



Unitarian Universalists of Clearwater – July 14, 2024

Worship Associate: *Sue Hand*

How Did We Get Here?

A brief overview of Unitarian Universalist history from *Amplifying the Charge*. We “should be honest about our past, name what we are facing, and where we hope to be not just for today, but looking out at the horizons.”

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.

Welcome

Sue Hand

Tingsha

Prelude

“Let Justice Roll Down”
By Lea Morris

Call to Worship

“We come to love a church”
By Andrew C. Kennedy
Delivered by Sue Hand

Chalice Lighting

“For the Freedom of Faith”
By Heather K. Janules
Delivered by Sue Hand

{We invite the children to please come forward while we light the chalice}

Our prophets died for the freedom of faith;
We are here in their spirit.
We are here to practice and sustain our living tradition;

To light a chalice,
Claiming for justice
The heat and power of fire.

In our free faith,
We are here,
Seeking freedom from despair,
The freedom to be loved as ourselves,
And the freedom to grow beyond imagination.



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We are here,
Gathered in the name of all that we find holy.
Let us give thanks for the gift of gathering here.

Story for All Ages

“Are We There Yet?”
By Dan Santat

Opening Hymn #69

“We Sing Now Together”
Sung by UUSLO choir member

Joys and Sorrows

Sue Hand

Sermon

DRE Corinna Whiteaker-Lewis
San Gabriel UU Fellowship
Article II, What Does It Do?

Rev. Elaine Gallagher Gehrman

Offering

Sue Hand

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Offertory Music

“If I Had a Hammer”
By Odetta

All gifts are appreciated and will be used to further the work of UUC on our campus and in the community

Closing Hymn #1017

“Building a New Way”
Sung by Alena Hemingway

Extinguishing the Chalice

Sue Hand

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



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Our Grateful Thanks:

Worship Associate and Service Host: Sue Hand; **Service Technical Support:** Jeremy Dillow, Rich Cann, David Feick; **Zoom Host:** Lore Eargle; **UUC Choir:** Barbara Bedingfield, John Bedingfield, Matt Bouchie, Rich Cann, Linda Carroll, Gretchen Craig, Anne DiNatale, Pan Godchaux, Sue Hand, Ed Kraemer, Francine Lancaster, and Jim Lancaster, Chris Parliman, Susie Safford; **Guest Musician:** Ed Kramer; **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

*Special Thanks to Lori Thorn for her beautiful rendering of our chalice, which adorns
the header in the Order of Service!*

SUNDAY FLOWER DONATIONS

If you would like to supply the flowers for an upcoming Sunday service in honor of a special event or person in your life, please email Ana "Soledad" Vaquer at soledad.globalre@gmail.com. She will help you coordinate your contribution.

Opening Hymn #67 "We Sing Now Together"

We sing now together our song of thanksgiving,
rejoicing in goods which the ages have wrought,
for life that enfolds us, and helps and heals and holds us,
and leads beyond the goals which our forebears once sought.

We sing of the freedoms which martyrs and heroes
have won by their labor, their sorrow, their pain;
the oppressed befriending, our ampler hopes defending,
their death becomes a triumph, they died not in vain.

We sing of the prophets, the teachers, the dreamers,
designers, creators, and workers, and seers;
our own lives expanding, our gratitude commanding,
their deeds have made immortal their days and their years.

We sing of community now in the making
in every far continent, region, and land;
with those of all races, all times and names and places,
we pledge ourselves in covenant firmly to stand.



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Closing Hymn #1017 “We Are Building a New Way”

We are building a new way.
We are building a new way.
We are building a new way,
feeling stronger ev’ry day,
We are building a new way.

We are working to be free.
We are working to be free.
We are working to be free,
hate and greed and jealousy.
We are working to be free.

We can feed our every need.
We can feed our ev’ry need.
We can feed our ev’ry need,
Start with love, that is the seed.
We can feed our every need.

Peace and freedom is our cry.
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Without these this world will die.
Peace and freedom is our cry.