



# UNITARIAN CHURCH OF MONTPELIER

**October 25, 2020, 10AM Eastern**  
**Unitarian Church of Montpelier**  
A Unitarian Universalist Congregation

## **“Vote Love: Answering the Call of Our Faith”**

*In the midst of global pandemic, rising authoritarianism, and uprising, lives hang in the balance and the future of democracy is on the line. In response, Unitarian Universalists are answering the call of our faith, building powerful partnerships to mobilize our communities to #VoteLove and #DefeatHate in the 2020 elections. Join our UCM Worship Team and a lineup of powerful, prophetic UU voices as we explore the intersections of faith, justice, and democracy in this collective virtual service.*

### Join Zoom Meeting

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

Or Dial (929) 436-2866 and enter Meeting ID: 912 5350 4912, Passcode: 37861.

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

**Welcome** Rev. Joan Javier-Duval

**Prelude** Songs Without Words by Felix Mendelssohn, Op. 19, No.4  
Eliza Thomas, piano

**Call to Worship** Verdis L. Robinson

**Song** We Shall Be Known by the duo MaMuse, We Thrive Virtual Choir

*We shall be known by the company we keep,  
By the ones who circle ‘round to tend these fires  
We shall be known by the ones who sow and reap the seeds*

*Of change alive from deep within the earth.*

*It is time now, it is time now that we thrive,  
It is time we lead ourselves into the well  
It is time now, and what a time to be alive  
in this great turning we shall learn to lead in love  
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**Chalice Lighting** Oskar Neuberger

**Time for All Ages** The Story of Frances Ellen Watkins Harper  
Christina Rivera, Aisha Hauser, and Michael Tino  
Lead Ministry Team, Church of the Larger Fellowship

**Musical Interlude** Grace and Mercy (Franklin D. Williams,  
performed by Amanda Thomas)

**Time of Meditation and Prayer**

**Joys and Concerns** Rev. Joan Javier-Duval

**Prayer**

**Quiet Meditation**

**Sung Response** Spirit of Life #123 Kellie Walker Hart

Words and music by Carolyn McDade, born 1935

*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.*

**Homily** Rev. Susan Frederick-Gray, President of the Unitarian  
Universalist Association (pre-recorded)

**Song** Building a New Way #1017, Words and music: Martha Sandefer

1. *We are building a new way (3X)*

*Feeling stronger ev'ry day,*

*We are building a new way.*

2. *We are working to be free. (3X)*  
*Hate and greed and jealousy.*  
*We are working to be free.*
  
3. *We can feed our every need (3X)*  
*Start with love, that is the seed.*  
*We can feed our every need.*
  
4. *Peace and freedom is our cry (3X)*  
*Without these this world will die.*  
*Peace and freedom is our cry.*

### **Invitation to Generosity**

UU the Vote Testimonial    Rev. Ashley Horan

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**    Elaine Ball

**Call to Action and Benediction**    Verdis L. Robinson

**Postlude**    Give Us Hope by Jim Papoulis  
UCM Choir and Eliza Thomas, piano

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