We the People

Sunday, July 10 - 10:15 am
Sanctuary & YouTube Livestream

Welcome to the Unitarian Church of Evanston's Sunday Service.
Please feel free to participate in-person and join in singing while masked! If you are participating from home, please join in full-throated singing!

Ringing the Chime

Welcome and Announcements Robb Geiger

Opening Reading from Marianne Williamson Rev. Julie Taylor

Introit "Allemande" from *English Suite in D Minor* by J.S. Bach Gregory Shifrin, piano

Land Acknowledgement Robb Geiger

Chalice Lighting *Hymn No. 88 In Lifting Our Voices* by Brian Kiely

In times of darkness, we stumble toward the tiny flame.
In times of cold, we seek the warming fire.
In times of repression, we reach for the lamp of truth.
In times of loss, we pray for the comforting light.
In times of joy, we light a candle of celebration.
Spirit of Life, as we kindle this light, help us find what we need this day.

***Covenant** by James Vila Blake

Love is the spirit of this church,
And service is its law.
This is our great covenant:
To dwell together in peace,
To seek the truth in love,
And to help one another.

***Greeting in Gratitude**

***Opening Hymn No. 307** *The Human Touch Can Light the Flame*

The human touch can light the flame
which gives a brightness to the day,
the spirit uses mortal flame,
life's vehicle for work and play.

The lover's kiss, the friend's embrace,
the clasp of hands to show we care,
the light of welcome on the face
are treasured moments all can share.

May all who come within our reach
be kindled by our inner glow,
not just in spirit's words we preach,
in human touch love's faith we show.

Time for All Ages *Duck for President* Kathy Underwood

Sung Response Hymn No. 1051 *We Are*

For each child that's born, a morning star rises and sings to the universe who we are.

For each child that's born, a morning star rises and sings to the universe who we are.

We are our grandmothers' prayers and we are our grandfathers' dreamings,
we are the breath of our ancestors, we are the spirit of God.

We are mothers of courage and fathers of time,
we are daughters of dust and the sons of great visions,
we're sisters of mercy and brothers of love,
we are lovers of life and the builders of nations,
we're seekers of truth and keepers of faith,
we are makers of peace and the wisdom of ages.

We are our grandmothers' prayers and we are our grandfathers' dreamings,
we are the breath of our ancestors, we are the spirit of God.

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Joys and Sorrows Rev. Susan Frances

Prayer Rev. Susan Frances

Sung Response Hymn No. 1002 *Comfort Me*

Comfort me, comfort me,
comfort me, oh my soul.
Comfort me, comfort me,
comfort me, oh my soul.

Sing with me, sing with me,
sing with me, oh my soul.
Sing with me, sing with me,
sing with me, oh my soul.

Comfort me, comfort me,
comfort me, oh my soul.
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comfort me, oh my soul.

Offertory

Today's offering will be shared with Moran Center for Youth Advocacy, which is dismantling the school-to-prison pipeline with a lifeline of innovative, holistic legal and social work programs.

Offertory Music *Etude op. 2 #1* by Alexander Scriabin Gregory Shifrin, piano

Reading *Preamble to the Constitution & the UU Principles* Rev. Julie Taylor

Anthem *Chant Donne* by Maurice Durufle Gregory Shifrin, piano

Sermon *We the People* Rev. Julie Taylor

Extinguishing the Chalice by The Rev. Elizabeth Selle Jones Robb Geiger

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.

***Closing Hymn No. 1058** *Be Ours a Religion*

Be ours a religion
which like sunshine goes everywhere,
its temple all space,
its shrine the good heart,
its creed all truth,
its ritual works of love.

Benediction Rev. Julie Taylor

Today's worship leaders: Rev. Julie Taylor, *Guest Preacher*; Rev. Susan Frances, *Assistant Minister for Congregational Life*; Kathy Underwood, *Director of Lifespan Faith Formation;* Robb Geiger, *Worship Associate;* Gregory Shifrin, *Piano*; Adam Gough, *A/V Technician.*

* Please rise in body or spirit. We invite you to sing along.

Please join us in the back of the sanctuary after today's worship service for Kinship Time. Stick around for Water Games and/or Sidewalk Chalk Games at Noon on the UCE Lawn.