

### Unitarian Universalism's Seven Principles

Unitarian Universalist congregations affirm and promote seven Principles, which we hold as strong values and moral guides. We live out these Principles within a "living tradition" of wisdom and spirituality, drawn from sources as diverse as science, poetry, scripture, and personal experience.

As Rev. Barbara Wells ten Hove explains, "The Principles are not dogma or doctrine, but rather a guide for those of us who choose to join and participate in Unitarian Universalist religious communities."

- 1st Principle: The inherent worth and dignity of every person;
- 2nd Principle: Justice, equity and compassion in human relations;
- 3rd Principle: Acceptance of one another and encouragement to spiritual growth in our congregations;
- 4th Principle: A free and responsible search for truth and meaning;
- 5th Principle: The right of conscience and the use of the democratic process within our congregations and in society at large;
- 6th Principle: The goal of world community with peace, liberty, and justice for all;
- 7th Principle: Respect for the interdependent web of all existence of which we are a part.

The seven Principles and six Sources of the Unitarian Universalist Association grew out of the grassroots of our communities, were affirmed democratically, and are part of who we are.

### Local Resources

Alcoholics Anonymous: (618) 251-4000

Gamblers Anonymous: (314) 831-4444

Domestic violence: Oasis Women's Center  
(618) 465-1978

Toll Free Hotline: (800) 244-1978

# First Unitarian Church of Alton, IL

## May 7, 2017



## ***"Unitarian Postcards from Transylvania: Do Not Be Indifferent"***

**Sermon by: Dr. Robert Kokenyesi**

***Outward Reaching ~ Inward Seeking***

***We are creating and nurturing an intentional community that  
values acceptance, social justice, and the embodiment of  
UU principles.***

***Come, let us question together.***

Worship 10 a.m. Sundays

110 E. 3<sup>rd</sup> Street, Alton, IL

Wheelchair access via Easton Street entrance

**Worship Associate: Mary Johnson**

**Accompanist: Nicole Robbins**

**Interim Minister: Rev. Dawn Fortune**

## Order of Service

### Gathering Chime

**Welcome and Announcements** Mary Johnson

**Prelude – Invitation to Service: Church Bells from Kolozs**

### Lighting Chalice

We light this chalice, Symbol of Unitarian Universalism. May it remind us of the divine spark within all of creation, the power of love to heal what is broken, and to be grateful for life's blessings each day.

**Opening Words** Dr. Robert Kokenyesi

**Hymn # 352** "Find a Stillness"

**Time for All Ages** "The Face of the King" by Benedek Elek

### Singing the Children to their Classes

Go your way in peace,  
Wander as you may  
Blessed is the path you take,  
May love guide you on your way.

### Sharing in Stewardship

To the work of the church which is weaving a tapestry of love we call community, we dedicate ourselves and these, our offerings.

### Joys and Sorrows

**Hymn #87** "Nearer, My God, to Thee"

### Reading

### Meditation

**Sermon** – "Do Not Be Indifferent" (Jakabhazi Erika's original sermon from Transylvania; translated by Dr. Robert Kokenyesi)-  
Dr. Robert Kokenyesi

**Hymn # 108** "My Life Flows On In Endless Song"

### Extinguish Chalice

We extinguish this flame but not the light of truth, the warmth of community, for the fire of commitment. These we carry in our hearts until we are together again.

### Benediction

**Postlude** – Nicole Robbins



Unitarian church interior, Nyaradszentmarton, Transylvania

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