Unitarian Universalist Congregation of South County

Order of Service July 30, 2023

The Times They are a Changin' – Spiritual Reflections from the 2023 General Assembly

Sounding the Chime

Welcome and Announcements *Susan Strakosch*

Opening Hymn *#131 Love Will Guide Us (hymns accompanied by Chris Johnson)*

Opening Words #558 *Susan Strakosch*

Chalice Lighting *Mary Fulton*

We light this chalice. It is a symbol of our chosen faith. May its light shine in our hearts and help us to live according to our principles.

Reciting the Covenant Together *Susan Strakosch*

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 *Susan Strakosch*

Responsive Reading *#594 Mary Fulton*

Offering/Offertory *The Times They are a Changin'* written by Bob Dylan
Performed by Nick Smith

Reading *CHANGE, a poem by Kathleen Raine Betsy Dalton*

Hymn *Spirit of Life (2x*) Hymn #123

Sermon *The Times They are a Changin' – Spiritual Reflections from the 2023 General Assembly* *Betsy Dalton*

Closing Hymn *There is More Love Somewhere* Hymn #95

Closing Words *#693 Susan Strakosch*

Extinguishing the Chalice *Betsy Dalton*

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 *Accompanied by Chris Johnson*

Carry the flame of peace and love, until we meet again (3x)

Note: Our sincere thanks to Nick, Chris, and Mary for their help with this service.

Newcomers, please fill out a yellow welcome card, which you can find in your hymnal. You can give it to one of the greeters.

The member congregations of the Unitarian Universalist Association affirm and promote:

- The inherent worth and dignity of every person;
- Justice, equity and compassion in human relations;
- Acceptance of one another and encouragement to spiritual growth in our congregations;
- A free and responsible search for truth and meaning;
- The right of conscience and the use of the democratic process within our congregations and in society at large;
- The goal of world community with peace, liberty, and justice for all;
- Respect for the interdependent web of all existence of which we are a part.
- Journeying toward spiritual wholeness by working to build a diverse multi-cultural Beloved Community by our actions that accountably dismantle racism and other oppressions in ourselves and our institutions. *

*(*Adopted by the UUCSC on April 18, 2021. Under consideration for adoption by the UUA.)*