



Unitarian Universalists of Clearwater – November 2, 2025

Rev. Amy Kindred
Remembering Beloved People and Pets

Rumi said, "Life is a balance of holding on and letting go." Many of us have had to let go of a family member, friend or pet when the loved one died. However, the memories remain and hopefully become of some comfort in the ensuing days, months and years ahead.

This morning, all are invited to bring a photo, a stuffed toy or a memento to represent a loved one who is no longer present and place it on the table in the center of the Octagon during the service. It's a morning of remembrance.

If you are attending via Zoom, you may email a photo of your loved one or pet and the minister will print it out and place it with others on the table in the center of the Octagon during the service. Children are invited to bring a memento of a pet or a picture as well so it will be included on the table.

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 Sue Hand, Worship Associate

Tingsha

Call to Worship Delivered by Sue Hand

Hymn #354 "We Laugh, We Cry"
Vs. 1 & 2

Chalice Lighting Delivered by Sue Hand

Story for All Ages Rev. Amy

Singing the children to the classroom Hymn #414 "As You Leave This Friendly Place"

Joys and Concerns



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Sermon

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Offering

For online giving: <https://uuc.breezechms.com/give/online>
For text giving: (727) 500-2410

Hymn: #354

“We Laugh, We Cry”
Vs. 3 & 4

Extinguishing the Chalice

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

Postlude

Our Grateful Thanks:

Worship Associate: Sue Hand; **Service Technical Support:** Colin Brink, Phil Brown, Jeremy Dillow, Rich Cann, David Feick;
Zoom Host: TBD; **UUC Choir:** Barbara Bedingfield, Matt Bouchie, Rich Cann, Linda Carroll, Jeannine Coyne, Gretchen Craig, Anne DiNatale, Jocelyn Ganoza, Pan Godchaux, Sue Hand, Ed Kraemer, Francine Lancaster, Chris Parliman, Bruce Peller, Donna Polhamus, Susie Safford; **Guest Musicians:** None this week; **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; Lori Thorn, Lifelong Learning; Barb Tobin, Lifelong Learning; Eric Williamson, Handyperson; Dale Zwick, Bookkeeper;
Pastoral Associates: Bill Foley, Pan Godchaux, Eloise Hardman, Kathy Krohn



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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 #354 "We Laugh, We Cry" (Vs. 1 & 2)

We laugh, we cry, we live, we die; we dance, we sing our song.
We need to feel there's something here to which we can belong.
We need to feel the freedom just to have some time alone.
But most of all we need close friends we can call our very own.
And we believe in life, and in the strength of love;
and we have found a need to be together.
We have our hearts to give, we have our thoughts to receive;
and we believe that sharing is an answer.

A child is born among us and we feel a special glow.
We see time's endless journey as we watch the baby grow.
We thrill to hear imagination freely running wild.
We dedicate our minds and heart to the spirit of this child.
And we believe in life, and in the strength of love;
and we have found a time to be together.
And with the grace of age, we share the wonder of youth,
and we believe that growing is an answer.



Hymn #354 “We Laugh, We Cry” (Vs. 3 & 4)

Our lives are full of wonder and our time is very brief.
The death of one among us fills us all with pain and grief.
But as we live, so shall we die, and when our lives are done
the memories we shared with friends, they will linger on and on.
And we believe in life, and in the strength of love;
and we have found a place to be together.
We have the right to grow, we have the gift to believe
that peace within our living is an answer.

We seek elusive answers to the questions of this life.
We seek to put an end to all the waste of human strife.
We search for truth, equality, and blessed peace of mind.
And then, we come together here, to make sense of what we find.
And we believe in life, and in the strength of love,
and we have found a joy being together.
And in our search for peace, maybe we'll finally see:
even to question, truly is an answer.