

# FIRST UNIVERSALIST UNITARIAN CHURCH

*Gathered in 1870*



## ORDER OF WORSHIP

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Sunday, April 26, 2020  
10:30 a.m.

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## PRELUDE

Canticle of the Sun

*Marty Haugen*

## CALL TO WORSHIP

## HYMN

No. 21, "For the Beauty of the Earth"

*Dix*

For the beauty of the earth, for the splendor of the skies,  
for the love which from our birth over and around us lies:

Refrain: Source of all, to thee we raise this, our hymn of grateful praise.

For the joy of ear and eye, for the heart and mind's delight,  
for the mystic harmony linking sense to sound and sight: [Refrain]

For the wonder of each hour of the day and of the night,  
hill and vale and tree and flower, sun and moon and stars of light: [Refrain]

For the joy of human care, sister, brother, parent, child,  
for the kinship we all share, for all gentle thoughts and mild: [Refrain]

## CHALICE LIGHTING

We light this chalice for the light of truth,  
the warmth of love,  
and the fire of commitment.  
We light this symbol of our faith  
as we gather together.

## DOXOLOGY

From all that dwell below the skies  
let songs of hope and faith arise;  
let peace, good will on earth be sung  
through every land, by every tongue.

## STORY FOR ALL AGES

## SINGING THE CHILDREN ON THEIR WAY

May peace surround you, may love surround you  
as you go, as you go, as you go on your way. (Repeat)

## PRAYER AND MEDITATION

### HYMN

No. 123, "Spirit of Life"  
Spirit of Life, come unto me.  
Sing in my heart all the stirrings of compassion.  
Blow in the wind, rise in the sea;  
move in the hand, giving life the shape of justice.  
Roots hold me close; wings set me free;  
Spirit of Life, come to me, come to me.

*Spirit of Life*

### READING

Isaiah 2:1-4

### INTERLUDE

Tenderly

*Christopher Norton*

### SERMON

Possibly We Will

### HYMN

No. 1064, "Blue Boat Home"  
Though below me, I feel no motion standing on these mountains and plains.  
Far away from the rolling ocean still my dry land heart can say:  
I've been sailing all my life now, never harbor or port have I known.  
The wide universe is the ocean I travel and the earth is my blue boat home.

*Hyfrodol*

Sun my sail and moon my rudder as I ply the starry sea,  
leaning over the edge in wonder, casting questions into the deep.  
Drifting here with my ship's companions, all we kindred pilgrim souls,  
making our way by the lights of the heavens in our beautiful blue boat home.

I give thanks to the waves upholding me, hail the great winds urging me on,  
greet the infinite sea before me, sing the sky my sailor's song:  
I was born upon the fathoms, never harbor or port have I known.  
The wide universe is the ocean I travel, and the earth is my blue boat home.

### BENEDICTION

### MUSIC

Starlight, Star Bright

*James Durst*

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# ANNOUNCEMENTS

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## WELCOME

The preacher is the Reverend Brian Mason, Minister. The worship leader is Julie Trombley, Director of Religious Education. The music is provided by Margaret Jerz, Music Director, and Dänika Kozlovich, Congregational Administrator.

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## OUR MISSION

*To transform ourselves and the larger community by being a bright and welcoming sanctuary of hope, compassion, service, and understanding—allowing individuals of differing spiritual and religious beliefs to experience acceptance and support, a sense of belonging, and continued personal growth as part of a free-thinking, inclusive church community.*

## OUR VISION

*We are a safe haven, where all are accepted, valued, and connected. We support and encourage each other in exploring our religious, spiritual, and intellectual paths. Through our shared ministry, music, and meditation, we rejoice and mourn together. We are active partners in service to others. We bring light to social justice issues and are conduits for sparking change in ourselves, our community, and the world.*

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