# **Joys and Concerns**

For our visitors - We have a tradition in our Congregation to share the joys and concerns that we carry with us this week. A Greeter or Shepherd can guide you to the book where your Joys and Concerns can be written, and later in the service, shared with the Congregation. We ask that you do not use this ritual for announcements or political statements; this is intended to be a personal time of sharing the joys and concerns of your heart. Thank you.

**Welcome! Peace be with you!** It's good to have you with us for today's religious celebration. We're a Welcoming Congregation and a Green Sanctuary Congregation that works as a community – for the whole community – during every season. Hearing assistance devices and large print orders of service are available in the foyer. Sunday services are recorded for home use. Carpooling is encouraged to save energy and to improve access. Parking spaces for people with disabilities are reserved across from the front entrance and on the side of our building near the children's playground. Our website has more information about our Congregation: **www.uuffm.org.** Church office: (508) 457-0449.

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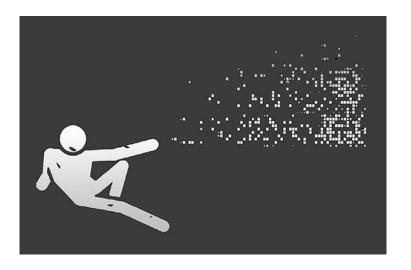
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# ORDER OF SERVICE SUNDAY, April 14, 2019

10:00 AM at the Meetinghouse



# Giving Up God For Lent

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# SUNDAY, APRIL 14, 2019 Giving Up God For Lent

\*Please rise in body or in spirit for hymns.\*

WELCOME Gail Donkin

**PRELUDE** "The Sally Gardens" Nancy Wendlandt, Piano Traditional Irish tune, arr. Joseph Martin

CALL TO WORSHIP "We Greet The Dawn" Choir Words and Music by Daniel Ratelle

# **CHALICE LIGHTING (Please sing through three times.)**

"Where Do We Come From" - Words by Paul Gaugin

Where do we come from? What are we? Where are we going? (2x) Where do we come from? (2x) Mystery. Mystery. Life is a riddle and a mystery. (2x) Where do we come from? Where are we going? (2x)

#### TIME FOR ALL AGES

HYMN #413 "Go Now in Peace"

Go now in peace. Go now in peace. May the love of God surround you Everywhere, everywhere you may go.

#### **JOYS AND CONCERNS**

**MOMENT OF PEACE**Nancy Wendlandt, Piano "Sarabande" by Dietrich Buxtehude

**SUNG MEDITATION** #4 "I Brought My Spirit to the Sea"

MOMENT OF SILENCE

### HYMN #123 "Spirit of Life"

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.

**READING**: "Atheism as a Purification" By Simone Weil

**SERMON** – *Giving Up God For Lent* The Rev. David Kohlmeier

## **AFFIRMATION OF OUR COVENANT** (Please read in unison.)

Love is the spirit of our fellowship,

And service its law.

This is our great covenant:

To dwell together in peace,

To seek the truth in love,

And to help one another.

## **OFFERTORY** "The Ground"

Choir

Music by Ola Geilo, Words based on a chorale from the *Sunrise Mass* for Choir and String Orchestra in Latin.

#### \*SONG OF EXALTATION\*

From all that dwell below the skies Let songs of hope and faith arise; Let peace, good will on earth be sung Through every land, by every tongue.

\*HYMN\* #354 "We Laugh, We Cry"

#### BENEDICTION

(You are invited to hold hands with your neighbor at this time.)

The service is being recorded.

After the service, please join us for coffee and conversation.