

You may not always have a comfortable life and you will not always be able to solve all of the world's problems at once but don't underestimate the importance you can have because history has shown that courage can be contagious and hope can take on a life of its own.

-Michele Obama

The Seven Principles

1. The inherent worth and dignity of every person;
2. Justice, equity, and compassion in human relations;
3. Acceptance of one another and encouragement to spiritual growth in our congregations;
4. A free and responsible search for truth and meaning;
5. The right of conscience and the use of the democratic process within our congregations and in society at large;
6. The goal of world community with peace, liberty, and justice for all;
7. Respect for the interdependent web of all existence of which we are a part.

Our Mission

Working toward a more just and inclusive society, our congregation supports spiritual growth and service with open doors, minds, and hearts:

Open doors for welcoming our diverse island communities and visitors;

Open minds for exploring differing ideas and beliefs;

Open hearts for deepening our connection with others and ourselves.

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Welcome to the Historic Unitarian Universalist Meeting House Nantucket Island

Open Doors

Open Minds

Open Hearts

Sunday February 9th, 2025

Guest Speaker – Barbara A. White

Unitarians at the Forefront of Reform

Lay Leader Kat Robinson Grieder



Founded in 1809

**Second Congregational Meeting House Society
Unitarian Universalist**

Order of Service

Prelude	Nigel Goss
Welcome and Announcements	Kat Robinson Grieder
Lighting the Chalice – <i>When the great mosaic of humanity is treated with respect and dignity, When no person is threatened by hunger or war, When we have extended hospitality to the stranger and tended to the sick, When equity and justice reign everywhere, Then we shall all be free. We light this flame to hold that moment in our spirit and in our minds until we can make it real</i> -Adam Slate	All
Affirmation <i>Love is the doctrine of this church, The quest for truth is its sacrament, And service is its prayer. To dwell together in peace; To seek knowledge in freedom; To serve human need; For these high purposes Do we unite in worship.</i>	All
Reading <i>from "The Atheneum Celebrates Nantucket's Anti-Slavery Movement and Local Abolitionists"</i> -Caitlin Kelley	Kat Robinson Grieder
Hymn #188 Come, Come Whoever You Are	All
Greeting One Another	All
Story for All Ages	Leyah Jensen
Children's Blessing <i>"Go now in peace, go now in peace. May the light of love surround you, Everywhere, everywhere you may go"</i>	All

Meditation - <i>The Church is a Body</i> -Victoria Weinstein	Kat Robinson Grieder
Hymn - #123 Spirit of Life	All
Joys and Concerns	All
Hymn # 86 Blessed Spirit of My Life	All
Reflection - <i>Unitarians at the Forefront of Reform</i>	Barbara A. White
Our Gifts We Bring	
Offertory – <i>Let the Life I've Lived</i> African American Spiritual, arr. Andy Davis	UU Meeting House Choir
Hymn # 121 We'll Build a Land	All
Extinguishing the Chalice <i>As we extinguish this chalice flame, may the warmth of its light remain within us, guiding our steps and our hearts. Let us carry forward the strength of this community, the courage to speak truth, and the hope that transformation is possible. In each breath we take, may we remember that the work of love, justice, and healing is ours to continue—both here and beyond these walls.</i>	All
Closing Words	Kat Robinson Grieder
Postlude	Nigel Goss
Sunday Morning Participants	
Service Leader – Kat Robinson Grieder	
Music Director – Nigel Goss	
The UU Meeting House Choir	
Youth and Children's Program Director – Leyah Jensen	
Tech Assistant – Deirdre Duffy	

proph-et tongues out - rang it till sleep-ing na-tions woke.
 or - a - cles of Con-cord one ho - ly word de - clare.
 laws but catch the mu - sic of its e - ter - nal chime.

Come, Come, Whoever You Are

188

d. = 56 *(m)*
 ① *Fm Eb Fm Eb*

Come, come, who - ev - er you are, wan - der - er,
Bb Eb Fm ③ *Eb Fm*
 wor - ship - er, lov - er of leav - ing. Ours is no car - a - van
Eb Fm Eb ④ *Fm*
 of de - spair. Come, yet a - gain come.

Words: Adapt. from Rumi, 1207-1273
 ⊕ Music: Lynn Adair Ungar, 1963-

PILGRIMAGE
Irregular

Spirit of Life

123

$\text{♩} = 56$ *Unison*

Spir - it of Life, come un-to me. Sing in my
heart all the stir-rings of com - pas - sion. Blow in the
wind, rise in the sea; move in the hand, giv-ing
life the shape of jus-tice. Roots hold me close; wings set me
free; Spir - it of Life, come to me, come to me.

Words & music: Carolyn McDade, 1935- , © 1981 Carolyn McDade,
⊕ harmony by Grace Lewis-McLaren, 1939- , © 1992 Unitarian Universalist
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SPIRIT OF LIFE
8.12.8.12.8.10.

LOVE AND COMPASSION

Blessed Spirit of My Life

86

The musical score is written for voice and piano. It features a treble and bass clef with a key signature of two sharps (F# and C#) and a 4/4 time signature. The tempo is marked as quarter note = 96. The score is divided into six systems, each with a vocal line and a piano accompaniment line. The lyrics are as follows:

♩ = 96

1. Bless - ed Spir - it of my life, give me strength through
2. Spir - it of great mys - ter - y, hear the still, small

stress and strife; help me live with dig - ni - ty;
voice in me. Help me live my word - less creed

let me know se - ren - i - ty. Fill me with a vis - ion,
as I com - fort those in need. Fill me with com - pas - sion,

clear my mind of fear and con - fu - sion. When my thoughts flow
be the source of my in - tu - i - tion. Then, when life is

rest - less - ly, let peace find a home in me.
done for me, let love be my leg - a - cy.

⊕ Words & music: Shelley Jackson Denham, 1950- ,
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PRAYER
7.7.7.7.6.9.7.7.

We'll Build a Land

$\text{♩} = 120$

1. We'll build a land where we bind up the bro - ken.
 2. We'll build a land where we bring the good tid - ings to
 3. We'll be a land build - ing up an - cient cit - ies,
 4. Come, build a land where the man - tles of prais - es re -

We'll build a land where the cap - tives go free, where the
 all the af - flict - ed and all those who mourn. And we'll
 rais - ing up dev - as - ta - tions from old; re -
 sound from spir - its once faint and once weak; where like

oil of glad - ness dis - solves all mourn - ing. Oh,
 give them gar - lands in - stead of ash - es. Oh,
 stor - ing ru - ins of gen - er - a - tions. Oh,
 oaks of right - eous - ness stand her peo - ple. Oh,

Words: Barbara Zanotti (Isaiah/Amos), adapt.,

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CREATION OF PEACE

11.10.11.10. with refrain

we'll build a prom - ised land that can be.
 we'll build a land where peace is born.
 we'll build a land of peo - ple so bold.
 come build the land, my peo - ple we seek.

Come build a land where sis - ters and broth - ers, a - noint - ed by

God, may then cre - ate peace: where jus - tice shall roll

down like wa - ters, and peace like an ev - er flow - ing stream.