

Starting a Positive Epidemic

ANNOUNCEMENTS	Jake Jacobson
PRELUDE <i>Let Zion in Her Beauty Rise</i> (Andrew Hawrylik)	Ed Barresi
WELCOME	Lee Minnichelli
CALL TO WORSHIP	Rev. Bev Waring
HYMN # 1029 <i>Love Knocks and Waits for Us To Hear</i> (hymn of the month)	All
CHALICE LIGHTING	Lee Minnichelli
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

TIME FOR ALL AGES <i>9-Year Old Change Maker</i>	Sara Allegretti, DRE
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SING CHILDREN TO RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

*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	Katie Nunes
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PRAYER/MEDITATION	Rev. Bev
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MEDITATIVE HYMN # 123 <i>Spirit of Life</i> (remain seated sing through 1 time)	All
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SERMON <i>Starting a Positive Epidemic</i>	Rev. Bev
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INTRODUCTION OF OFFERING	Deb Prudhomme
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OFFERTORY <i>Thought I May Speak"</i> Traditional, arr. by Olive Huisman	Ed Barresi
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HYMN # 146 <i>Soon the Day Will Arrive</i>	All
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BENEDICTION	Rev. Bev
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FAREWELL SONG	All
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Carry the flame of peace and love until we meet again (sung twice)

EXTINGUISHING THE CHALICE	Rev. Bev
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Oct. 20, 2024: Legislation Matters with the Welcoming Congregation Initiative Team

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Joys and Sorrows Please send joys or sorrows to be shared during next Sunday's service using [this form](#). If you have trouble with the form, please contact the lay ministers by email: layministers@fuf.org

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1029 Love Knocks and Waits for Us To Hear (hymn of the month)

Love knocks and waits for us to hear, to open and invite;
Love longs to quiet every fear, and seeks to set things right.

Love offers life, in spite of foes who threaten and condemn;
embracing enemies, Love goes the second mile with them.

Love comes to heal the broken heart, to ease the troubled mind;
without a word Love bids us start to ask and seek and find.

Hymn #123 Spirit of Life

Spirit of Life, come unto me.
Sing in my heart all the stirrings of compassion.
Blow in the wind, rise in the sea;
move in the hand, giving life the shape of justice.
Roots hold me close; wings set me free;
Spirit of Life, come to me, come to me.

#146 Soon the Day will Arrive

Soon the day will arrive when we will be together, and no longer will we live in fear.
And the children will smile without wondering whether
on that day thunderclouds will appear.

(Chorus)

Wait and see, wait and see what a world there can be
if we share, if we care, you and me.
Wait and see, wait and see what a world there can be
if we share, if we care, you and me.

Some have dreamed, some have died to make a bright tomorrow,
and our vision remains in our hearts.
Now the torch must be passed with new hope, not in sorrow,
and a promise to make a new start. (Chorus)