



All Souls Service
November 5, 2023

Gathering of Community

Music for Gathering 'Largo' from 'Winter' (Vivaldi/arr. Thompson)
People's Ringers

Opening Words 'Autumnal Welcoming' by Sarah Gettie McNiell

Words of Welcome Matthew Morris McCormick

Announcements Rev. Rachel Lonberg, Tim Kieffer

Introit 'Where Do We Come From?' (#1003)

Where do we come from? What are we? Where are we going?

Where do we come from?

Mystery. Mystery. Life is a riddle and a mystery.

Where do we come from? Where are we going?

Stewardship Update

The Webb/Pietras Family, Rev. Rachel Lonberg

Chalice Lighting Matthew Morris McCormick

If you are lighting a chalice at home, you are encouraged to type in the chat box 'A chalice is lit in (your neighborhood/city/street).'

Words by Florence Caplow

Affirming our Connections

Joys and Sorrows 'There is a Love' (Norton/Parker)

There is a love holding us

There is a love holding all that we love

There is a love holding all

We rest in this love

Children and Teacher Recessional 'Go Forth' (Ramsey/Drake)

Go forth in peace, in search of wisdom,

With love to guide you on your way

And may the joy of life surround you

Wherever you may go.

Offering Matthew Morris McCormick

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Offertory 'Rivers of Babylon' (Boney M.) Tim Sparling

Giving Thanks for All That Sustains Us

From the countless gifts we each have been given,

gifts of life and love and sustenance,

we bring these small portions to share in the works of love

which none of us can accomplish alone.

Searching for Wisdom and Inspiration

Silent Meditation

Spoken Meditation 'Remembrance Invocation' by Lyn Cox

read by Laura Bultman, Catherine Niessink,

David Greenquist, & Sally Padley

Musical Meditation 'Find a Stillness' (#352)

Find a stillness, hold a stillness, let the stillness carry me.

Find the silence, hold the silence, let the silence carry me.

In the spirit, by the spirit, with the spirit giving power,

I will find true harmony.

Seek the essence, hold the essence, let the essence carry me.

Let me flower, help me flower, watch me flower, carry me.

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I will find true harmony.

Music

'Loch Lomond' (arr. Kimber) People's Ringers

'Simple Gifts' (Shaker tune, arr. Lindvall)

'I Love My Love' (Cornish folksong)

Julie Schneeberger, Karen Tinklenberg,
Rick Johnson (recorders)

'Angel From Montgomery' (Prine)

'It's Not Too Late'

Tim Sparling

'Bright Morning Stars' (Wailin' Jennys)

Ann Marie Boyle, Christine Hains, Ginny Shilliday,
Jeanne Leadley, Rachel Chadderdon Bair, Jan Tucker

'Litany'

Jeanne Leadley, Rick Johnson,
Savannah Ramsey, Jennifer Drake

Response: "You are not forgotten"

'So Live!' (Notareschi)

People's Singers

Fear not the world's sorrow.

Sadness colors every life. And every life knows joy.

Not unending, as we wish, but in measure.

So live! Let your joy shine from you.

The world waits in darkness for your light.

Fear not the world's grief.

Every living being dies. And all the dead live on.

Not in heaven, as they say, but in us.

So live! Let their memory shine from you.

The world waits in darkness for your light.

Returning to the World

Closing song

'We Are' (#1051)

*For each child that's born, a morning star rises
and sings to the universe who we are. (repeat)*

*We are our grandmothers' prayers
and we are our grandfathers' dreamings,
we are the breath of our ancestors, we are the spirit of God.*

*We are mothers of courage and fathers of time,
we are daughters of dust and the sons of great visions,
we're sisters of mercy and brothers of love,
we are lovers of life and the builders of nations,
we're seekers of truth and keepers of faith,
we are makers of peace and the wisdom of ages.*

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Closing words 'Inspired By Our Ancestors' by Leia Durland-Jones

Postlude

Coffee Quarter breakout rooms

All are invited to stay on Zoom for 15 minutes of small group conversation.