



Unitarian Universalists of Clearwater – April 12, 2026

Rev. Amy Kindred

The Artist's Sense of Purpose

Since its founding by Congress in 1965, the National Endowment for the Arts has awarded \$5.5 billion in grants. It is the largest arts funder in the U.S. — yet one of the smallest federal agencies, only .003% of the federal budget in 2022. What is an artist to do when a society is governed by a group of leaders who aim to dismantle support for the arts in America?

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

Welcome

Michael Kahn, Worship Associate

Tingsha

Prelude

“Bad Times Come Again No More”
UUC Chorale with
Joseph Fenstermaker on guitar

Call to Worship

“Come Whoever You Are”
Written by Marilyn Falkowski
Delivered by Michael Kahn

Chalice Lighting

“The Chalice Lit Among Us is a Beacon”
Written by Debra Faulk
Delivered by Michael Kahn

The chalice lit among us is a beacon
A beacon of hope, in a world in crisis
A beacon of possibility, made manifest in community
A beacon of warmth through our interconnections
A beacon of light illuminating our shared wisdom
A beacon of connection by our being together

Story for All Ages

Lori Thorn

Singing the children to the classroom Hymn #414

“As You Leave This Friendly Place”

Joys and Concerns

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Hymn #123

“Spirit of Life”

Sermon

“The Artist’s Sense of Purpose”

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Hymn #1017

“We Are Building a New Way”

Offertory

Extinguishing the Chalice

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

Postlude:

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Our Grateful Thanks:

Worship Associate: Michael Kahn; **Service Technical Support:** Colin Brink, Phil Brown, Jeremy Dillow, Rich Cann, David Feick; **Zoom Host:** Linda Stoller; **UUC Choir:** Barbara Bedingfield, Matt Bouchie, Rich Cann, Linda Carroll, Gretchen Craig, Anne DiNatale, Jocelyn Ganoza, Pan Godchaux, Sue Hand, Ed Kraemer, Chris Parlman, Bruce Peller, Donna Polhamus, Susie Safford, Dennis Thomas; **Guest Musicians:** Joseph Fenstermaker, guitar; **Slides and Video:** Margie Manning and Jeremy Dillow; **Ushers:** TBD; **Visuals:** Ana “Soledad” Vaquer; **Staff:** Anne Gilbert, Campus Administrator; Rev. Amy Kindred, Developmental Minister; Roger McCormick, Pianist; Dr. Susan Robinson, Choral Conductor, Zoraida Santana, Custodian; Gary Strauss, Security Guard; Lori Thorn, Lifelong Learning; Barb Tobin, Lifelong Learning; Eric Williamson, Handyman; Dale Zwick, Bookkeeper; **Pastoral Associates:** Bill Foley, Pan Godchaux, Eloise Hardman, Kathy Krohn

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”

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

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.

Hymn #1017 “We Are Building a New Way”

We are building a new way.
We are building a new way.
We are building a new way,
feeling stronger ev’ry day,
We are building a new way.

We are working to be free.
We are working to be free.
We are working to be free,
hate and greed and jealousy.
We are working to be free.

We can feed our every need.
We can feed our ev’ry need.
We can feed our ev’ry need,
Start with love, that is the seed.
We can feed our every need.

Peace and freedom is our cry.
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Without these this world will die.
Peace and freedom is our cry.