

The First Unitarian Universalist Society of Middleborough
October 13, 2024 10:30 a.m.

- Chimes** **Teddy Rowe**
- Organ Prelude** *The Garden Walk* by Gary Davidson
- Welcome** **Valerie Fontaine**
- Hymn*** #44 *We Sing of Golden Mornings*
- Call to Worship** **Dorine Levasseur**
This Our Home, But Not Just Ours by Laura Bogle
- Chalice Lighting** **Isla Rowe**
- Chalice Lighting Response**
May We Shine a Light of Love (See back cover)
- Musical Offering** **Chalice Ensemble**
Water Is Life ~ Mni Wičoni by Sara Thomsen
- Unison Reading - Covenant Statement** **Diane Reed**
Creating a caring community is the promise of our church. To listen deeply, show compassion, build trust, and honor our differences: these things we covenant together.
- Message for All Ages** **Kelly Lownds**
Indigenous Peoples' Day by Katrina M. Phillips
- Children's Recessional** *(Children leave at this time.)*
Children's Blessing (See back cover)
- Reading** *UUs and Indigenous Peoples Day* **Diane Reed**
- Hymn*** #1069 *Ancient Mother*
- Introduction to Our Speaker** **Diane Reed**

Cultural Talk

Jill Lauzon

*The Herring Pond Wampanoag:
A Journey Through History and Resilience*

Offertory

Shadow Dancer

by Spencer Brewer & Eric Tingstad

The Cash in the Plate today will be donated to the Salvation Army for Hurricane Helene relief.

Hymn*

#163

For the Earth Forever Turning

Closing Words

Dody Adkins-Perry

A Prayer for Every Time

Traditional

Unison Benediction

Diane Reed

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.

Postlude

wind whirls

by Margaret Goldston

Announcements

Diane Reed

Joys and Concerns

Diane Reed

Sung Benediction

Go Lifted Up (See back cover)

** Please stand as you are able.*

Thank you to all who helped with today's service:

Greeters: Lois Aldrich and Lauren Haugh
Worship Associates: Valerie Fontaine, Diane Reed,
Dorine Levasseur, Dody Adkins-Perry
Sound: Stephen Larrett
Live Streaming: Cate Vanzant
Coffee Hour Hosts: Kelly Lownds and Nicole Sykes

This morning we welcome Jill Lauzon to the pulpit. Jill is a direct descendant of Sachem Quachattacett from the royal line of the Monument Ponds/Herring Pond Wampanoags and has dedicated over 20 years to serving as the Tribe's genealogist.

The Herring Pond Wampanoag Tribe remains deeply committed to protecting their ancestral land and cultural heritage while engaging in modern programs that promote wellness and sustainability.

About the Herring Pond Wampanoag Tribe: The Herring Pond Wampanoag Tribe is one of the oldest Indigenous Communities in the Plymouth region. Committed to preserving their culture, land, and traditions, the Tribe leads initiatives in wellness, education, and cultural preservation.

Music Notes

Kudos to the Chalice Ensemble for singing today's musical offering, written and arranged by Sara Thomsen. In her words, "This song was inspired by and in tribute to the Standing Rock Sioux Tribal members and all the tribes, nations, native and non-native people coming together to protect the land and water threatened by the construction of the Dakota Access Pipeline. The song came to me on my return from Standing Rock. Before leaving, a meadowlark was singing right outside my tent. 'Be a lark from the meadow. Be a lark from THIS meadow.' I heard it sing. We, too, can be larks from the meadow. We, too, can sing in the new day."

Our Mission:

To create and sustain a welcoming and caring community that embodies our UU principles, inspires spiritual growth without dogma or creed, and promotes and serves racial and social justice.

RELIGIOUS EXPLORATION

Religious Exploration Children's Classes

How can we save the bees? In our conversations about nature's partnerships, it is important that we consider bees and how important they are to our ecosystem. We will be going on a nature hike today if the weather allows, so bring your warm weather or rain gear if needed!

Youth Group

We are meeting today from 12:00 to 2:00 p.m. in the Parish Hall. We will be working on our panels. What do we see in the mirror, and what do we see when we look out the window? We will invite some adults to share their church journey today and will begin seriously adding to our murals for the year.

Nursery During the Worship Service

Niko Pucillo-Dunphy and Jesse Hoyle offer child care during the church service. Please feel free to bring your infants and toddlers to have fun with Niko and Jesse while you are in the sanctuary participating in the service.

Registration

If you haven't already, please register your children for the program. We will need updated (or new) information to ensure we know the children as best we can as our class time goes by fast, and we always want to make sure we have the right snacks! You can register using the link on the RE page on the church website or see me.

Kelly Lownds, Director of Religious Exploration

CHALICE LIGHTING RESPONSES:

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.

Rise Up, O Flame (#362)

Words: Anonymous; Music: Christoph Praetorius

Rise up, O flame, by thy light glowing,
Show to us beauty, vision, and joy.

CHILDREN'S CALL TO R.E. CLASSES:

Children's Blessing

by First UU Nashville Youth Choir

May your mind be open to new learning.
May your lips bring truth into the world.
May your heart know love, and your hands do the work of justice,
as you go your way in peace,
as you go your way in peace.

Go Now in Peace (#413)

Words & Music by Natalie Sleeth

Go now in peace, Go now in peace.
May the love of God surround you everywhere,
Everywhere you may go.

SUNG BENEDICTIONS:

Go Lifted Up (#1057 teal hymnal)

Words & Music by Mortimer Barron

Go lifted up, Love bless your way,
moonlight, starlight guide your journey into peace
and the brightness of day.

Go Your Way in Peace

by Mozart/Jim Scott

Go your way in peace, wander as you may,
Blessed is the path you take: may love guide you on your way.