First Parish of Sudbury

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A Welcoming Unitarian Universalist Congregation



Aiden McMahon, Minister In Residence

Many Different Beliefs.

One Welcoming Community.

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS — Aiden McMahon

CENTERING TONE

PRELUDE — Rev. Debra Morris-Bennett

CALL TO WORSHIP — from *Don't Sweat The Small Stuff* by Richard Carson — Leslie Bryant

HYMN #170 — *We Are a Gentle, Angry People*
words & music: Holly Near; arr. by Patrick L. Rickey

We are a gentle, angry people,
and we are singing, singing for our lives.
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and we are singing, singing for our lives.

We are a justice-seeking people...

We are young and old together...

We are a land of many colors...

We are gay and straight together....

We are a gentle, loving people...

CHALICE LIGHTING — *The Great Turning* by Lisa Garcia-Sampson — Aiden McMahon

MILESTONES — Kristy Gish

MEDITATION — Aiden McMahon

INTERLUDE — *The Times They Are A-Changin'* — First Parish Choir
words & music: Bob Dylan; arr. by Adam Podd

Come gather 'round, people wherever you roam
And admit that the waters around you have grown
And accept it that soon you'll be drenched to the bone
If your time to you is worth savin'
And you better start swimmin' or you'll sink like a stone
For the times, they are a-changin'.

Come mothers and fathers throughout the land
And don't criticize what you can't understand
Your sons and your daughters are beyond your command
Your old road is rapidly agin'
Please get out of the new one if you can't lend a hand
For the times, they are a-changin'

The line, it is drawn, the curse, it is cast
The slow one now will later be fast
As the present now will later be past
The order is rapidly fadin'
And the first one now will later be last
For the times, they are a-changin'

READING — *Prayers of the Cosmos* (exc.) — Aiden McMahon
by Neil Douglas-Klotz

HYMN #1031 *Filled With Loving Kindness*

words: Traditional Buddhist Meditation, adapt. by Mark W. Hayes
music: Ian W. Riddell

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 ...

SERMON "No Secret Hate" Aiden McMahon

HYMN #159 *This Is My Song*

words: Lloyd Stone; music: Jean Sibelius

This is my song, O God of all the nations,
a song of peace for lands afar and mine.
This is my home, the country where my heart is;
here are my hopes, my dreams, my holy shrine;
but other hearts in other lands are beating
with hopes and dreams as true and high as mine.

My country's skies are bluer than the ocean,
and sunlight beams on cloverleaf and pine;
but other lands have sunlight too, and clover,
and skies are everywhere as blue as mine.
O hear my song, thou God of all the nations,
a song of peace for their land and for mine.

OFFERTORY Rev. Debra

EXTINGUISHING THE CHALICE All

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.

BENEDICTION Aiden McMahon

POSTLUDE *America, the Beautiful* Rev. Debra
by Katherine Lee Bates and Samuel A. Ward; arr. by Clif Hardin

Today's flowers are donated by Sherri Cline:
In Memory of Les and Sylvia Cline.

Please join us for coffee and conversation in the Parish Hall.

Welcome!

We are a welcoming congregation and have committed to welcoming the presence and participation of all persons who share our values, regardless of sexual orientation, gender identity, skin color, immigration status, economic situation, education, political or religious ideology. We hope you'll join our non-creedal beloved community!

If you are new to the area or to First Parish, we invite you to fill out a newcomer card to get our newsletter. If you have questions or would like to speak to our minister, please feel free to contact our office for assistance.

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