

Unitarian Universalist Congregation of South County

Order of Service November 7, 2021

Sound the Chime

Welcome, Announcements, Introduction of Speaker David Caruso

Opening Hymn For All That Is Our Life

Hymn # 128

Opening Words "Compassion Unbound" by Koun Yamada

Chalice Lighting May the light of this chalice remind us of the light and love within each us. May we share this light with all sentient beings.

Covenant Love is the spirit of this congregation, and service is its prayer.

This is our great covenant: To dwell together in peace,

To seek the truth in love, And to help one another.

Hymn With Joy We Claim the Growing Light

Hymn # 345

Responsive Reading "A Blessing for the Journey" by Wendy Egyoku Nakao (over)

Joys & Concerns

Offertory and Share the Plate

Music for Offertory Adagio from Sonatina in G Major, Op. 36, No. 3, Muzio Clementi

Sermon "Wisdom and Compassion in Zen Buddhism" David Caruso

Closing Hymn We'll Build A Land

Hymn # 121

Closing Words "Wisdom and Compassion in Zen Buddhism" David Caruso

Extinguishing the Chalice

We extinguish this chalice, but not its light. That we take with us out into the world, sharing it with those we encounter on our journey.

Closing Song

Carry the flame of peace and love until we meet again (3 times).

A Blessing for the Journey

Let us vow to bear witness to the wholeness of life, realizing the completeness of each and every thing.

Embracing our differences, I shall know myself as you, and you as myself.

May we serve each other for all our days, here, there, and everywhere.

Let us vow to open ourselves to the abundance of life.

Freely giving and receiving, I shall care for you, for the trees and stars, as treasures of my very own.

May we be grateful for all our days, here, there, and everywhere.

Let us vow to forgive all hurt, caused by ourselves and others, and never condone hurtful ways.

Being responsible for my actions, I shall free myself and you. Will you free me too?

May we be kind for all our days, here, there, and everywhere.

May we give no fear for all our days, here, there, and everywhere.

Let us vow to remember - all that appears will disappear. In the midst of uncertainty, let us sow love.

Here! Now! I call to you: Let us together live the Great Peace we are.