

Order of Service

“Power without love is reckless and abusive and love without power is sentimental and anemic.”

—Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.

Organ Prelude Chorale Prelude, “Sleepers Awake” J. S. Bach

Welcome and Introduction The Reverend David P. Hubner

Processional Hymn
“Rank by Rank, Again We Stand” John Huntley Skrine
Congregation rises Recast by the Reverend Carl G. Seaburg, 1990

Rank by rank, again we stand,
From the four winds gathered hither.
Loud the hallowed walls demand
Whence we come, and how, and whither.
From their stillness breaking clear,
Echoes wake to warn or cheer;
Higher truth from saint and seer
Call to us assembled here.

Ours the years’ memorial store,
Honored days and names we reckon,
Days of comrades gone before,
Lives that speak and deeds that beckon.
From the dreaming of the night
To the labors of the day,
Shines their everlasting light,
Guiding us upon our way.

Though the path be hard and long,
Still we strive in expectation;
Join we now their ageless song
One with them in aspiration.
One in name, in honor one,
Guard we well the crown they won;
What they dreamed be ours to do,
Hope their hopes and seal them true.

Lighting of the Chalice Mira, Vilo and Nada Velimirovic’

Call to Worship The Reverend David P. Hubner

Celebration of the Sabbath The Reverend David A. Pettee

Choral Response
“Hava Nashirah” Traditional Hebrew

A Litany of Remembrance and Recognition The Reverend Beth Williams
Adapted from the Reverend Dr. David C. Pohl

From the comings and goings of our lives
We have set apart this time and place
To honor the calling of ministry,

*To give voice to our lasting love for those now gone from us,
To give thanks to those whose tireless service
Has deepened our lives and strengthened our movement,*

And to welcome and charge those more recent practitioners
Whose talents and devotion give us hope for our future.
May this living tradition of ministry
reveal to us with unexpected freshness

*A past that was not only for its own time
but may as well tell us things we need to hear
For the time now given to us;*

Things that we may in turn, pass on to those who shall follow us,
things for which we give thanks,
and yet more thanks:

*Ministers, religious educators,
and other religious leaders who have shown us,
By their living, what it means to live for others,
Who witnessed for peace and justice,
Who helped us to believe in ourselves and others;*

Laypersons who have been patient when we have been difficult
And encouraging when we have faltered;
Who have helped us to be human and to be real,

*And yet have held us to standards of excellence
Even as they have brought a sense of calling
To their own work in the world.*

Of such things is our tradition made—
Which is reason enough
To cherish, celebrate, and enlarge its many truths and blessings.

Welcoming the New Religious Educators Elizabeth M. Jones

Recognition of the Credentialed Religious Educators—Masters Level The Reverend Beth Williams

Extending the Hand of Fellowship The Reverend Dr. William G. Sinkford
Elizabeth M. Jones
The Reverend Makanah Morriss
The Reverend David P. Hubner

Welcoming the New Ministers Phyllis Daniel

Recognition of Those Ministers Who Have Entered into Preliminary Fellowship The Reverend David A. Pettee

Recognition of Those Ministers Who Have Attained Final Fellowship The Reverend Dr. Michelle W. Bentley

Extending the Hand of Fellowship The Reverend Dr. William G. Sinkford
The Reverend Dr. Kendyl L. Gibbons
Phyllis Daniel
The Reverend David P. Hubner

Recognition of Those Completing Service The Reverend Dr. John H. Weston

Extending Appreciation and Thanks The Reverend Dr. William G. Sinkford
The Reverend Dr. Kendyl L. Gibbons
The Reverend Dr. Joyce H. Smith
The Reverend David P. Hubner

Offering for the Living Tradition Fund The Reverend Dr. Ralph Mero

Choral Offertory “By the Waters of Babylon” Traditional

Sermon
“Count It All Joy” The Reverend Rosemary Bray McNatt

Choral Response
“I Shall Not Live in Vain” Music, Bill Douglas
Words, Emily Dickinson and William Blake

Roll Call and Prayer The Reverend Dr. William G. Sinkford
Congregation rises

Piano Response
“Morning Has Broken” (arr. W. D. Beaudreault)

Benediction The Reverend David P. Hubner

Choral Benediction “May a Song” from “Three Choral Benedictions”
The Reverend Jason Shelton

Recessional Hymn
“For All the Saints” (Adapted) William Walsham How
Congregation remains standing

For all the saints who from their labors rest,
Who thee by faith before the world confessed,
Thy name, most holy, be forever blest: Alleluia, Alleluia!

Thou wast their rock, their shelter, and their might;
Their strength and solace in the well-fought fight;
Thou in the darkness deep their one true light: Alleluia, Alleluia!

And when the strife is fierce, the conflict long,
Steals on the ear the distant triumph-song,
And hearts are brave again, and arms are strong: Alleluia, Alleluia!

Organ Postlude “St. Stephen” from “Saints Days” Daniel Pinkham

Notes on the Service

This is the fifty-ninth annual Service of the Living Tradition. It recognizes ministers who have been granted Preliminary Fellowship, achieved Final Fellowship, or completed full-time service and religious educators who have achieved Credentialed Religious Educator—Masters Level status, and commemorates ministers and credentialed religious educators who died between June 18, 2003, and May 28, 2004. The service is prepared and led by the Ministry and Professional Leadership Staff Group of the Unitarian Universalist Association: the Reverend David P. Hubner, Director; the Reverend Dr. Michelle W. Bentley, Professional Development Director; the Reverend Dr. Ralph Mero, Church Staff Finances Director; the Reverend David A. Pettee, Ministerial Credentialing Director, the Reverend Dr. John H. Weston, Settlement Director and the Reverend Beth Williams, Religious Education Credentialing Director.

The offering received today supports the Living Tradition Fund, which provides Unitarian Universalist ministerial students and ministers with scholarships, grants, and financial assistance in times of need.

The preacher for the service is the Reverend Rosemary Bray McNatt. She is minister of The Fourth Universalist Society in the City of New York, a 166-year old Unitarian Universalist congregation on the Upper West Side of Manhattan. Born and raised in Chicago, Illinois, she is a graduate of Yale University and Drew Theological Seminary. An editor and widely anthologized writer for more than 20 years before answering the call to ordained ministry, Reverend McNatt is a former editor at the *New York Times Book Review*. Her years of service to the Unitarian Universalist faith have included work as a member of the Association's Committee on Urban Concerns and Ministry; the Task Force for Strategic Options for Beacon Press; and chair of the Board of Trustees of Starr King School for the Ministry. Currently she serves as a member of the Association's Panel on Theological Education and is a founder of the Unitarian Universalist Trauma Response Ministry. She lives in New York City with her husband, Robert, and their two sons, Allen and Daniel.

Other worship leaders are:

The Reverend Dr. Kendyl L. Gibbons, President of the Unitarian Universalist Ministers Association and Senior Minister of the First Unitarian Society of Minneapolis, Minnesota

Phyllis Daniel, Chair of the Ministerial Fellowship Committee

The Reverend Makanah Morriss, President of the Liberal Religious Educators Association and Co-Minister of the Unitarian Universalist Church of Cheyenne, Wyoming

Elizabeth M. Jones, Chair of the Religious Education Credentialing Committee and Director of Religious Education, First Unitarian Universalist Church of San Diego, California

The Reverend Dr. William G. Sinkford, President of the Unitarian Universalist Association

The Reverend Dr. Joyce H. Smith, Unitarian Universalist Retired Ministers and Partners Association

Representing the surviving families of ministers who have died during the past year are Mira, Milo and the Reverend Nada Velimirovic', the children of the Reverend Norma G. Veridan.

The organist is Kenneth Herman, Director of Music, First Unitarian Universalist Church of San Diego, California.

The Singers of the Living Tradition is composed entirely of Unitarian Universalist ministers, ministerial candidates, religious educators, musicians and their families. The choir director is Dr. Toni R. Tollerud, Music Director, Unitarian Universalist Fellowship of DeKalb, Illinois. The pianist and choir accompanist is the Reverend W. Donald Beaudreault, Minister, Unitarian Universalist Church of Sarasota, Florida.

The flaming chalice was crafted by Robert Duprey, a member of the Universalist Unitarian Church of Brockton, Massachusetts.

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CREDENTIALLED RELIGIOUS EDUCATORS—MASTERS LEVEL

Ann L. Barker	Betsy Darr	Susan Antelis Nykolak
Helen H. Bishop	Gail Forsyth-Vail	Ellie Smith
Gaia Brown	Barry Horn	Mindy Whisenhunt
Eva Magdalena Českava	Carol MacFarlane	Patricia D. Withers

MINISTERS RECEIVING PRELIMINARY FELLOWSHIP

Parish		
Jennie Ann Barrington	Cheryl Rubin Lloyd	Penelope Carol Rather
Eliza S. Blanchard	Rosemary Suozzi Lloyd	Darrel Lee Richey
Emily Sturtevant Burr	Jacqueline Anne Luck	Kathy S. Sage
Jacqueline R. Clement	Dennis McCarty	Thomas Patrick Schmidt
Alison M. Cornish	Nancy Elizabeth McDonald	Craig H. Scott
Jennifer Feldwick Crow	Alison Beth Miller	Nancy Morgan Shaffer
Mary Margaret Earl	Sarah K. Moldenhauer-Salazar	James Peter Sherblom
David Warren Farrington	James Jake Bohstedt Morrill	Sylvia Ann Stocker
Sandra Fees	Julie Stuart Newhall	Abigail J. Stockman
Alicia Roxanne Forde	David Carl Olson	Nathan Lincoln Stone
Marc Steven Fredette	G. Kathleen Owens	Byrd Tetzlaff
S. Meredith Garmon	Deane Merlin Perkins	Matthew Deane Tittle
Catherine Harrington	Susan D. Phoenix	Mark P. Ward
Nancy Palmer Jones	Patti A. Pomerantz	Addae Lee Watson
Betty N. Kornitzer	Carolyn Price	Joanne Dodge Whelden
Jeffrey Phillips Lambkin	Jeanne M. Pupke	Virginia Leora Bonham Wolf
Tomas E. Lewis	Fred J. Rabidoux	

Community

Stephanie Christine Barnett	Daniel Robert Owens	Jason Anthony Shelton
Mellen Kennedy	Ann J. Romanczuk	Jerome A. Stone
Melissa Ann Mummert	David Matthew Scheuneman	Krista Marie Taves
Eric H. Ness		

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Eva Magdalena Českava	Lynn Mikula Kerr
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MINISTERS RECEIVING FINAL FELLOWSHIP

Parish		
Sara Elanor Ascher	Jodi Cohen Hayashida	Evelyn A. Plumb
Wendy L. Bell	Kenneth Bruce Jones	Alex Levi Richardson
Marguerite Elaine Bomford	James Kubal-Komoto	Henry Simoni-Wastila
Jennifer Leigh Brower	Timothy A. Kutzmark	Grace Howker Simons
Carolyn R. Brown	Judith Anne LaFollette	Larry W. Smith
Christopher Buice	Stephen A. Landale	Joshua Snyder
Ralph T. Clarke	Hilary Landau Krivchenia	Donald P. Southworth
Rebecca F. Cohen	Linda Lawrence	Ellen Rowse Spero
Melora Lynn Crooker	Kent Charles Matthies	Fayre Curtis Stephenson
Sean Parker Dennison	William Chester McCall, III	Jane Elizabeth Thickstun
Frances A. Dew	Margo Rae McKenna	Mary Elizabeth Tiebout
Lydia Ferrante-Roseberry	Rosemary Bray McNatt	Adam James Tierney-Eliot
Rob Gregson	Peg Boyle Morgan	Valerie T. Wills

Community

Peggy Smith Block	Ann Stuart Galloway-Egge	Suzanne Marie Owens-Pike
Clare Elizabeth Butterfield	Benjamin Cooley Hall	Margaret King Saphier
Anita L.K. Farber-Robertson	Cynthia Lynnette Gerhart Kane	Marion B. Visel
Patricia M. Franz	Susan M. Matranga-Watson	

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MINISTERS COMPLETING FULL-TIME MINISTRIES

Margaret Elaine Corletti	Norman V. Naylor	Dwight E. Smith
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James E. Grant	Sarah W. Oelberg	Audrey Wise Vincent
Carol C. Hilton	Roy D. Phillips	Bets Wienecke
Elizabeth Miller McMaster	Laurie Ellen Proctor	David N. Williams
Barbara Dunbar Morgan		

MINISTERS DECEASED

Francis C. Anderson	Calvin R. Knapp	Raymond J. Pontier
James L. Bosveld	Nathaniel P. Lauriat	Peter Spilman Raible
John W. Brigham	Duncan E. Littlefair	Malcolm R. Sutherland
Maryell Cleary	R. Lester Mondale	Norma G. Veridan
John B. Isom	R. Paul Mueller	Rhys Williams
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