The Unitarian Universalist Church



Centering, De-centering, Re-centering October 4, 2020 at 10:00 a.m. Rev. Mitra Rahnema

Order of Service

Prelude	"Variations on Dona nobis pacem"	Thomas
Sing #360	"Here We Have Gathered"	Carpenter/psalter
Welcome		
Covenant	Love is the spirit of this church, and reason is its guide. To dwell together in peace, to seek truth in freedom, and to serve human need: this is our covenant.	
Sung Response	May love shine forth through us toda May light of reason guide our way May beauty, truth, and joy become A flame that burns in everyone.	ау
Invocation		
Musical Response	"Winds Be Still"	Kimball/Wesley
Story	"The Snurtch" by Sean Ferrell	Lindsay
Offertory	Songs without Words (Op. 30, No. 3)	Mendelssohn
Testimony		Nikki Ticknor
Singing #86	"Blessed Spirit of My Life" Shelle	ey Jackson Denham
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Reading

Litany of Presence: Read only the ones that you resonate with on this day: I Am.....

I am hopeful.	I am hurt.
I am frazzled.	I am excited.
I am rested.	I am gloomy.
I am yearning.	I am angry.
I am happy.	I am comforted.
I am hungry.	I am content.
I am sated.	I am challenged.
I am lonely.	I am afraid.

I am pleased. I am worried. I am optimistic. I am loving. I am encouraged I am nervous. I am frustrated. I am overjoyed. I am anxious. I am confident.	I am dismayed. I am authentic. I am energized. I am overwhelmed. I am exhausted. I am sad. I am undaunted. I am invested. I am prepared. I am open.	
	"This Place Where You Are Right Now" by Hafiz	
Centering		
Anthem	"Meditation on Breathing" Jones Sung by Unfolding (Sarah Jebian and Laura Weiss)	
Message	Centering, De-centering, Re-centering	
Singing #90	"From All the Fret and Fever of the Day" Beardsley/Taylor	
*Benediction and Closing Blessing Scott		
	"Go your way in peace, Wander as you may; Blessed is the path you take;	



May love guide you on your way."

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