

United First Parish Church

Order of Service

PRELUDE Ejae/Mark Sonnenblick/24/Ido/Teddy
Golden (from KPop Demon Hunters)

WELCOME AND OPENING WORDS Rev. Rebecca Froom

CHALICE LIGHTING Congregant

*COVENANT Rev. Rebecca Froom
As a free fellowship of this historic church,
We unite to lift our hearts and open our minds to a larger reality;
To accept, support, and encourage one another;
To seek the wisdom in all religions;
To cherish and sustain the web of life;
And to strive for justice, compassion, and peace.

*GREET YOUR NEIGHBORS Rev. Rebecca Froom

*HYMN #128 *For All That Is Our Life*

MESSAGE FOR ALL AGES *Broken Symphony* Bailey Whiteman

*CHILDREN'S RECESSIONAL *As You Go* By John Ruben Piirainen
As you go, may joy surround you,
As you go, go in peace.
Know our love is with you always,
as you go, as you go.
(Children are invited to leave for their Spirit Circle programs)

JOYS AND SORROWS Rev. Rebecca Froom

MEDITATION AND PRAYER Rev. Rebecca Froom

HYMN #83 *Winds Be Still*

READING Bailey Whiteman
A letter from *Dear Universe* by Yolo Akili

MUSICAL INTERLUDE Performed by Melanie and Tony Winters
What Was I Made For by Billie Eilish O'Connell and Finneas O'Connell

*Please Stand as you are able.

"Church of the Presidents"

Sunday, February 1, 2026

REFLECTION PART ONE Bailey Whiteman

SONG *We Tell Stories* By Jim Woodlands, arr. Bailey Whiteman
Chorus: Spin me another one,
Just like the other one,
Spin me and show me the writing on the wall.
We are dancers, romancers, answering the call.
We tell stories to each other,
And that is all.

REFLECTION PART TWO

*HYMN #306 *Sing of Living, Sing of Dying*

REFLECTION PART 3

SONG *All One Heart* By Melanie DeMore

REFLECTION PART 4

HYMN #317 *We Are Not Our Own*

OFFERING INVITATION Rev Rebecca Froom
Donations can be placed in the offering plates or can be made online at ufpc.org.

OFFERTORY *Busca el Amor (#1004)* Performed by UFPC Choir

ANNOUNCEMENTS Rev. Rebecca Froom

BENEDICTION Bailey Whiteman

*SUNG BENEDICTION By Patricia Yates and Harold Brown
Carry the flame of peace and love until we meet again.

POSTLUDE *May I Be Light* Tony Winters and Bailey Whiteman
Rev. Mykal O'Neal Slack (Sing Out Love)

We invite you to join us for social hour following the service.

Childcare is provided.

Acting Director of Music: Tony Winters
Music Transitions Consultant: Bailey Whiteman
UFPC Choir: Kim Dangora, Karl DeBisschop, David Downs, Donna Ekstrand, Lee Forest, Beverly Garcia, Becky Rizzoli, G. Fred Shepard, Josiah Shevlin, John Sincak, Nicole Smith, Ann Marie Willer, Melanie Winters
Greeter: Albert Vaughn
Usher: David Bousquin
Livestream: Noel Palatas
Social Hour: Marie-Louise Jackson-Miller, Leslie Simpson
Flowers: Pat Artis, Claire Fitzmaurice, Katie Sharitt, Allegra Taylor

We are a Unitarian Universalist congregation where thoughtful and caring people from many faith backgrounds gather for spiritual growth and learning, to build community, and to live our values of love and compassion in the wider world. Here you will find companions for the journey. Bring your questions, your hopes, and your ideals.

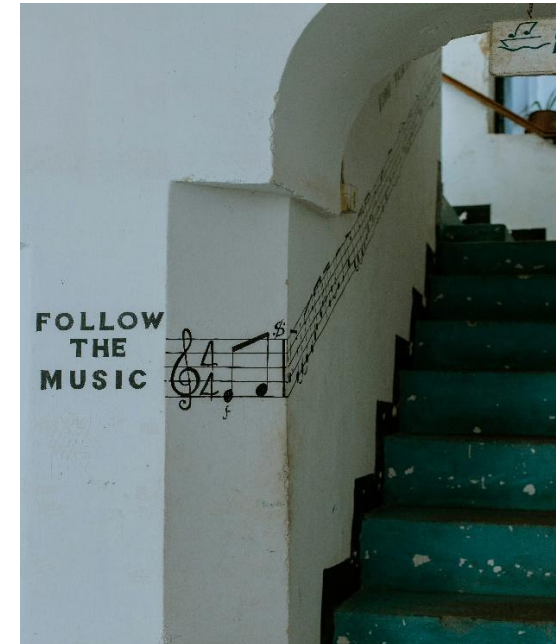
United First Parish Church has roots in two congregations who merged in 1958: First Parish Church founded in 1639 and Wollaston Unitarian Society founded in 1888. This magnificent building was designed by Alexander Parrish; it is the fourth meeting house of the Church and was completed in 1828. John Adams and John Quincy Adams, the second and sixth Presidents of the United States, were life-long members of the Church and are entombed along with their wives First Ladies Abigail Adams and Louisa Catherine Adams in the Church's crypt. The church operates a History and Visitors Program from mid-April to mid-November, giving tours of the Presidential Crypt and our historic sanctuary.

Elected Leaders: Marie-Louise Jackson-Miller (President), Jacqueline Rodriguez (Vice-President), Clyde Cortright (Treasurer), Erwin Schaareman (Assistant Treasurer), Ryan Ruel (Clerk), Karl DeBisschop and Peter Kovach (Stewardship), David Downs (Social Justice Action), Patricia Desmond (Communications), Nicole and Israel Smith (Congregational Life), Andrew Carleen (Religious Education), G. Frederick Shepard (Worship), David Fallon (Committee on Ministry), Sarah Belfort (Nominating Committee).

Staff: Rev. Rebecca Froom (Lead Minister), Rev. Dr. Sheldon Bennett (Minister Emeritus), Ann Parsley (Ministerial Intern), Nan Moore (Affiliate Lay Community Minister), Elizabeth Foster (Director of Religious Education and Family Ministry), David Bousquin (Office and Property Manager), Tony Winters (Acting Director of Music), Kendall Doty (Communications Coordinator).



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“What Is Our Music?”

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