

THOUGHTS FOR GATHERING

“All living organisms derive from a single unit that generates complexity.... It’s kind of like freeze-dried food. To create life, you just add water.”

- fictional chemist Ken Kern in R. W. White’s The Man Who Invented Florida

“You are the light of the world.” - Jesus of Nazareth, Gospel of John

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE

Dust In the Wind by Kerry Livgren

*TEMPLE BELL

*CHALICE LIGHTING AND COVENANT

Love is the spirit of this church 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.

*HYMN #12

O Life That Maketh All Things New

INVOCATION (Responsive)

Beginning, adapted from Genesis 1 & 2

In beginning **may we call the Spirit of Life to fullness within us.**

May it come as at the first calling,

from dark formlessness to the goodness of time and light.

May it come as at the second calling, **to the goodness of fluidity and space.**

May it come as at the third calling, **to the goodness of forms and objects.**

May it come as at the fourth calling,

to the goodness of water and air and earth.

May it come as at the fifth calling,

to the goodness of creatures of sea and sky and land.

May it come as at the sixth calling, **to the goodness of the peoples,**

empowered to transform and care.

May the Spirit of Life come as at the seventh calling,

to the great goodness of *shalom*.

TIME FOR ALL AGES

Higgins the Drop of Water

WATER COMMUNION

Water Blessings and Whence They Came

SINGING THE CHILDREN FORTH

Go now in peace, go now in peace; may the spirit of love surround you everywhere, everywhere you may go.

SHARING JOYS AND SORROWS

MEDITATION

The Divine Milieu by Teilhard de Chardin, S.J.

OFFERTORY

Is There Anybody Out There? by Roger Waters

READING

The Big Being Theory According to the Gospel of John

*HYMN #146

Soon the Day Will Arrive

READING

from *Sapiens* by Yuval Noah Harari

SERMON

CONSIDER THE SOURCE:

What Is the Influence of the Beginner’s Mind?

*HYMN #123

Spirit of Life

*BENEDICTION

*CARRYING FORTH THE LIGHT

We extinguish this flame, but not the light of truth, the warmth of love, or the fire of courage. These we carry in our hearts and out into the world.

POSTLUDE

Also Sprach Zarathustra by Richard Strauss

* Asterisks indicate an opportunity to stand..

Speaker: Rev. Jack Donovan

Liturgist: Sarah Craig

Pianist: Teresa Ancaya

Hospitality: Kevin Wamboldt

Greeters:

Flowers:

