



Rev. Amy Kindred

Why Religion?

One friend said to the other, "Last night I had a dream. I was on stage performing with REM 'Losing My Religion.' But that was just a dream, just a dream..." Most people can say why they dislike "organized religion", but few can list all the good that has occurred through the years.

Our Vision: An inclusive religious community, a beacon for reason, meaning and bold social action.

Our Mission: To celebrate dignity and respect for all, nurture lifelong spiritual growth, act for justice and equality, and serve the wider community.

Pre-Service Music

"My Romance"
Played by Chuck Miller

Welcome

Ed Kraemer, Worship Associate

Tingsha

Prelude

"To the End of Our Tribe"
Dr. Susan Robinson and the UUC Choir

Call to Worship

"For Five Thousand Years, Or More"
by Matthew Johnson
Delivered by Ed Kraemer

Chalice Lighting

"This Chalice Is Lit For You"
by Tara Humphries
Delivered by Ed Kraemer

Whether you are from the South, the East, the North, or the West...
Whether you were born into this faith, found it, or it found you...
Whether you feel at home or are still trying to find your place...
Whether you believe in God, are open to mystery, or still have no idea...
Whether you are unemployed, underemployed, cobbling things together, overworking,
or in school...
Whether you are holding anxiety, grief, confusion, anger, hope, restlessness, or deep
peace...
Unitarian Universalism has a place for you.
It is right here.
And this chalice is lit for you."

Story for All Ages

Lori Thorn, Lifelong Learning Coordinator



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Sing the children to their classroom Hymn #414

“As You Leave This Friendly Place”

Hymn #1018

“When Our Heart is in a Holy Place”

Joys and Sorrows

Rev. Amy

Hymn #134

“Our World is One World”

Vs. 1 & 3

Message

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Offering

Ed Kraemer

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Offertory Music

“My Funny Valentine”

Featuring James Guess, trumpet

Chuck Miller, Piano

Extinguishing the Chalice

“Go in peace, go making peace, live gently, love mightily and bow to the mystery”

Postlude

“L O V E”

By B Kaempfert

And “Fly Me to the Moon”

By B Howard

Played by Chuck Miller



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Our Grateful Thanks:

Worship Associate: Ed Kraemer; **Service Technical Support:** Jeremy Dillow, Rich Cann, David Feick; **Zoom Host:** Elaine Bovinette; **UUC Choir:** Barbara Bedingfield, Matt Bouchie, Rich Cann, Linda Carroll, April Cook, Gretchen Craig, Anne DiNatale, Pan Godchaux, Sue Hand, Ed Kraemer, Francine Lancaster, Chris Parliman, Bruce Peller, Donna Polhamus, Susie Safford; **Guest Musician:** James Guess, Trumpet; **Slides and Video:** Margie Manning and Jeremy Dillow; **Ushers:** TBD; **Visuals:** Ana "Soledad" Vaquer; **Staff:** Anne Gilbert, Campus Administrator; Rev. Amy Kindred, Developmental Minister; Chuck Miller, Pianist; Dr. Susan Robinson, Choral Conductor, Zoraida Santana, Custodian; Gary Strauss, Security Guard; Susan Strauss, Handyperson; Lori Thorn, Lifelong Learning; Dale Zwick, Bookkeeper; **Pastoral Associates:** Bill Foley, Pan Godchaux, Kathy Krohn; Aryna Ryan

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Hymn #414 “As You Leave This Friendly Place”

As you leave this friendly place,
love give light to ev’ry face;
may the kindness which you learn
light our hearts till you return.

Hymn #1008 “When Our Heart is in a Holy Place”

Chorus:

When our heart is in a holy place,
When our heart is in a holy place,
We are bless’d with love and amazing grace,
When our heart is in a holy place.

When we trust the wisdom in each of us,
Ev’ry color ev’ry creed and kind,
And we see our faces in each other’s eyes,
Then our heart is in a holy place.

Chorus

When we tell our story from deep inside,
And we listen with a loving mind,
And we hear our voices in each other’s words,
Then our heart is in a holy place.

Chorus

When we share the silence of sacred space,
And the God of our Heart stirs within,
And we feel the power of each other’s faith,
Then our heart is in a holy place.

Chorus



Hymn #134 “Our World is One World” {Vs. 1 & 3}

Our world is one world:
what touches one affects us all:
the seas that wash us round about,
the clouds that cover us, the rains that fall.

Our world is one world:
the thoughts we think affect us all:
the way we build our attitudes,
with love or hate, we make a bridge or wall.

Our world is one world:
its ways of wealth affect us all:
the way we spend, the way we share,
who are the rich or poor, who stand or fall?

Our world is one world:
just like a ship that bears us all:
where fear and greed make many holes,
but where our hearts can hear a different call.