ANNOUNCEMENTS — Vicki Coates

PRELUDE *Weaver's Song* (Crusader Beach) — Michele Kelly

WELCOME & CHALICE LIGHTING — Emily Steltzer

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 — Ann Parsley

OPENING HYMN *Morning Hymn* — All

TIME FOR ALL — Sara Allegretti

Toolbox of Love adapted from Tara Humphries

SING THE 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 — Katie Nunes

PRAYER/MEDITATION — Ann Parsley

HYMN #134 *Our World is One World* — All

SERMON *Rings of Love* — Ann Parsley

CALL FOR THE OFFERING — Emily Steltzer

OFFERTORY *Love is Truth* (David Lanz) — Michele Kelly

HYMN #1021 *Lean on Me* — All

BENEDICTION — Ann Parsley

FAREWELL SONG — All

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

EXTINGUISHING THE CHALICE — Ann Parsley

WELCOME

We are happy you chose to worship at First Universalist Society in Franklin (FUSF) this morning. If you are a first time visitor, please be sure to sign our guest book that can be found on the welcome table in the foyer. If you leave an email address, we will include you in the mailing of our weekly newsletter, the Emessenger, and you will be kept up to date on all that is happening at FUSF.
We hope you will all stay for coffee and conversation in the foyer following the service. We look forward to getting to know you better and to answer any questions you may have about FUSF or Unitarian Universalism.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION (RE)

The FUSF nursery is open every Sunday from 9:30 am - 11:30 am. The nursery is typically for children aged 0 to 4 years old.

Children and youth can join their family in the sanctuary for the beginning of FUSF's worship service. After the *Time for All,* they will be invited to attend Religious Education programming.

JOYS AND SORROWS

Please send joys or sorrows to be shared during next Sunday's service using the Joys and Sorrows link found in the weekly E-Messenger. If you have trouble with the form, please contact the lay ministers by email: layministers@fusf.org. You may also fill out an index card found in the basket on the back table in the sanctuary.

OFFERING

Give online: www.fusf.org/give; 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@fusf.org*** by Friday no later than 5:00 pm to be included on Sunday morning.

Morning Hymn (Hymn of the Month)

Window of mystery, open to me:
Freshen the breath of my being.
Witness of spirit and wonder to be:
Alleluia, alleluia.

Venturesome faith: Now encourage my soul,
Arc of the universe freeing;
Lifting and loving, courageous and whole,
Alleluia, alleluia.

Gather in covenant, broaden our reach.
Nurture the ties of our being.
Binding in wholeness, a blessing to each.
Alleluia, alleluia.

#134 Our World is One World

Our world is one world:
what touches one affects us all:
the seas that wash us round about,
the clouds that cover us, the rains that fall.

Our world is one world:
the thoughts we think affect us all:
the way we build our attitudes,
with love or hate, we make a bridge or wall.

Our world is one world:
its ways of wealth affect us all:
the way we spend, the way we share,
who are the rich or poor, who stand or fall?

Our world is one world:
just like a ship that bears us all:
where fear and greed make many holes,
but where our hearts can hear a different call.

#1021 Lean on Me

Sometimes in our lives
we all have pain,
we all have sorrow.
But if we are wise
we know that there's
always tomorrow.

Chorus:
Lean on me when you're not strong
and I'll be your friend, I'll help you carry on,
For it won't be long 'til I'm gonna need
somebody to lean on.

Please swallow your pride
if I have things
you need to borrow,
For no one can fill
those of your needs
that you won't let show.

Bridge:
Just call on me brother when you need a hand.
We all need somebody to lean on.
I just might have a problem that you'd understand.
We all need somebody to lean on.

Chorus

Bridge

If there is a load
you have to bear
that you can't carry,
I'm right up the road,
I'll share your load
if you just call me.

Call me… call me…

THIS WEEK AT FUSF

Wed. Dec. 2, 1-3 pm: Prayer Shawl Group (Cook Room)
Thur. Dec. 3, 8:30-9:15 am: Thur. Morning Meditation (Zoom)
Thur. Dec. 3, 7-9 pm: 350 Mass Greater Franklin (Dana Rm.)
Thur. Dec. 3, 7-8:30 pm: Connections Team Mtg. (Cook Room)
Sat. Dec. 5, 7:30 pm: Circle of Friends Coffeehouse Concert

Go to FUSF.org/calendar for Zoom links and more information.

FUSF is a Member of the Unitarian Universalist Association and certified as a Welcoming Congregation. We warmly welcome lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender and queer people into our community.

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