Three Rings for the Elven-kings under the sky,
Seven for the dwarf-lords in their halls of stone,
Nine for Mortal Men doomed to die,
One for the Dark Lord on his dark throne,
In the Land of Mordor where the Shadows lie.

One Ring to rule them all, One Ring to find them,
One Ring to bring them all and in the darkness bind them
In the Land of Mordor where the Shadows lie.

Among codimension-1 foliations in 3-manifolds, there is a nice family
called taut foliations. A universal circle is the circle which binds all the circles
at infinity of leaves of a taut foliation. I will tell you a story about it with a
little bit of math.

Refreshments will be served at 3:55 pm in the math lounge.