

Unitarian Universalist Society

Order of Service

May 24th, 2020



It's a dangerous business, Frodo, going out your door. You step onto the road, and if you don't keep your feet, there's no knowing where you might be swept off to.

—Bilbo Baggins, *The Fellowship of the Ring*

Welcome

Peggy Garrigues,
Director of Congregational Life

Call to Gather

In the Meantime, by Kathleen Rolenz

Rev. Diane Dowgiert

Chalice Lighting

Heidi Sinderman,
Worship Associate

Leader: Life is a gift for which we are grateful.

People: *We gather in community to celebrate the wonder and mystery of this great gift.*

Leader: So let us now kindle the flame of our liberal religious heritage and renew our covenant of mutual love and care:

People: *Love is our doctrine, the quest for truth is our sacrament, and service is our prayer. To dwell together in peace, to seek knowledge in freedom, and to serve those in need, this we promise, this we covenant with Life and one another.*

Prelude

How Can I Keep From Singing, by Robert Lowry,
arr. Adam Poss

Time for All Ages

Little Mole Finds Hope, by Glenys Nellist

Jessica Zimmer,
Director of
Religious Education

Hymn

#1020 *Woyaya*

Gerry Pearson

Offering

Prelude "In Memoriam," by Dianne Goolkasian Rahbee
(Today's Offerings Benefit Table to Table)

Aura Strohschein

Meditation

A Prayer for Memorial Day, by Wayne Arnason

Rev. Diane Dowgiert

Meditative Music	<i>Taps.... United States Army Bugle Call</i>	Aura Strohschein
Reading	<i>A Goodbye in Every Hello</i> , by Tricia Brennan	Heidi Sinderman
Message	The Promise of This Opening	Rev. Diane Dowgiert
Hymn	<i>#131 Love Will Guide Us</i>	Gerry Pearson
Extinguishing the Chalice	<i>We extinguish this flame, but not the light of truth, the warmth of community, or the fire of commitment. All these we carry in our hearts and in our minds until we are together again.</i>	Heidi Sinderman
Benediction		Rev. Diane Dowgiert
Traveling Music	<i>Battle Hymn of the Republic</i>	Aura Strohschein



Have UU Heard? Congregational Announcements

- Picture Directories:** Everyone who either had a photo taken or submitted a photo of their own or requested that we include their photo from the previous directory will receive a copy at no additional charge. If you can't remember whether you submitted a photo, contact Peggy at dcl@uusic.org. We will leave the directories out in the entryway for anyone who is able to pick them up. Please note that there is a label with your last name on the back of each directory, and they are organized alphabetically. Please make sure you only pick up your directory, and if your household has more than one last name, you might need to check both names. We will have a list to check off your name once you have picked up your directory. If you will not be able to pick up your directory, or you really do not want it left out in the entryway, please contact Peggy to let us know that you want it to be mailed to you. It will cost \$2.80 for each directory that we mail, so consider adding a little to your next donation to cover postage. We also have limited numbers of extra directories that are available for purchase. They will be available first-come, first-serve at a cost of \$10 if you are willing to pick it up in the UUS entryway, or \$12.80 if you would like it mailed to you. To order a directory that you will pay for, contact Peggy at dcl@uusic.org.

- **UU Wellspring: Info Sessions for 2020-21 Group:** This coming year we will once again offer UU Wellspring, a program for those who want to deepen their spiritual practices and expand their understanding of UU values. UU Wellspring incorporates five elements designed to balance a knowledge of UU history/ theology with personal spiritual practice and engagement with the world: 1. A commitment to daily spiritual practice; 2. Participation in a small-group community; 3. Individual work with a spiritual director; 4. Readings and resources for knowledge and reflection; and 5. Reflection and commitment to live out our values in the world. The program will begin with a Saturday retreat or virtual retreat in September, then meet (either by Zoom or in-person when safe) for two hours every two weeks, most likely on a Monday or Tuesday, from September through June. There will be articles to read and/or video clips to watch before each session. We will offer information sessions in a breakout room after the Sunday services, on Sunday, May 31st, and Sunday, June 14th, and also an evening Zoom session on Monday, June 1st, at 7 pm. To learn more about Wellspring, contact Peggy Garrigues (dcl@uusic.org) with questions.
- **Thank you RE Volunteers and Staff:** Our RE year may not have ended the way we expected, but I hope you'll join us in thanking our many volunteers and staff for their dedication to our RE program and participants and all the energy and fun they created this year! Our heartfelt and deep appreciation to: Betsy Fisher, Alice Atkinson, Deb Schoelerman, Nancy Noyer, Dana Van Abbema, Linda Rice, Kara Beauchamp, Virginia Miller, Rochelle Honey-Arcement, Victoria Samala, Vicki Siefers, Maureen Patterson, Mary McMurray, Halie Lopez, Ernie Cox, Kathleen Kingman, Sarah Holmes, Dan Gall, Marsha Cheyney, John Lanaghan, Sarah Ross, Brenda Linley, Jim Trepka, Dave Tokuhisa, Anna Rode, Abby Patterson, and Kaylee Lopez!
- **Come Enjoy the UUS Outdoors:** Our building may be closed, but our land welcomes you! The UUS Land Ministry Team invites you to explore on your own or with your family. Walk our beautiful labyrinth. Check out our fenced-in wildflower garden in the southwest corner below the labyrinth. Meditate on a bench while enjoying the solitude of the woodland paths. Look for deer, birds, and groundhogs. Enjoy!