays from different traditions reveal about the human spirit? What lessons does mortality teach? The children will join us at the beginning of the service.

Rev. Kathleen Hepler

NOVEMBER 9

9:15 & 11:00 AM Worship

Peddle, Steer and Relax

The theme of the month at First Parish is “Spiritual Practice”. Have you considered the transformative power of such a thing as this? Rev. Kathleen Hepler

NOVEMBER 16

9:15 & 11:00 AM Worship

Matt Meyer’s intergenerational service will explore the connections between music, community and social justice. The service promises to be engaging, participatory and inspiring as we look at how music calls us to live out our faith in the world and value the great gifts of our community.

Worship & Arts

NOVEMBER 23

9:15 & 11:00 AM Worship

Gentleness, Generosity and Gratitude: Thanksgiving Sunday
Bring a can or package of food to bring forward during the service. Bring your gentle soul, your generous spirit, your grateful heart. Let us give thanks together.

Rev. Kathleen Hepler

NOVEMBER 30
9:15 & 11:00 AM Worship
Advent Sunday Advent is a liturgical re-creation of the season of waiting leading up to the birth of Jesus. Join us

as we usher in the season and explore the meaning of advent for Unitarian Universalists today.

Michele LaGrave, Intern Minister

Religious Education

Even though it is still October, the Religious Education Council is well into the planning for the annual **Un-Decorate the Tree project**. Giving a gift to a child who might not otherwise receive any holiday presents truly puts our faith into action. On November 9th and 16th, the Christmas tree in the Memorial Room will be decorated with paper canes with the names of children and a gift that they would like. The names have been sent to us from four local agencies. We also have bulbs with suggested items that shelters need. Please be sure to sign out your cane or bulb at the staffed tables before leaving the Memorial Room and also pick up a color-coded sheet with directions about the gifts. The dates for returning gifts are November 23rd and December 7th.

Another worthy cause that will begin on November 23rd is the Unitarian Universalist Service Committee's Guest at Your Table program. This program raises needed funds to promote justice and equity all over the world. A presentation will be made in church that day, and I will be doing a Children's Worship about Guest at Your Table. All people will be given a box to put on your kitchen or dining room table so that you can "invite" a guest by putting money into the box. Your contributions really do make a difference in our hurting world.

A change that will occur beginning in February is that

children in first grade and up will be joining the worship services for the first 15 minutes **every Sunday** rather than just the first Sunday of the month. Having children more integrated into the life of the whole church, including worship, will contribute to the feeling that all ages are truly a part of our congregation. Our thinking is that the whole congregation is a learning community and that including children in worship will bring some vitality to church life. Many other UU congregations follow this model, and they report that it builds a deeper sense of community. The time children are in the service will usually relate to the overall worship theme and will give families a chance to take part in that experience together.

This plan will bring with it some schedule changes, and we are in the process of figuring those areas out. We have some time to brainstorm and trouble-shoot. Parents of children in the RE program and teachers will receive a letter with the specifics as soon as we iron those out. I ask that you put your flexibility hats on and try this experiment with us. Nothing is etched in stone! Stay tuned for some opportunities to talk about this change and bring up any concerns. (We haven't established when and what those will be yet, but I will let you know when we decide.)

Julie Porter
Director of Religious Education

From the Board of Assessors

Thanksgiving greetings from your Board of Assessors

We at First Parish have many reasons to be grateful this Thanksgiving season in the midst of the tumultuous times in our world. The completion of the steeple project and the November opening of our Framingham site of the MetroWest Free Medical Program are two projects of which we can be proud. In addition, the success of Pies on the Common was hard work and yet provided a joyous camaraderie in celebration of our connections to one another. As Unitarian Universalists, we can draw upon our spiritual resources and friendships to offer a positive spirit in support for one another in difficult times.

This is what stewardship at First Parish is all about—caring for one another, maintaining our facilities, and supporting our religious heritage in word and deed. Let us be rooted in being and committed to doing. We can envision new directions for our religious community in

our relationships to one another and the larger community. In what at First Parish are you willing to invest your time, your energy, and your money? Do you accept the challenge to lead a life you want to lead? How do you live the mission and vision of our Unitarian Universalist heritage? How important is liberal religion in your life? How do you live your life?

Together we can support one another in these difficult times and we can create a vision for our lives together in this unique place that is First Parish. As the Board of Assessors crafts a vision statement from your input, we anticipate the creation of a strategic plan to lead us step by step through our current challenges to a wider vision of what we can be. All our actions and intentions make the world and First Parish a special place. Happy Thanksgiving.

Sincerely,
Pam Pierson, Chair

Announcements, Dates & Events

Caritas Coordinator For November

Mary McCarty: 508.877.2935

Deceased

Betty Winter, a member of First Parish and long time member of the Woman's Alliance passed away on October 11 at her family's home in Concord. Her memorial service will be held Tuesday, Nov. 11, 2008, at 11 a.m. at the Martha-Mary Chapel at the Wayside Inn.

Sunday Night Movie

Nov. 9, 7:30 (120 min.)

After the Wedding (2007)

Excellent performances in this beautiful and absorbing Danish film about what it means to be responsible to others. Come and enjoy!

Nov. 16th Drumming and Spirituality Workshop

After Matt Meyer leads our November 16th worship services, he will be leading a Drumming and Spirituality Workshop in Scott Hall. This workshop is a chance for people of all skill levels to participate in hands on rhythm-making. We will experience the spirituality of community music-making through different activities, stories, games and discussions as well as look at how rhythm and music intersect with Unitarian Universalist values. Bring your own drum if you have one- for those who don't, enough will be provided. The cost is \$10/person and Matt advises that this is best for ages 11 and up. Tickets will be on sale Nov 2nd - between services, Nov 9th and 16th - after both services. The workshop will start at 12:45 and run for approximately 2 hours. If you have questions, please contact Laura Helliwell at 508.877.1907 or lhelliwell@rcn.com.

Metrowest Interfaith Hospitality Network

Many of you learned about the Interfaith Hospitality Network last spring when Janice Knapp-Cordes and others began to spread the word about the chance for us to put our beliefs and values into action by becoming a host congregation in the MetroWest Interfaith Hospitality Network (MIHN.) After much preparation, the MIHN has officially opened its doors. The first family entered the program on October 15 and others will soon join them.

The network currently consists of 13 host congregations, 8-10 support congregations and the day center at the First Baptist Church in Natick where adult guests work with licensed staff to find suitable housing and other resources. Each host congregation agrees to host up to four homeless families (maximum of fourteen people) for four weeks each year. First Parish's first week to host families will be Christmas week (December 21 - 28.) As hosts, we will provide a place for each family to sleep, a family style dinner each evening and breakfast before the guests return to the day center. Families will sleep in

various rooms in the Parish House. In order to make this a success we will need the help of many volunteers before and during the hosting week. There is something for everyone to do: setting up before the guests arrive, providing meals, spending the evening with guests and perhaps playing with their children, sleeping overnight in the building or donating money for food and basic supplies. Please stop by our information table during coffee hours on November 2 and November 16 to learn about ways that you can make a real difference for several families during a very special time of the year.

YRUU

Is it too early to plan holiday shopping? Not for some folks. YRUU will be holding their annual Parents' Night Out on Friday, December 12. Mark the date on your calendar and stay tuned for more information.

Photo Directory:

We will be producing a new pictorial directory and need you in it to make it the best ever. Pictures will be taken from Thursday November 20th-Saturday November 22nd and Thursday January 8th-Saturday January 10th. We are currently scheduling appointments at both coffee hours. If you are unable to make it to coffee hour, you may call Mary Rose Wells at 508-473-2333 to make an appointment. Appointments will take 30-45 minutes for photography, instant viewing and selection of the portraits for purchase. Every participating family receives a free directory and complimentary 8X10 color portrait. Please help make this directory a success by signing up and getting your picture taken. If you'd like to be involved in putting it together please contact Veena Baker at membership@uuframingham.org or 508-872-3111 ext 218.

Social Action

A bilingual speaker is looking for someone to help her to improve her English pronunciation and writing skills. Please contact Janice Knapp-Cordes, 508-877-3771, or janice.knappcordes@gmail.com, if you are interested in tutoring this woman.

Pies on the Common Wrap-up

Once again we had a beautiful day for the festival that is Pies on the Common. Thanks to all our bakers, we had over 500 freshly baked homemade pies. And by the end of Saturday, every last pie had been sold. We had 45 vendors - many new this year. Thank you to all of you who ... set up tents, tables, and chairs; greeted our vendors; made pies, coffee, fudge, breads, cookies, sausage sandwiches, and chili; grilled hot dogs; sold tickets, drinks, and food; helped little hands with crafts; blew up balloons; painted faces; square danced; and, at the end of the day, cleaned up the common. It was a wonderful time! To those who took Pies on the Common lawn signs, the signs should be returned to the church office. Thank you, Pies on the Common Committee

MICAH

On the ballot in November is an initiative to abolish the state income tax. MICAH is working to educate voters on this ballot question. Besides educating people, we are trying to put together a phone bank in Framingham to call those who are leaning on the no side and to increase voter turnout in some of the precincts. This phone bank could take place at the church or in one's home any evening before next Friday, October 31st. There is already a phone bank taking place on Thursday, October 30th at the Teacher's Association at 1253 Worcester Road in Framingham and more volunteers are welcomed. Individuals usually use their cell phones to make calls. We also need volunteers who will stand outside polls and hold signs on Election Day.

Please contact Julie Bernstein, Question One Organizer, at 603-502-1148 if you're able to help out.

Framingham Center Nursery School News

Framingham Centre Nursery School was founded by First Parish in 1963. Now separately incorporated, we are developmental in philosophy and have been accredited by NAEYC three times. Teachers, all of whom are parents of their own children, are experienced and have been associated with the school an average of 14 years. We offer gym and music classes as part of our program. You are invited to our **Open House and Scholastic Book Fair** on Wednesday, November 19, 2008 from 5:30-6pm.

2008-2009 SCHOOL YEAR

We do still have limited space available for MWF mornings (9:00-11:45 AM) for all ages. More space is available TTh mornings and MWF afternoons (12:15-3:00 PM). Extended time is also possible to create full-day care from 8:00 AM - 5:30 PM. Children must be 2.9 - 4.11 years old to be eligible.

2009-2010 SCHOOL YEAR

We have been scheduling visits since September for parents thinking about enrollment next year for their 2.9 - 4.11 year old child. Applications will go out in early December to everyone interested. They will be due back before December 19 for priority families and by January 1 for non-priority families. Your visit date will determine how quickly your child is offered a space, so please arrange a visit today.

Call Kay in the FCNS office (508-875-8260) for information about 2008-09 and 2009-10 and to schedule a tour.

Youth Chime Choir

NEW!!! Youth Chime Choir (Grades 4-8), starts Sunday, Nov. 9th It's not too late to sign up for the new Chime Choir for kids grades 4-8.

Chimes make a beautiful pure sound and, being quite light-weight, they are easy to ring. It doesn't take a lot of musical knowledge to figure out how to do it, and it sounds absolutely stunning once a piece is learned. We'll start on Nov. 9 with five rehearsals between wor-

ship services, 10:20 to 10:55 AM in the Olympia Brown Room. We'll learn one piece to perform at the first service on Dec. 7 and another piece for the Intergenerational Service (second service) on December 21.

Do invite your child to join us. While it is important that each child recognizes that chime choir is an individual commitment, it is also a very large exercise in team playing. There are no unimportant bells and each ringer relies on everyone else. That said, it is also very fun, exercising the brain in new ways, really targeting a much sounder understanding of note reading and rhythm. Plus, we have a wonderful time making beautiful music together!

I look forward to working with your kids in this endeavor. We already have six kids signed up, but there's room for more. Rehearsals will be in the Olympia Brown Room between services. Contact Trish Ramey at tramey@rcn.com to register your child. See below for the full year's schedule.

2008-9 Schedule for Chime Choir

Rehearsals are in the Olympia Brown Room, 10:20-10:55 unless otherwise noted

Chime Choir, Rehearse: Nov. 9, 16, 23, 30, and Dec.14
Perform: Dec. 7 (1st service)
Dec.21 (2nd service: Intergenerational Service)

Chime Choir, Rehearse: Feb. 1, 8, 15, 22
Perform: Mar. 1 (2nd service)

Chime Choir, Rehearse: Apr.; 5 (12:05-12:45 pm), 12, 19, 26
Perform: May 3 (1st service)

Attention, Children and Youth!

Christmas Eve Youth Choir Starts November 30th

Mark your calendars now so your kids don't miss the first rehearsal on Sunday evening, Nov. 30th. As in years past, the Christmas Eve Youth Choir (for grades 1-12) provides all the choral music at the 4:30 Christmas Eve service. We sing traditional Christmas music, lovely carols often accompanied by handbells, chimes, and other instruments.

There are four consecutive rehearsals that take place on Sunday evenings from 5:45 to 7 pm, starting on November 30th in the Meeting House choir room. There is a final run-through on Christmas Eve at 3:30 PM in the Meeting House choir loft.

It is a beautiful occasion that helps make Christmas a special time for us all. I hope your child can join us. Please contact Trish Ramey at tramey@rcn.com to register so she'll know how many kids to expect.

Schedule

Rehearse: Nov. 30, Dec. 7, 14, 21

5:45-7:00 PM in the Meeting House choir room

Perform: Dec. 24, 4:30 PM; warm-up 3:30 PM in the Meeting House choir loft

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<i>November, 2008</i>						1 » 10:00 AM Silver Grays
2 » 9:15 AM Church Service » 11:00 AM Church Service » 7:00 PM YRUU	3 » 6:00 PM ROUNDS » 7:30 PM Meditation Group VB	4 » 5:00 PM MICAH » 7:00 PM Heritage Chorale » 7:30 PM Stitches In Time	5 >9:30 AM YOGA >11:30 AM Wor.& Art >1:00 PM Stitches I >6:00 PM Junior Youth Group >7:15 PM Tai Chi / Chi Kung >7:30 PM Church Council Meeting >7:30 PM Bell Choir	6 » 8:00 AM COFFEE AND MUFFINS » 5:00 PM The MetroWest Free Medical Program » 7:00 PM RE Council	7 » 1:00 PM MetroWest Free Medical Program	8
9 » 9:15 AM Church Service » 10:20 AM Children's Choir » 11:00 AM Church Service » 2:30 PM New Comers Orientation » 6:30 PM Adult Ed Film Series » 7:00 PM YRUU	10 » 12:00 PM Women's Alliance 6:00 PM ROUNDS » 7:30 PM Meditation Group VB » 7:30 PM FCNS Board Meeting » 7:30 PM FinCom	11 » OFFICE CLOSED - HOLIDAY » 9:00 AM FCNS Special Event 7:00 PM Heritage Chorale » 7:30 PM Stitches In Time	12 » 9:30 AM YOGA I » 1:00 PM Stitches In Time » 6:30 PM Mens Club » 7:15 PM Tai Chi / Chi Kung » 7:30 PM Bell Choir	13 » 8:00 AM COFFEE AND MUFFINS » 5:00 PM The MetroWest Free Medical Program » 7:30 PM Board of Assessors	14	15 » 3:00 PM Roots & Shoots
16 » 9:15 AM Church Service » 9:15 AM RE Childrens' Worship » 10:20 AM Children's Choir » 11:00 AM Church Service » 11:00 AM RE Childrens' Worship » 12:30 PM Drumming and Spirituality » 1:00 PM FCNS » 7:00 PM YRUU	17 » 9:00 AM FCNS Scholastic Book Sale » 6:00 PM ROUNDS » 7:30 PM Meditation Group VB » 7:30 PM Finance Committee	18 » 9:00 AM FCNS Scholastic Book Sale » 3:30 PM Brownies » 6:30 PM Parents & Others » 7:00 PM Heritage Chorale » 7:30 PM Stitches In Time	19 » 9:00 AM FCNS Scholastic Book Sale » 9:30 AM YOGA I » 1:00 PM Stitches I » 2:15 PM Membership-Directory Pictures » 5:00 PM FCNS Special Event » 5:00 PM Hunger Banquet » 6:00 PM Junior Youth Group » 7:00 PM Leadership Unlimited » 7:15 PM Tai Chi / Chi Kung » 7:30 PM Bell Choir	20 » 8:00 AM COFFEE AND MUFFINS » 9:00 AM FCNS Scholastic Book Sale » 2:15 PM Membership-Directory Pictures » 5:00 PM The MetroWest Free Medical Program	21 » 9:00 AM FCNS Scholastic Book Sale » 1:00 PM MetroWest Free Medical Program » 2:15 PM Membership-Directory Pictures	22 » 9:45 AM Membership-Directory Pictures
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A Note from the Editor

Deadline for the November Newsletter is: FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 21! Send your unformatted text to: editor@uuframingham.org.

Membership Corner

New Members

Please give a warm welcome to our newest members Claudia and Ben Gustafson. They signed the membership book in October.

Babysitting pool

There are a few people in the newly formed babysitting pool. Please join in this effort to allow parents of young children to participate more fully in church life. Let me know if you are willing to be put on the list of potential babysitters.

Photo Directory

I look forward to seeing everyone's picture in the photo directory. I mean everyone-newcomers, friends and members. If you haven't done so already, please sign up

to get your picture taken.

Newcomer Orientation

There will be a Newcomer Orientation on Sunday November 9th from 2:30-4:30 in the Huntley room. All Newcomers are invited. This is an opportunity to meet our minister, Rev. Kathleen Hepler, learn more about Unitarian Universalism, meet other newcomers, members and staff of First Parish and ask any questions. Please RSVP to Veena Baker, Membership Development Coordinator at membership@uuframingham.org or 508-872-3111 ext. 218.

Veena Baker

Roots & Shoots

Let's Brainstorm! Roots & Shoots Meeting Sat, Nov 15th 3-5 pm, Scott Hall

Our chapter of Roots & Shoots, the Jane Goodall Institute's global, environmental and humanitarian program for young people, will be brainstorming and choosing new project ideas at this meeting. We will also participate in a "blind hike" and share a tasty snack. This organization is youth-focused, but all events will be multi-generational. Please join us if you love kids, animals and the environment and you want to make a difference in our world! RSVP to Aimee Dalrymple at ADalrymple@alumni.duke.edu or 508-652-9946. Visit www.rootsandshoots.org for more information about this organization.

Heritage Chorale is pleased to present

“AMERICAN CHORAL SONG FROM COAST TO COAST”

John Finney, Conductor
Darryl Hollister, Pianist

Sunday, November 23, 2008 at 4:00 p.m.

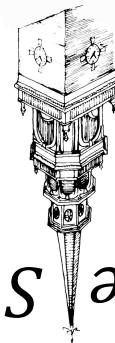
**St. Mark's School, Performing Arts Center,
25 Marlborough Road, Southborough, MA**

Enjoy songs for chorus and piano by two well-known American composers, one from the East Coast and one from the West Coast. New England's Randall Thompson will represent the East Coast through his song-cycle "Frostiana", which is set to the poetry of Robert Frost. Los Angeles composer Morten Lauridsen will represent the West Coast with "Mid-Winter Songs" as well as the lovely "Dirait-on" from his cycle "Les Chansons des Roses".

Tickets prices:

\$20.00 – General Admission
\$15.00 – Seniors and Students
Children 6 to 12 FREE

Tickets will be available for purchase at the door.



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