Unitarian Universalist Congregation of South County

Order of Service April 23, 2023

Native and Modern Stewards of Earth and Water
in Loving Memory of Dorothy Devine

Sounding the Chime

Welcome and Announcements

Opening Hymn

Chalice Lighting

Opening Words from "Planting Sweetgrass," "Tending Sweetgrass," Preface; read by Sally Barney and Penny Hall

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.

Joys and Concerns

Offering

Offertory

Reading from "*MishkosKenomagwen*: The Teachings of the Grass"; read by Jeanne Arthur

Hymn

Sermon "Saugatucket Stewards" Bill McClusker

Hymn

Closing Words from "*MishkosKenomagwen*: The Teachings of the Grass"; read by Adria Evans

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 (3x)

All readings are from *Braiding Sweetgrass: Indigenous Wisdom, Scientific Knowledge and the Teachings of Plants* by Robin Wall Kimmerer.

Newcomers, please fill out a yellow welcome card, which you can find in your hymnal, and put it in the collection basket during the offering.

Rev. Denis Letourneau Paul, Minister

Michael Galib, Music Director

Lee Cowan, Director of Religious Education

Sara Kaplow, Congregational Administrator, Susan Rogala, Congregational Bookkeeper

Rev. Denis's Schedule: Office hours Tuesdays & Thursdays 10-4
Upcoming Beverages & Banter: Thursday, April 27, 11 am on Zoom
Next furlough week May 15th to May 22nd.