

A View From the Bridge

ANNOUNCEMENTS Caitlin MacDonald

PRELUDE *Timeless* (Suzanne Ciani) Michele Kelly

WELCOME Mary Dennis

CHALICE LIGHTING Mary Dennis

UNISON AFFIRMATION (SUNG)

*We pledge to walk together in the ways of truth and affection
as best we know them now or may learn them in days to come
that we and our children may be fulfilled
and that we may speak to the world
in words and actions of peace and goodwill.*

Words by Alice Blair Wesley; Music by Michele Kelly

CALL TO WORSHIP Rev. Bev Waring

HYMN #318 *We Would Be One* All

TIME FOR ALL AGES Diana Tesni

SING CHILDREN TO RE

*As you go may joy surround you. As you go, go in peace
Know our love is with you always. As you go, as you go*

CANDLES OF JOY OR SORROW Julie Sutherland

PRAYER/MEDITATION Rev. Bev Waring

SPECIAL MUSIC *Have You Seen the Rain* (J. Fogerty) Michele Kelly

READING *Why I Became Unitarian Universalist* by Paige Getty Mary Dennis
From The Seven Principles in Word and Worship, pg. 55

INTRODUCTION OF OFFERING Charlie Gravina

OFFERTORY *Waterfall* (David Lanz) Michele Kelly

SERMON *A View From the Bridge* Rev. Bev Waring

FINAL HYMN #300 *With Heart and Mind* All

BENEDICTION Rev. Bev Waring

FAREWELL SONG All

Carry the flame of peace and love until we meet again (sung twice)

EXTINGUISH THE CHALICE Rev. Bev Waring

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May 12, 2024: *Mother's Day; From Ancient Greece to Today* with Rev. Bev Waring

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318 We Would Be One

We would be one as now we join in singing
our hymn of love, to pledge ourselves anew
to that high cause of greater understanding
of who we are, and what in us is true.

We would be one in living for each other
to show to all a new community.

We would be one in building for tomorrow
a nobler world than we have known today.
We would be one in searching for that meaning
which bends our hearts and points us on our way.
As one, we pledge ourselves to greater service,
with love and justice, strive to make us free.

300 With Heart and Mind

With heart and mind and voice and hand may we this time and place transcend
to make our purpose understood: a mortal search for mortal good,
a firm commitment to the goal of justice, freedom, peace for all.

A mind that's free to seek the truth; a mind that's free in age and youth
to choose a path no threat impedes, wherever light of conscience leads.
Our martyrs died so we could be a church where every mind is free.

A heart that's kind, a heart whose search makes Love the spirit of our church,
where we can grow, and each one's gift is sanctified, and spirits lift,
where every door is open wide for all who choose to step inside.