



Unitarian Universalists of Clearwater – December 15, 2024

Rev. Amy Kindred

“Miracle Stories”

Our Vision: An inclusive religious community, a beacon for reason, meaning and bold social action.

Our Mission: To celebrate dignity and respect for all, nurture lifelong spiritual growth, act for justice and equality, and serve the wider community.

Pre-Service Music

“The Miracle of Love”
Played by Chuck Miller

Welcome

Michael Kahn, Worship Associate

Tingsha

Prelude Hymn #221

“Light One Candle”
Chancel Choir

Call to Worship

“Come, let us worship together”
by Lindsay Bates
Delivered by Michael Kahn

Chalice Lighting

“May This Light Guide Us”
by JeKaren Olaoya
Delivered by Michael Kahn

A tea light glows in a hollow in a fallen log, surrounded by moss that has been dusted lightly with snow.
We light this chalice, here in the darkness of winter as we wait.
This temporary space is one filled with prayers to be answered,
love to be given and received, miracles to be witnessed.
May this light guide us until the light of the sun returns again.

Story for All Ages

Lori Thorn, Lifelong Learning Coordinator

Sing the children to their classroom Hymn #414

“As You Leave This Friendly Place”
X2

Opening Hymn #1050

“Jazz Alleluia”
All together, then a round 2 times

Joys and Sorrows

Rev. Amy

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Message

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Offering

"Offering Call for A Community Seeking Change"
by Naomi King
Delivered by Michael Kahn

For online giving: <https://uuc.breezechms.com/give/online>

For text giving: (727) 500-2410

Offertory Music

Music by Chuck Miller

Closing Hymn #123

“Spirit of Life”

Extinguishing the Chalice

“Go in peace, go making peace, live gently, love mightily and bow to the mystery”

Postlude

Played by Chuck Miller

Our Grateful Thanks:

Worship Associate: Michael Kahn; **Service Technical Support:** Jeremy Dillow, Rich Cann, David Feick; **Zoom Host:** Lauren Logan; **UUC Choir:** Barbara Bedingfield, Matt Bouchie, Rich Cann, Linda Carroll, Gretchen Craig, Anne DiNatale, Pan Godchaux, Sue Hand, Ed Kraemer, Francine Lancaster, Chris Parliman, Bruce Peller, Susie Safford; **Guest Musicians:** *The UUC Jazz Band:* James Guess (trumpet), Kurt Knippel (saxophone), Rob Kosinski (bass), Ed Kraemer (percussion), Chuck Miller (piano); **Slides and Video:** Margie Manning and Jeremy Dillow; **Ushers:** TBD; **Visuals:** Ana “Soledad” Vaquer; **Staff:** Anne Gilbert, Campus Administrator; Rev. Amy Kindred, Developmental Minister; Chuck Miller, Pianist; Dr. Susan Robinson, Choral Conductor, Zoraida Santana, Custodian; Gary Strauss, Security Guard; Susan Strauss, Handyperson; Lori Thorn, Lifelong Learning; Dale Zwick, Bookkeeper; **Pastoral Associates:** Bill Foley, Pan Godchaux, Kathy Krohn; Aryna Ryan

SUNDAY FLOWER DONATIONS

If you would like to supply the flowers for an upcoming Sunday service in honor of a special event or person in your life, please email Ana "Soledad" Vaquer at soledad.globalre@gmail.com. She will help you coordinate your contribution.



Hymn #414 “As You Leave This Friendly Place” {x2}

As you leave this friendly place,
love give light to ev’ry face;
may the kindness which we learn
light our hearts till we return.

Prelude Hymn #221 “Light One Candle”

Light one candle for the Maccabee children with thanks that their light didn’t die.
Light one candle for the pain they endured when their right to exist was denied.
Light one candle for the terrible sacrifice justice and freedom demand.
But light one candle for the wisdom to know when the peacemaker’s time is at hand.

(Chorus)

Don’t let the light go out, it’s lasted for so many years.
Don’t let the light go out, let it shine through our love and our tears.

Light one candle for the strength that we need to never become our own foe.
Light one candle for those who are suff’ring the pain we learned so long ago.
Light one candle for all we believe in, that anger won’t tear us apart.
And light one candle to bring us together with peace as the song in our heart.

(Chorus)

What is the mem’ry that’s valued so highly we keep it alive in that flame?
What’s the commitment to those who have died when we cry out they’ve not died in vain?
Have we come this far always believing that justice would somehow prevail?
This is the burden and this is the promise and this is why we will not fail.

(Chorus)

Opening Hymn #1050 “Jazz Alleluia”

Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia, Allelu.

Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia, Allelu.

Alleluia, Alleluia



Closing 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.