

FIRST UNIVERSALIST UNITARIAN CHURCH
Gathered in 1870



ORDER OF WORSHIP

Sunday, May 3, 2020
10:30 a.m.

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PRELUDE

Cristofori's Dream

David Lanz

CALL TO WORSHIP

HYMN

No. 346, "Come, Sing a Song with Me"

A Rose in Winter

Come, sing a song with me,
come, sing a song with me,
come, sing a song with me,
that I might know your mind.

Chorus: And I'll bring you hope
when hope is hard to find,
and I'll bring a song of love
and a rose in the wintertime.

Come, dream a dream with me,
come, dream a dream with me,
come, dream a dream with me,
that I might know your mind. [Chorus]

Come, walk in rain with me,
come, walk in rain with me,
come, walk in rain with me,
that I might know your mind. [Chorus]

Come, share a rose with me,
come, share a rose with me,
come, share a rose with me,
that I might know your mind. [Chorus]

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

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.

READING

"Warning"

Jenny Joseph

INTERLUDE

Memory

Jeanne Cotter

SERMON

Livin' a Life Is Like Piecin' a Quilt

HYMN

No. 1028, "The Fire of Commitment"

Fire of Commitment

From the light of days remembered burns a beacon bright and clear
Guiding hands and hearts and spirits Into faith set free from fear.

Chorus: When the fire of commitment sets our mind and soul a blaze
When our hunger and our passion meet to call us on our way
When we live with deep assurance of the flame that burns within
Then our promise finds fulfillment and our future can begin.

From the stories of our living rings a song both brave and free
Calling pilgrims still to witness to the life of liberty [Chorus]

From the dreams of youthful vision comes a new, prophetic voice
Which demands a deeper justice built by our courageous choice [Chorus]

BENEDICTION

MUSIC

May-Day Carol

Deems Taylor

ANNOUNCEMENTS

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WELCOME

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

Today's throwback sermon by The Reverend Glenda C. Walker (1933-2020) was originally preached on June 13, 1993, on the occasion of her 60th birthday. Glenda served the church as Minister from 1990 until her retirement, in 2000, when the congregation honored her as Minister Emerita.

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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