

.ORDER OF SERVICE
May 8, 2022

Prelude *Prelude, Op. 10* Mélanie Bonis

Welcome and Announcements

Ingathering Chime

Introit "The Second Principle" David M. Glasgow

Welcome and Call to Worship

Opening Words

*Opening Hymn No. 12 [STLT]
Words: Samuel Longfellow (adap)
Music: Thomas Williams' *Psalmody Evangelica*

"O Life That Maketh All Things New"

O Life that maketh all things new,
The blooming earth, our thoughts within,
Our pilgrim feet, wet with thy dew,
In gladness hither turn again.

From heart to heart, the greeting flows,
From mind to mind the signals run,
From soul to soul the bright hope glows,
The seekers of the light are one.

The freer step, the fuller breath,
The wide horizon's grander view,
The sense of life that knows no death,
The Life that maketh all things new.

Chalice Lighting

Unison Affirmation

Love is the doctrine of this church,
The quest for truth its sacrament,
And service its prayer.
To dwell together in peace,
To seek knowledge in freedom,
To serve human need,
To the end that all souls shall
grow into harmony with the Divine —
Thus do we covenant
with each other and with God.

Joys and Sorrows

Musical Response "Spirit of Life" No. 123 [STLT]

Spirit of Life, come unto me.
Sing in my heart all the stirrings of compassion.
Blow in the wind, rise in the sea;
Move in the hand, giving life the shape of justice.
Roots hold me close; wings set me free;
Spirit of Life, come to me come to me.

Offertory

For donations to support Ukraine, please make checks payable to UUCGL with Ukraine on the memo line. Checks for the church should be payable to UUCGL with church on the memo line. All plate cash will go to Ukraine. For those joining us on Facebook Live, you may donate online at: uucgl.org/donate.

Candles of Hope and Healing

You are welcome to light a candle on the altar table during the music.

Reading

The Sermon "Women Tired of Marching"
Rev. Dr. Victoria Weinstein

Anthem "We Are" Ysaye M. Barnwell

Prayer

*Closing Hymn "There's a River" No. 1007 [STJ]
Words and Music, Rose Sanders

There's a river flowing in my soul,
There's a river flowing in my soul,
And it's telling me that I'm somebody,
There's a river flowing in my soul.]

There's a river flowing in my heart
There's a river flowing in my heart
And it's telling me that I'm somebody
There's a river flowing in my heart.

There's a river flowing in my mind,
There's a river flowing in my mind,
And it's telling me that I'm somebody,
There's a river flowing in my mind.

Benediction

Congregational Response: *AMEN*

Postlude

Klavierstück, H. 459

Fanny Mendelssohn

Donations to Support Ukraine

Our offerings to help the people of Ukraine will be sent to the humanitarian organization **Doctors Without Borders**. All donations will be matched up to \$2000 through the Grants Committee Social Justice funds. Thank you so much for your generous gifts so far.

Today's Worship Team

The Rev. Dr. Victoria Weinstein, Parish Minister

Kenneth Griffith II, Director of Music

David Collins, Keyboard

The UUCGL Choir

Jason Gatlin, Livestream Service

Steve Deveau, Videographer

W E L C O M E

Welcome, to the Unitarian Universalist Church of Greater Lynn!

Thank you for demonstrating your commitment to community well-being by maintaining safe Covid practices between yourself and others not in your "bubble." While our community trusts science and we are vaccinated if medically able to be so, transmission rates are rapidly rising in Essex County. Even if not necessarily life-threatening, Covid is still a serious disease. Please continue to support one another in mitigating the spread: masks are encouraged, as is awareness of personal space.

May love carry us forward. May we carry love through.

OUR CHURCH HISTORY

Our congregation has a long history, and the present congregation is the outcome of the merger of three churches. Our earliest roots are in the First Church of Christ of Lynn, organized in 1632.

About two hundred years later, in 1822, a group of liberals withdrew to form the Second Congregational Society. Its first building was dedicated on South Common Street in 1832 and its second at the corner of Atlantic and Baltimore Streets in 1910. In 1919 that congregation changed its name to the Unitarian Church of Lynn.

The First Universalist Society, located in Lynn, was organized in 1833. Its first building was dedicated on Union Street in 1835 and its second on Nahant Street in 1873. By the late 1800s, the congregation was the largest Universalist Church in America. In 1908, the congregation changed its name to First Universalist Parish of Lynn.

The Swampscott Universalist Society was organized in 1889, and its building on Burrill Street was dedicated in 1891. The Swampscott Universalist Society later changed its name to the Swampscott Universalist Church.

Between 1964 and 1966 these three churches consolidated. On March 22, 1981, our present meetinghouse, on seven and a half acres of wooded land in Swampscott, was dedicated; and the congregation was renamed the *Unitarian Universalist Church of Greater Lynn*.

WE ARE A SPIRITUAL COMMUNITY

that gathers to explore deeper truths together,
to support one another through the complexities
and struggles of daily life, and to serve the greater good by
becoming more compassionate in our thoughts, words and actions.
Join with us to cultivate reverence, peacefulness, and an ethic of
loving engagement with the world.