

## Facilities

### Worship Hall

Many community groups and musicians use our main hall for events and performances. The hall, with its soaring ceiling of western red cedar and beautiful view of surrounding wooded areas, is designed for grand occasions.

A warm acoustic and new Steinway grand piano make it a superb venue for concerts and recording. Theatre-style seating accommodates three hundred.

### Fellowship Hall

This bright, open hall is used for presentations, seminars, and luncheons. It has a large kitchen adjacent to it and is close to the washrooms. At about seven hundred sq. ft., it seats a hundred people using rows of tables, fewer if the seating is café style.

### Meeting Rooms

Our building has a variety of rooms suitable for meetings, located close to facilities and easily serviced from kitchen areas. All rooms have views of the outdoors: wooded areas, the Meditation Gardens, the Ottawa River, or the Gatineau Hills.

### The Meditation Gardens

Our carefully-tended gardens are an Ontario *Communities in Bloom* award-winner. With walkways and a pond, they are a perfect spot for photographs, or an outdoor wedding.



Our building is our heritage.

To manage it ethically and sustainably, First Unitarian Congregation welcomes the community for events, conferences and rites of passage, and shares resources with non-profits who need stable and affordable office space.

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## About Us

First Unitarian Congregation of Ottawa is a spiritual community of over five hundred people who come from many different backgrounds and orientations, working together to create a supportive, inclusive community and a just, compassionate, and sustainable world.

Our members support Environmental Action, Social Justice, and a share a passion for the arts, music, and gardening.

First Unitarian is a lively, hospitable place. Besides worship services and the activities of a busy congregation—including our annual Fall Fair, which attracts thousands of visitors—we host art exhibits, concerts, lectures, conferences, community groups and rites of passage.

Our landmark building is situated on a six-acre campus adjacent to the Ottawa River Parkway. Close to the Transitway and the village of Westboro, we are easily accessible from Richmond Road, the Parkway, and NCC bike paths, and minutes from the Queensway.

## Concerts and Events

After four and a half years of apple pie sales and fundraising concerts, the congregation took delivery of a gleaming new Steinway grand piano in April, 2007. Installed in Worship Hall, the new Steinway is beautifully shown off by the hall's wood-panelled walls, curving beams of western red cedar, and exceptional warm acoustic.

The hall is a splendid setting for intimate concerts, having clear site lines and comfortable seating for three hundred. It has drawn many noted musicians: classical pianists Andrew Tunis, Stéphane Lemelin, and Angela Hewitt; soprano Donna Brown; violinist Donnie Deacon; trumpeter Karen Donnelly; jazz pianists Brian Browne and Bill Mays; and singer/songwriter Ian Tamblyn.

## Meetings and Conferences

From an auditorium to small meeting rooms for break-out groups, First Unitarian can offer bright, comfortable rooms for almost any function.

## Services

- system for those who are hard-of-hearing
- Steinway B 7' grand piano
- piano tuning available
- green room
- wireless internet
- audio-visual equipment and conference calling
- multi-purpose rooms from 245 to 700 sq. ft.
- event, conference and exhibit space
- large, fully-equipped kitchen
- ample free parking
- gardens, picnic area
- decks, outdoor grill
- sheltered bicycle parking
- adjacent to the Ottawa River Parkway and NCC bike paths
- close to bus routes and the Transitway
- accessible male and female washrooms
- baby change areas
- elevator to all levels

## Contact Us

If you are interested in renting space at 30 Cleary for a concert, meeting, or other event, please call the congregational office at 613-725-1066 or e-mail [adminservices@firstunitarianottawa.ca](mailto:adminservices@firstunitarianottawa.ca).

Bookings and set-up for all events are handled by professional, experienced staff.