



Unitarian Universalists of Clearwater

Message: *Rev. Robert Palin*

Date: *May 17, 2020*

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:

Ray Williamson

Prelude:

"Why We Sing" by Greg Gilpin

Call to Worship:

"The Road Not Taken" by Robert Frost

Chalice Lighting:

"I light this chalice to remind us of our many opportunities to illuminate the world: To turn the light of our mindful attention on the blessings of existence in this world - food, birdsong, friendship, laughter, music, literature, family. And to illuminate the worlds of others with our own lights - kindness, generosity, humor, a love of justice, nurturing youth, and respectful listening. We take in light, find meaning, and send it back transformed."

Opening Hymn:

Grey Hymnal #347 "Gather the Spirit"

Joys and Sorrows:

Ray Williamson

#1031 Teal Hymnal "Filled With Loving Kindness"

Offertory:

"Playera" by Enrique Granados

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Interlude:

"Imagine" by John Lennon

Message: *"Explanation and Experience"*

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Closing Hymn:

Grey Hymnal #16 "'Tis A Gift To Be Simple"

Extinguishing the Chalice:

Ray Williamson

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

Our Grateful Thanks:

Worship Associate: Ray Williamson; **UUC Music:** Dr. David Katz, UUC Music Director; Linda Jones, UUC Staff Accompanist; Paris Cheffer, Bass Section Leader and Soloist; Diego Iglesias, Tenor Section Leader and Soloist **Staff:** (RE) Julie Daysa; Marie Chapin; Ashley Rodriguez; Ito Santana; Susan Strauss, Custodian; Kat Fomina, Bookkeeper; Anne Gilbert, Administrator; Gary Strauss, Security Guard; **Pastoral Associates:** Drinda Lombardi (May 11 – 17); Sally Otto (May 18 – 24).

Special Thanks to L. Wood for the beautiful and inspiring UUC original artwork





Opening Hymn

#347 Grey Hymnal "Gather The Spirit"

Gather the spirit, harvest the power.
Our sep'rate fires will kindle one flame.
Witness the mystery of this hour.
Our trials in this light appear all the same.

(Chorus)

Gather in peace, gather in thanks.
Gather in sympathy now and then.
Gather in hope, compassion and strength.
Gather to celebrate once again.

Gather the spirit of heart and mind.
Seeds for the sowing are laid in store.
Nurtured in love, and conscience refined,
with body and spirit united once more.

(Chorus)

Gather the spirit growing in all,
drawn by the moon and fed by the sun.
Winter to spring, and summer to fall,
the chorus of life resounding as one.

(Chorus)

Joys and Sorrows

#1031 Teal Hymnal "Filled With Loving Kindness"

May I be filled with loving kindness. May I be well.
May I be filled with loving kindness. May I be well.
May I be peaceful and at ease.
May I be whole.



May you be filled ...

May we be filled ...

Closing Hymn

#16 Grey Hymnal "Tis A Gift To Be Simple"

'Tis a gift to be simple, 'tis a gift to be free,
'tis a gift to come down where we ought to be,
and when we find ourselves in the place just right,
'twill be in the valley of love and delight.

When true simplicity is gained,
to bow and to bend we shan't be ashamed.
To turn, turn will be our delight,
'till by turning, turning we come 'round right.