



UNITARIAN CHURCH OF MONTPELIER

September 20, 2020, 10AM Eastern
Unitarian Church of Montpelier
A Unitarian Universalist Congregation

“Reflection and Renewal”

As the seasons change and, in the Jewish tradition, a new year begins, we explore the practice of self-reflection and invite a spirit of renewal into our lives.

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://zoom.us/j/91253504912?pwd=NkVOVWVaOGtqbVJsOHZ0bTBTUnRaUT09>

The Online Zoom Sanctuary will open at 9:45AM for viewing announcements and sharing greetings in the chat.

Prelude Traumerei (Dreams) Robert Schumann Eliza Thomas,
piano

Welcome Rev. Joan Javier-Duval

Chalice Lighting Mary Jane Ohlson

Song I've Got Peace Like a River African American Spiritual
Words & Music transcribed by Martin Frey

I've got peace like a river, I've got peace like a river, I've got peace like a river in my soul.

I've got peace like a river, I've got peace like a river, I've got peace like a river in my soul.

I've got joy like a fountain, I've got joy like a fountain, I've got joy like a fountain in my soul.

I've got joy like a fountain, I've got joy like a fountain, I've got joy like a fountain in my soul.

I've got love like an ocean, I've got love like an ocean, I've got love like an ocean in my soul.

I've got love like an ocean, I've got love like an ocean, I've got love like an ocean in my soul.

I've got pain like an arrow, I've got pain like an arrow, I've got pain like an arrow in my soul.

I've got pain like an arrow, I've got pain like an arrow, I've got pain like an arrow in my soul.

I've got tears like the raindrops, I've got tears like the raindrops, I've got tears like the raindrops in my soul.

I've got tears like the raindrops, I've got tears like the raindrops, I've got tears like the raindrops in my soul.

I've got strength like a mountain, I've got strength like a mountain, I've got strength like a mountain in my soul.

I've got strength like a mountain, I've got strength like a mountain, I've got strength like a mountain in my soul.

Commissioning of Lay Pastoral Care Ministry Team

Rev. Joan Javier-Duval

Lay Pastoral Care Ministry Team: Susan Baker, Pam Cameron, Mary Jane Ohlson, Art Stukey, Ruth Witte

Introduction of Interim Director of Music, Kellie Walker Hart

Rev. Joan Javier-Duval

Musical Interlude

Sarabande from Partita in C minor J.S. Bach

Eliza Thomas (audio recording)

Time of Meditation and Prayer

Sharing of Joys and Concerns Verdis L. Robinson

Meditation Rev. Joan Javier-Duval

Quiet Meditation Rev. Joan Javier-Duval

Sung Response Verdis L. Robinson

I Know This Rose Will Open Words & Music: Mary Grigolia

I know this rose will open. I know my fear will burn away.

I know my soul will unfurl its wings. I know this rose will open.

Readings

Excerpt from *Be Still and Get Going: A Jewish Meditation Practice for Real Life* by Alan Lew (2007)

Excerpt from "On Self-Examination" by Andrew Norton (1818)

Sermon Reflection and Renewal Rev. Joan Javier-Duval

Song When Our Heart Is in a Holy Place Words & Music: Poley

*When our heart is in a holy place, When our heart is in a holy place
We are bless'd with love and amazing grace, When our heart is in a holy
place*

*When we trust the wisdom in each of us, Ev'ry color ev'ry creed and kind,
And we see our faces in each other's eyes, Then our heart is in a holy
place.*

*When our heart is in a holy place, When our heart is in a holy place
We are bless'd with love and amazing grace, When our heart is in a holy
place*

*When we tell our story from deep inside, And we listen with a loving
mind,*

*And we hear our voices in each other's words, Then our heart is in a holy
place.*

When our heart is in a holy place, When our heart is in a holy place

*We are bless'd with love and amazing grace, When our heart is in a holy place
When we share the silence of sacred space, And the God of our Heart stirs within,
And we feel the power of each other's faith, Then our heart is in a holy place.*

*When our heart is in a holy place, When our heart is in a holy place
We are bless'd with love and amazing grace, When our heart is in a holy place.*

Invitation to Generosity

UCM Online Giving: <https://ucmvt.breezechms.com/give/online>

Unison Mission Statement and Chalice Extinguishing

*We welcome all
as we build a loving community,
to nurture each person's spiritual journey,
serve human need,
and protect the Earth, our home.*

Announcements

Closing Words Rev. Joan Javier-Duval

Postlude

Rondeau from Partita No. 2
Eliza Thomas, piano (audio recording)

Stay on the Zoom meeting to join us for Coffee Hour immediately following the service.