

*We need not think
alike to love alike.*

FRANCIS DAVID 1510-1579



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***Consider, once more,
the fowls of the air***

**Sunday Services
10.30am & 6.30pm**

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Opening music: *Da Jesus an dem Kreuze stund*
by J. S. Bach (1685-1750)

Period of quiet reflection

Lighting of a candle

Divinity is present everywhere, it fills the world.
But, in certain places and at certain times,
we feel a specialty of presence.
May this be such a place, and such a time.

Prayer & the Lord's Prayer

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth, as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation; but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, the power and the glory, for ever and ever.
Amen.

Hymn 280 (Green book): *Morning has broken*

Welcome, notices, celebrations, collection

NB: Some members donate by way of monthly bank standing order and thus do not contribute to the collection bag.

Readings

Hymn 184 (Green book): *I heard it in the meadow path*

Prayer and time of silent prayer/meditation

Address

This and previous addresses can be read here:
www.cambridgeunitarian.org
<http://andrewjbrown.blogspot.co.uk>

Musical offering: *Prelude on 'Rockingham'* by C. H. Parry
(1848-1918) played by Julian Warren (organ)

An opportunity for conversation

‘Conversation as the natural organ communicating, mind with mind . . .
is the method of human culture. By it I come nearer to those
whom I shall address than by any other means.’

Bronson Alcott (1799-1888)

The brief period of conversation which follows immediately after the address and musical offering is here to allow those present to add short thoughts and additional points to those made by the person who has given the address. The simple purpose is to help enlarge our collective understanding of the complex issues facing us as a contemporary liberal religious community. Contrary viewpoints are genuinely welcome but please try your hardest to avoid engaging in argument at this juncture. There is plenty of opportunity for a more critical engagement with each other immediately after the service and in our ongoing series of Wednesday evening conversations. In doing this we are affirming but one orthodoxy, namely, a love of truth that is a sincere desire to understand how the world is and our place in it.

Hymn 14 (Green book): *For the beauty of the earth*

Prayer for Peace

O Loving God, spirit of hope and peace,
Lead us from death to life, from falsehood to truth.
Lead us from despair to hope, from fear to trust.
Lead us from hate to love, from war to peace.
Let peace fill our hearts, our world, our universe.
Peace, Peace, Peace.

Benediction

Concluding music: *Christus, der uns selig macht*
by J. S. Bach (1685-1750)

**Please remain quietly seated for the concluding music
Tea, coffee and conversation in the church hall.**

This church belongs to a liberal Christian and Enlightenment tradition which welcomes the loving, critical and enquiring spirit. It is founded upon an Open Trust which imposes no doctrinal tests upon its minister or members. We meet in the spirit which is exemplified in the life and utterances of Jesus, for the worship of God and the service of humankind. Anyone accepting this may become a member of this church. Visitors are always warmly welcome and encouraged to contribute to our church life. Our Sunday address is followed by the opportunity for dialogue, debate and even disagreement from the congregation.

We are a democratic, financially independent church and rely upon the generosity of our members, friends and visitors for our income. If, in this service, you have found food for thought and the soul please consider contributing to the collection. If you have been attending over a period of a few weeks and feel able to contribute regularly, the easiest and most efficient way of doing this is by monthly standing order. For taxpayers, by gift aiding your contribution, e.g. £25 monthly (£6 weekly) becomes £31.25 for church funds.

Everyone is invited to become a “friend” of the church. You’ll be added to our email list and receive regular bulletins. If you have been attending over a period of six months or more, why not gain a vote and a stronger voice by becoming a “member”? Please ask a member of the committee.

NOTICES

This Wednesday sees the last of the current series of **evening conversations**. They start at 7.30 for 8pm and finish at 9.30pm. All welcome. The conversation starts with the theme of today’s address and then goes where it will.

The religious naturalist lent course we ran last year, **Outstretched Wings of the Spirit – On Being Intelligently and Devotedly Religious**, is available on the church website at the following address:

<http://www.cambridgeunitarian.org/reflection/lent-course>

The concert violinist, Mifune Tsuji, who often plays for us, is playing this Friday, 6th March, 1:10pm-2.00pm at the Mumford Theatre at Anglia Ruskin University. Entrance free. The programme is a mix of solo, duo and trio works including music by Astor Piazzolla, Philip Glass, Percy Grainger and original trio by saxophonist Russell Peterson.