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## Unitarian Universalists of Clearwater – May 21, 2023

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### Topic

### ***“The Empty Bowl”***

Rev. Amy Kindred

*A bowl is a vessel for holding something. It is also a metaphor for how to encounter life’s many challenges. What will you allow to remain and/or spill out?*

**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.

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### Welcome

Rev. Amy Kindred

### Tingsha

### Prelude

“Vincent”

By Don McLean

Choir

### Call to Worship

Delivered by Ed Kraemer and Rev. Amy Kindred

“Call from Beyond”

By Susan Maginn

### Chalice Lighting

Delivered by Ed Kraemer

“Our Shared Hope for the World”

By Pat Uribe-Lichty

The chalice we light today is a symbol of our faith.

It binds us together as one people:

a reminder that our strength is in our shared hope for the world,  
and that our common work is the creation of Beloved Community  
among ourselves and in the world.

### Time For All Ages

Rev. Amy Kindred

### Joys and Sorrows

Rev. Amy Kindred

### Opening Hymn #21 (grey hymnal)

“For the Beauty of the Earth”

Cheryl Brown



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**Sermon:** Rev. Amy Kindred  
**Offering Message** Ed Kraemer

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**Offertory Music** “How Could Anyone”  
Cheryl Brown  
Choir

**Closing Hymn #311** (grey hymnal) “Let it Be a Dance We Do”  
Cheryl Brown

**Extinguishing the Chalice:** Ed Kraemer

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

**Postlude:** Swing Favorites  
Cheryl Brown

### Our Grateful Thanks:

**Worship Associate:** Ed Kraemer; **Service Technical Support:** Jeremy Dillow, Rich Cann, David Feick; **Zoom Tech:** Trude Diamond; **UUC Choir:** Rich Cann, Linda Carroll, Gretchen Craig, Anne DiNatale, Sue Hand, Ed Kraemer, Susie Safford; **Slides and Video:** Margie Manning and Joe Myers; **Ushers:** TBD; **Visuals:** Ana “Soledad” Vaquer; **Staff:** Cheryl Brown, Music Coordinator; Anne Gilbert, Campus Administrator; Patti Hanks, Ministerial Intern; Rev. Amy Kindred, Developmental Minister; Gary Strauss, Security Guard; Susan Strauss, Custodian; **Pastoral Associates:** Kathy Krohn, Pan Godchaux, Bill Foley, Lauren Logan

### SUNDAY FLOWER DONATIONS

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### **Opening Hymn #21 “For the Beauty of the Earth”**

For the beauty of the earth, for the splendor of the skies,  
for the love which from our birth over and around us lies:  
Source of all, to thee we raise this, our hymn of grateful praise.

For the joy of ear and eye, for the heart and mind’s delight,  
for the mystic harmony linking sense to sound and sight:  
Source of all, to thee we raise this, our hymn of grateful praise.

For the wonder of each hour of the day and of the night,  
hill and vale and tree and flower, sun and moon and stars of light:  
Source of all, to thee we raise this, our hymn of grateful praise.

For the joy of human care, sister, brother, parent, child,  
for the kinship we all share, for all gentle thoughts and mild:  
Source of all, to thee we raise this, our hymn of grateful praise.



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### Closing Hymn #311 “Let it be a Dance We Do”

(Chorus)

Let it be a dance we do.  
May I have this dance with you?  
Through the good times and the bad times, too,  
let it be a dance.

Let a dancing song be heard.  
Play the music, say the words,  
and fill the sky with sailing birds.  
Let it be a dance.  
Let it be a dance. Let it be a dance.  
Learn to follow, learn to lead,  
feel the rhythm, fill the need  
to reap the harvest, plant the seed.  
Let it be a dance.

(Chorus)

Everybody turn and spin,  
let your body learn to bend,  
and, like a willow with the wind,  
let it be a dance.  
Let it be a dance. Let it be a dance.  
A child is born, the old must die;  
a time for joy, a time to cry.  
Take it as it passes by.  
Let it be a dance.

(Chorus)

Morning star comes out at night,  
without the dark there is no light.  
If nothing’s wrong, then nothing’s right.  
Let it be a dance.  
Let it be a dance. Let it be a dance.  
Let the sun shine, let it rain;  
share the laughter, bear, the pain,  
and round and round we go again.  
Let it be a dance.