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## Unitarian Universalists of Clearwater – January 16, 2022

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**Sermon:**

***“Now is the Time for Courageous Change”***

Rev. Mary Katherine Morn

President and CEO of the Unitarian Universalist Service Committee

**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.

**Welcome:**

Sue Boone

**Tingsha**

**Prelude:**

“We are Gathered Here”

By Amanda Udis-Kessler

And the UU Church of Savannah

**Call to Worship:**

“We Need One Another”

By George Odell

**Chalice Lighting:**

“Why We’re Here”

Written by [Eric Walker Wikstrom](#)

We’re, today, in this place and with these people,  
May we listen so that we can hear;  
May we hear so that we can feel;  
May we feel so that we can know, and  
May we know so that we can change ourselves and this world.  
May this chalice we light,  
Light our Way.

**Opening Hymn:**

#318 “We Would Be One”

Church of the Large Fellowship

**Time for All Ages:**

“Desmond Gets Free”

By Matt Meyer

Meredith Olson



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**Joys and Sorrows:**

Sue Boone

**Musical Response:**

“Imagine”  
By John Lennon

**Offering Message:**

“Choose to Bless the World”  
Written by Rebecca Parker

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**Interlude Hymn:**

“I Have Decided”  
Written and sung by Dave Rowe

“Now is the Time for Courageous Change”  
Rev. Mary Katherine Morn

**Closing Hymn:**

#1064 “Blue Boat Home”  
Written by Peter Mayer

**Extinguishing the Chalice:**

**Closing Words:**

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

### Our Grateful Thanks:

**Worship Associate:** Sue Boone; **Service Technical Support:** Jeremy Dillow, Rich Cann, David Feick **Zoom Host:** Margie Manning; **Social Justice Committee Members:** Marlene Calderone, Barb Foley; **Staff:** Rev. Roberta, Transitional Minister; Anne Gilbert, Campus Administrator; Meredith Olson, Transitional Director of Lifelong Learning; Gary Strauss, Security Guard; Susan Strauss, Custodian; **Pastoral Associates:** Kathy Krohn, Pan Godchaux, Bill Foley, Lauren Logan, Ann Myers



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### Opening Hymn #318 “We Would be One”

We would be one as now we join in singing  
our hymn of love, to pledge ourselves anew  
to that high cause of greater understanding  
of who we are, and what in us is true.

We would be one in living for each other  
to show to all a new community.

We would be one in building for tomorrow  
a nobler world than we have known today.  
We would be one in searching for that meaning  
which bends our hearts and points us on our way.  
As one, we pledge ourselves to greater service,  
with love and justice, strive to make us free.

### Closing Hymn #1064 “Blue Boat Home”

Though below me, I feel no motion standing on these mountains and plains.  
Far away from the rolling ocean still my dry land heart can say:  
I’ve been sailing all my life now, never harbor or port have I known.  
The wide universe is the ocean I travel and the earth is my blue boat home.

Sun my sail and moon my rudder as I ply the starry sea,  
leaning over the edge in wonder, casting questions into the deep.  
Drifting here with my ship’s companions, all we kindred pilgrim souls,  
making our way by the lights of the heavens in our beautiful blue boat home.

I give thanks to the waves up holding me, hail the great winds urging me on,  
greet the infinite sea before me, sing the sky my sailor’s song:  
I was born up on the fathoms, never harbor or port have I known.  
The wide universe is the ocean I travel, and the earth is my blue boat home.