

The First Unitarian Universalist Society of Middleborough
May 10, 2020 *Mother's Day*

Gathering Music **Juli Gould (flute) and Nancy Kidd (double bass)**
A Quarantined Spring by Forest Loomis-Dulong

Welcome & Announcements

Hymn *There's a River Flowin' in My Soul* (See page 3)

Call to Worship by James Baldwin

Chalice Lighting (*Everyone can light their candles at home.*)
My Child by Stephen Shick

Chalice Lighting Response *May We Shine a Light of Love*
Words & Music by Joyce Poley

***May we shine a light of love,
May we shine a light of love,
With ev'ry thought,
With ev'ry step we take
May we shine a light of love.***

Musical Offering **Ed Priest**
by Carole King
You've Got a Friend

Message for All Ages **Kelly Lownds**
by Audrey Penn
The Kissing Hand

Time of Meditation
Call to Meditation Words & Music by Carolyn McDade
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.***

Meditation by Sarah Person
Prayer for Mother's Day
Inspired by Rev. Katie Lee Crane "May Means Mother's Day," a reading available at uua.org.

Reading by Daisy Zamora
*Mother's Day – To My Children/
Dia de las Madres – A mi hija e hijos*

Sermon **Rev. Sarah Person**
Separation Anxiety

Offertory by Jeffrey David Hooven
Morning Meditation

Hymn *Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee* (See page 4)

Unison Benediction *Go out into the world in peace.
Have courage.
Hold on to what is good.
Return to no person evil for evil.
Strengthen the fainthearted.
Support the weak.
Help the suffering.
Honor all beings.*

Sung Benediction *Go Lifted Up* Words & Music by Mortimer Barron
*Go lifted up, Love bless your way,
moonlight, starlight guide your journey into peace
and the brightness of day.*

Organ Postlude *Dorian Echo Fantasy*
by Jan Pieterszoon Sweelinck (1562-1621)

Extinguishing the Chalice (*Spoken in unison*) by Becky Laurent
*As flame is to spirit, so spirit is to breath,
and breath to song.
Though we extinguish the flame in this sanctuary,
may we tend it in our hearts until we meet again.*

There's a River Flowin' in My Soul

Words & Music by Rose Sanders

There's a river flowin' in my soul.
There's a river flowin' in my soul.
And it's tellin' me that I'm somebody
There's a river flowin' in my soul.

There's a river flowin' in my heart.
There's a river flowin' in my heart.
And it's tellin' me that I'm somebody
There's a river flowin' in my heart.

There's a river flowin' in my mind.
There's a river flowin' in my mind.
And it's tellin' me that I'm somebody
There's a river flowin' in my mind.

There's a river flowin'
There's a river flowin'
There's a river flowin' in my soul.

Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee

Words: Henry Van Dyke
Music: Ludwig van Beethoven

Joyful, joyful, we adore thee,
God of glory, God of love;
hearts unfold like flowers before thee,
hail thee as the sun above.
Melt the clouds of sin and sadness;
drive the pain of doubt away;
giver of immortal gladness,
fill us with the joy of day.

All thy works with joy surround thee,
earth and heav'n reflect thy rays,
stars and planets sing around thee,
center of unbroken praise;
field and forest, vale and mountain,
blossoming meadow, flashing sea,
chanting bird and flowing fountain,
call us to rejoice in thee.

Thou art giving and forgiving,
ever blessing, ever blest;
well-spring of the joy of living,
ocean depth of happy rest.
Ever singing march we onward,
victors in the midst of strife;
joyful music lifts us sunward
in the triumph song of life.