ORDER OF SERVICE

Sunday, February 14, 2020, 10:15 am

"Beloved: A Valentine's Day Service"



Rev. Florence Caplow

Jenny Hunt, Generosity Testimonial
Amy Hassinger & Adam Davis, Guest Musicians
Democracy Revival Virtual Choir. October 24, 2020
Juan Camacho, Piano; Austin Cody, Song Leader
Locke Family, Chalice Lighting
Laura Haber, Decorations
Chris Hannauer, AV

Prelude "Imagine" by John Lennon

Opening Words & Land Acknowledgment Rev. Florence Caplow Chalice Lighting (from Maureen O'Killoran)

Love is the aspiration, the spirit that moves and inspires this faith we share.

Rightly understood, love can nurture our spirits and transform the world.

May the flame of this chalice honor and embody the power and the blessing of the love we need, the love we give, the love we are challenged always to remember and to share.

Meditation for All Ages "Sending Love"

Anthem "All You Need Is Love" by John Lennon, sung by Amy Hassinger & Adam Davis

PART 1: EROS, OR "Will You Be My Valentine?"

Reading & Reflection

Hymn #325 "Love Makes a Bridge"

Joys and Sorrows & Blessing Song "May the Longtime Sun" by Mike Heron

Shared Joys and Sorrows

Time of Music and Reflection "Meditation #3" by Juan Camacho

PART 2: PHILOS, OR "To Love One Another"

Reading & Reflection

Testimonial

Hymn #318 "We Would Be One"

Community Matters & Welcome of New Members

Offertory "Can You Feel the Love Tonight?" by Elton John

PART 3: AGAPE, OR "Toward Beloved Community"

Reading and Reflection

Hymn #95 "There is More Love Somewhere" sung by the Democracy Revival Virtual Choir

Closing Words/Blessing Rev. Florence Caplow

Postlude "Pasillo de Gala: Lilian Antonieta" by Jesús Pinzón

Chalice Extinguishing

We extinguish this flame, but not the light of truth, the warmth of community, or the fire of commitment. These we carry in our hearts until we are together again.

Land Acknowledgment: We recognize and acknowledge that we gather today on indigenous land, taken through deception, coercion, and violence. We acknowledge the continued displacement and oppression of Native people and honor their commitments to survival, identity, and the protection of our world.

Readings today

"Sonnet #22" from Sonnets from the Portuguese by Elizabeth Barrett Browning. https://www.gutenberg.org/files/2002/2002-h/2002-h.htm

"Friendship" by David Whyte, from Consolations. https://davidwhyte.com/pages/consolations

Cornel West from the 2015 Ware Lecture, UUA General Assembly. https://www.uua.org/ga/past/2015/ware-west

Composers today

John Lennon (1940-1980) was an English singer, songwriter, and peace activist, and cofounder of The Beatles.

Elton John (1947-) is a renowned English singer, songwriter, pianist, and composer.

Jesús Pinzón (1928 -2016) was a Colombian experimental composer, conductor and pedagogue born in Bucaramanga, Santander, Pasillo de Gala #1 "Lilian Antonieta" was dedicated to his wife Lilian Antonieta.