First Parish of Sudbury

Ignite your spirit
Nurture your values
Join our community

A Welcoming Unitarian Universalist Congregation



Aiden McMahon, Minister In Residence

Many Different Beliefs.

One Welcoming Community.

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS — Aiden McMahon

CENTERING TONE

PRELUDE

CALL TO WORSHIP — Valerie Tratnyek

HYMN

CHALICE LIGHTING — *Our Shared Hope for the World* by Pat Uribe-Lichty — Aiden McMahon

MILESTONES — Emarie Pope

LIGHTING THE ADVENT WREATH — Aiden McMahon

INTERLUDE

READING — Excerpt from *Hogfather* by Terry Pratchett — Aiden McMahon

HYMN #225 — O Come, O Come, Emmanuel

words: Latin c. 9th cent, adapt. By John Mason Neale
music: Veni Emmanuel, adapt. By Thomas Helmore

O come, O come, Emmanuel, and with your captive children dwell.
Give comfort to all exiles here, and to the aching heart bid cheer.
Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel shall come within as Love to dwell.

O come, you Splendor very bright, as joy that never yields to might.
O come, and turn all hearts to peace, that greed and war at last shall cease.
Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel shall come within as Truth to dwell.

O come, you Dayspring, come and cheer our spirits by your presence here.
And dawn in every broken soul as vision that can see the whole.
Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel shall come within as Light to dwell.

O come, you Wisdom from on high, from depths that hide within a sigh,
to temper knowledge with our care, to render every act a prayer.
Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel shall come within as Hope to dwell.

SERMON "Between Truth and Lies" Aiden McMahon

HYMN

OFFERTORY

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

Many thanks to Dave and Alex Andrews for providing the music for this morning's service. Their dedication to the music program at First Parish is much appreciated!

Today's flowers are donated by Valerie Tratnyek

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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