

THE FIRST UNIVERSALIST UNITARIAN CHURCH

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ORDER OF SERVICE

March 21, 2021 | 10:30 a.m.

PRELUDE

“Farewell, Amparo”

David Lanz

CALL TO WORSHIP & 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.

HYMN NO. 21 - “For the Beauty of the Earth” *words: F.S. Pierpoint, music C. Kocher*

For the beauty of the earth, for the splendor of the skies,
for the love which from our birth over and around us lies:
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:
Source of all, to thee we raise this, our hymn of grateful praise.

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

For the joy of human care, sister, brother, parent, child,
for the kinship we all share, for all gentle thoughts and mild:
Source of all, to thee we raise this, our hymn of grateful praise.

POEM FOR ALL AGES & CHILDREN’S SONG

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

PRAYER & SILENT MEDITATION

HYMN NO. 352 - "FIND A STILLNESS"

*Words: C. Seaburg
Music: Transylvanian hymn tune*

Find a stillness, hold a stillness, let the stillness carry me.
Find the silence, hold the silence, let the silence carry me.
In the spirit, by the spirit, with the spirit giving power,
I will find true harmony.

Seek the essence, hold the essence, let the essence carry me.
Let me flower, help me flower, watch me flower, carry me.
In the spirit, by the spirit, with the spirit giving power,
I will find true harmony.

READING

John 12:24-25

MUSIC MEDITATION

"Interlude"

Mark Hayes

SERMON

"You Can't Make Yourself Love"

HYMN NO. 108 - "MY LIFE FLOWS ON IN ENDLESS SONG"

R. Lowry

My life flows on in endless song above earth's lamentation.
I hear the real though far-off hymn that hails a new creation.
Through all the tumult and the strife I hear the music ringing.
It sounds an echo in my soul. How can I keep from singing!

What though the tempest 'round me roars, I know the truth, it liveth.
What though the darkness 'round me close, songs in the night it giveth.
No storm can shake my inmost calm while to that rock I'm clinging.
Since love prevails in heav'n and earth, how can I keep from singing!

When tyrants tremble as they hear the bells of freedom ringing,
when friends rejoice both far and near, how can I keep from singing!
To prison cell and dungeon vile our thoughts to them are winging;
when friends by shame are undefiled, how can I keep from singing!

OFFERTORY SENTENCE

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.

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

“May You Always Have a Song”

Words and music: S. Albrecht & J. Althouse

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WELCOME

Today is Sunday, March 21. The preacher and service leader is the Reverend Brian Mason. The music for this Sunday’s service is provided by Margaret Jerz and Dänika Kozlovich.

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NEXT SUNDAY’S SERVICE

Next Sunday, March 28, is Palm Sunday, and the first full day of Passover.
The preacher will be Brian Mason.