

The First Unitarian Universalist Society of Middleborough

October 11, 2020

10:30 a.m.

Prelude

Patty & Barry Simon

Zuni Sunrise/Sioux Chant

Trad. Native American, arr. B. Simon

Welcome and Announcements

Rev. Sarah Person

Hymn

#131

Love Will Guide Us (See page 4)

Opening Reading (In unison)

by Barnaby Feder

Spirit of Life,

***May our fumbling tongues be blessed
so that chatter becomes prayer
and prayer becomes concerted action.***

***May our restless minds be blessed
so that insight becomes will
and will becomes effective action.***

***May our anxious hearts be blessed
so that longing becomes love
and love guides our every action.***

Chalice Lighting

by Brian Kiely

(Everyone can light their candles at home.)

In times of darkness, we stumble
toward the tiny flame.

***In times of cold, we seek
the warming fire.***

In times of repression, we reach
for the lamp of truth.

***In times of loss, we pray
for the comforting light.***

In times of joy, we light
a candle of celebration.

***(ALL) Spirit of Life, as we kindle this light,
help us find what we need this day.***

Chalice Lighting Response *May We Shine a Light of Love* 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.*

Message for All Ages **Kelly Lownds**
The Story of Harvey Milk and the Rainbow Flag
by Rob Sanders and Steven Salerno

Prayer by Aryanto Nugroho

Excerpt from *I'm Coming Out* by Nile Rodgers and Barnard Edwards
Performed by Diana Ross

Sermon *I'm Coming Out* **Rev. Sarah Person**

Hymn #168 *One More Step (See page 5)*

Offertory *Vivace from Voluntary I* by William Boyce

Offertory Response #402 *From You I Receive* by Joseph and Nathan Segal
*From you I receive, to you I give,
together we share, and from this we live.*

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 #1057 *Go Lifted Up* by Mortimer Barron
*Go lifted up,
Love bless your way,
moonlight, starlight guide your journey into peace
and the brightness of day.*

Extinguishing the Chalice *(In unison)*

by Brian Kiely

***The Chalice is extinguished,
but its light lives on in the minds
and the hearts and the souls of each one of us.***

***Let us carry the flame with us and
share it with those we know,
with those we love, and most
especially, with those we have yet to meet.***

Postlude

Tony Soares

Over the Rainbow by Harburg/Arlen, arr. Coates

Music Notes

Kudos to Patty & Barry Simon (Starry Night Duo) and Tony Soares for sharing their music this morning. "Zuni Sunrise/Sioux Chant" is from Starry Night's latest CD, featuring birdsong, flutes, and percussion. Such a treat to hear Tony sing "Over the Rainbow."

Love Will Guide Us

Words: Sally Rogers

Music: Traditional, arr. by Betty A. Wylder

Love will guide us, peace has tried us,
hope inside us will lead the way
on the road from greed to giving.
Love will guide us through the hard night.

If you cannot sing like angels,
if you cannot speak before thousands,
you can give from deep within you.
You can change the world with your love.

Love will guide us, peace has tried us,
hope inside us will lead the way
on the road from greed to giving.
Love will guide us through the hard night.

One More Step

Words & Music: Joyce Poley

One more step, we will take one more step,
'til there is peace for us and everyone,
we'll take one more step.

One more word, we will say one more word,
'til every word is heard by everyone,
we'll say one more word.

One more prayer, we will say one more prayer,
'til every prayer is shared by everyone,
we'll say one more prayer.

One more song, we will sing one more song,
'til every song is sung by everyone,
we'll sing one more song.