Unitarian Universalist Congregation of South County October 26, 2025

"We are all meant to live in joy. The path of joy does not lead away from suffering and adversity but through it." — Archbishop Desmond Tutu

Sounding the Chime

Opening Song

Morning Song

by Daniel Dutton

Welcome and Announcements

Chalice Lighting We light our chalice this morning with these words written by Rev. Petr Samojsky, minister in the Religious Society of Czech Unitarians

Elwood: May this flame go up and remind us that our faith is good.

Congregants: Every one of us can bring love to the world.

Elwood: May this chalice burn with a clear flame as a symbol of our path.

Congregants: Every one of us can find rest, joy, peace, and harmony in our hearts.

Elwood: Through this flame, may the wisdom of ages speak to us and stay in us.

Congregants: Every one of us can be a blessing to the world.

Opening Words

Aubrey Atwater

Reciting the Covenant Together

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.

Time for All Ages I Have a Little Secret by Randy Wilson

Singing to the Children with Love

Go with wisdom, go with wonder. Go to meet a brand new day. Learn to see the light within you as we send you on your way.

Joys and Concerns

Reflections Joy on the Front Lines Aubrey Atwater

Offering

Offertory Hush, the Waves Are Rolling In

traditional Scottish American Iullaby (Sing along with us!)

Spiritual Reflection Aubrey Atwater and Elwood Donnelly

Music Imagine Peace by Phil Edmonds

Reflections The Joy of Job Lot Aubrey Atwater

Song The Coxswain by Elwood Donnelly

Reading The Joy of Small Talk Aubrey Atwater

Song I'm Part of the Rainbow by Glenn McClure

Reflections Practicing Joy Aubrey Atwater

Song The Turning of the World by Ruth Pelham

(lyrics on the last page)

Readings and ReflectionsJoy as A Ballast to Action

Aubrey Atwater

Song The Rest of Our Lives by Elwood Donnelly

Closing Words and Benediction Elwood Donnelly

Extinguishing the Chalice

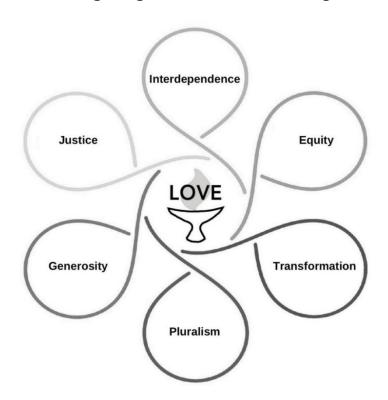
We extinguish this chalice, but not its light. That we take with us out into the world, sharing it with those we encounter on our journey.

Closing Circle

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

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Newcomers, please fill out a yellow welcome card, which you can find in the back of the gray hymnal, and put it in with the offering or give it to one of the greeters.



Rev. Denis Letourneau Paul, Minister Ami Pienknagura, Music Director Lee Cowan, Director of Religious Education

Sara Kaplow, Congregational Administrator; Amenata L. Botus, Congregational Bookkeeper

Rev. Denis's Schedule: Office hours Tuesdays & Thursdays 10-4
Next Beverages & Banter: Tuesday, October 28, 4 pm at Panera Bread.
Next furlough week: November 25 to December 1.

The Turning of the World

By Ruth Pelham

1. Let us sing this song for the turning of the world That we may turn as one With every voice, with every song We will move this world along And our lives will feel the echo of our turning With every voice, with every song We will move this world along With every voice, with every song We will move this world along And our lives will feel the echo of our turning

2. Let us sing this song for the loving of the world That we may love as one
With every voice, with every song
We will move this world along
And our lives will feel the echo of our loving
With every voice, with every song
We will move this world along
With every voice, with every song
We will move this world along
And our lives will feel the echo of our loving

3. Let us sing this song for the healing of the world That we may heal as one With every voice, with every song We will move this world along And our lives will feel the echo of our healing With every voice, with every song We will move this world along With every voice, with every song We will move this world along And our lives will feel the echo of our healing

4. Let us sing this song for the dreaming of the world That we may dream as one With every voice, with every song We will move this world along And our lives will feel the echo of our dreaming With every voice, with every song We will move this world along With every voice, with every song We will move this world along And our lives will feel the echo of our dreaming And our lives will feel the echo of our healing And our lives will feel the echo of our loving And our lives will feel the echo of our turning