



# First Parish of Sudbury

*Ignite your spirit  
Nurture your values  
Join our community*

A Welcoming Unitarian Universalist Congregation

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WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Rev. Kathleen

CENTERING TONE

PRELUDE

Rev. Debra

CALL TO WORSHIP

CHALICE LIGHTING

Come into this place of peace  
and let its silence heal your spirit;  
Come into this place of memory  
and let its history warm your soul;  
Come into this place of prophecy and power  
and let its vision change your heart. (William F. Schulz)

HYMN #407      *We're Gonna Sit at the Welcome Table*

Words & music – Traditional, arr. by Mary Allen Walden

We're gonna sit at the welcome table.  
We're gonna sit at the welcome table one of these days, hallelujah!  
We're gonna sit at the welcome table,  
gonna sit at the welcome table one of these days.

All kinds of people around that table...

No fancy style at the welcome table...

TIME FOR ALL AGES

Michelle Cote, Director of  
Religious Exploration

LANTERN MUSIC Now we bless you on your way  
Words and music by Jen Rathbun

Now we bless you on your way  
May you feel love every day.  
May your light, shining bright,  
Transform the world...(repeat)  
...with love.

MILESTONES

Fred Pryor

MEDITATION/PRAYER

INTERLUDE

*No Ordinary Song*  
Words & music by Elizabeth Alexander

Joy Aldrich, soloist

SERMON

OFFERING

A Cleansing Rage  
Words and music by Jason Shelton

First Parish Choir

HYMN #210

*Wade in the Water*

Words & music: African American spiritual  
arr. by Mary Allen Walden

(Chorus)

Wade in the water,  
wade in the water, children,  
wade in the water,  
God's gonna trouble the water.

See that band all dressed in white.  
God's gonna trouble the water.  
The leader looks like an Israelite.  
God's gonna trouble the water.

(Chorus)

See that band all dressed in red.  
God's gonna trouble the water.  
It looks like the band that Moses led.  
God's gonna trouble the water.

(Chorus)

EXTINGUISHING OF THE CHALICE

We extinguish this flame but not the light of truth,  
the warmth of community, or the fire of commitment.  
These we carry in our hearts until we are together again.

POSTLUDE

Rev. Debra

CLOSING WORDS

MUSIC FOR GOING FORTH

**Today's flowers are given from Ginny Doxsey  
to celebrate my brother Doug**

**Thanks to today's:** Musicians

Usher/Greeters: Cilla and Paul Reising

Social hours: Sheila Davison, Emarie Pope

RE/Nursery assistants: Jenny Smith

Tech Help: Dave Andrews, Terry Lockhart, Michael Tyo

Flowers: Ginny Doxsey

## **Welcome**

First Parish of Sudbury Unitarian Universalist is a community of seekers that recognizes the dignity and worth of every human being, affirms each person's search for truth and meaning, asserts our commitment to freedom, and espouses the democratic process. We embrace diversity and include all who share the principles and goals of our community. We are a Welcoming Congregation; we have made the commitment to be intentional about welcoming the presence and participation of gay, lesbian, transgender, bisexual, questioning, queer, intersex, asexual and others in all aspects of our congregational life. Together we celebrate the interdependent web of existence of which we are all apart.

If you are new to the area or to First Parish, we invite you to sign our guest book. If you have questions, would like to enroll your child in our religious exploration program, or would like to speak to our minister, please feel free to reach out to Office Administrator, Tanja Fischer for assistance.

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