

**COMING OF AGE IN COMMUNITY**

ANNOUNCEMENTS	Laura Minnichelli
PRELUDE <i>One</i> by U2	Levi Harter, Lucca Scansen, and Tim Harter
WELCOME	Evelyn Rossing
CALL TO WORSHIP	Rev. Bev
OPENING HYMN # 347 <i>Gather the Spirit</i>	All
CHALICE LIGHTING # 362 <i>Rise Up, O Flame</i>	sung by RE Children and Youth
UNISON AFFIRMATION (SUNG)	
<i>We pledge to walk together in the ways of truth and affection</i>	
<i>as best we know them now or may learn them in days to come</i>	
<i>that we and our children may be fulfilled and that we may speak to the world</i>	
<i>in words and actions of peace and goodwill.</i>	
Words by Alice Blair Wesley; Music by Michele Kelly	
A TIME FOR ALL AGES	Sara Allegretti
CANDLES OF JOY OR SORROW	Laura Cerier
PRAYER/MEDITATION	Rev. Bev
SPECIAL MUSIC <i>Love Call Me Home</i> by Peggy Seeger	Children's Choir
READING <i>Passage</i> by Edward Searl, adapted	Sara Allegretti
INTRODUCTION OF THE COMING OF AGE PROGRAM	Rev. Bev
STATEMENTS OF RELIGIOUS IDENTITY	Maxxim Duffy mentored by Greg Lamb
	Lexi Kassay mentored by Sue Siobhan Savoy
	Lucca Scansen mentored by Mark Minnichelli
	Levi Harter mentored by Jake Jacobson
	Lilly MacDonald mentored by Vicki Coates
INTRODUCTION OF PLATE GIVEAWAY Louis D. Brown Peace Institute	Ellen Adducci
OFFERTORY <i>What a Wonderful World</i> (Weiss/Thiele)	Michele Kelly
HYMN # 123 <i>Spirit of Life</i>	All
BENEDICTION	Rev. Bev
FAREWELL SONG	All
<i>Carry the flame of peace and love until we meet again (sung twice)</i>	
EXTINGUISH THE CHALICE	Rev. Bev

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Next Week May 18 Worship: Quaker Style with Lee Minnichelli and Karen Bogner  
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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](mailto:layministers@fuf.org)

Offering: Give online using Tithely: [www.fuf.org/give](http://www.fuf.org/give) or by US Mail: FUSF, PO Box 316, Franklin, MA 02038 or leave a contribution in one of the offering plates during the service. Thank you for your generosity!

Announcements: Please send your announcements to [announcements@fuf.org](mailto:announcements@fuf.org) by Friday no later than 5:00 pm to be included on Sunday morning.

### **# 347 Gather the Spirit**

Gather the spirit, harvest the power.  
Our sep'rate fires will kindle one flame.  
Witness the mystery of this hour.  
Our trials in this light appear all the same.

(Chorus)

Gather in peace, gather in thanks.  
Gather in sympathy now and then.  
Gather in hope, compassion and strength.  
Gather to celebrate once again.

Gather the spirit of heart and mind.  
Seeds for the sowing are laid in store.  
Nurtured in love, and conscience refined,  
with body and spirit united once more. (Chorus)

Gather the spirit growing in all,  
drawn by the moon and fed by the sun.  
Winter to spring, and summer to fall,  
the chorus of life resounding as one. (Chorus)

### **#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.