

Unitarian Universalist Church Of Silver Spring
Online Worship Order of Service



Sunday, July 18, 2021

**Adventures in Misunderstanding – Lessons from Tim Burton's
Nightmare Before Christmas**

**Led by Rev. Christina Leone-Tracy and the Worship Staff of the Fox
Valley UU Fellowship in Appleton, Wisconsin**

The Rev. Kristin Grassel Schmidt, *Minister*

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Prelude:

With a Little Help from My Friends / The Beatles, Joe Cocker version / House Band / 11/11/2018

We Are Family / Bernard Edwards, Nile Rodgers, Sister Sledge / Children's Choir, Sanctuary Singers, Don Berkemeyer, bass, Doyle Rice, drums / 2/12/2019

Space Captain / Joe Cocker / Charles Alexander, soloist, UUCSS A Cappella Group / 3/10/2019

True Colors / B. Steinberg, T. Kelly, C. Lauper / Carey Schneider & Audrey Engdahl / 5/19/2019

Teach Your Children / Graham Nash / Nancy Dougherty & Carey Schneider / 6/19/2016

Show Me the Way / Dennis DeYoung (Styx) / Pastor David B. Smith, Sanctuary Singers and Friends & 50 Ways to Light Your Chalice Band / 10/16/2016

Brave / Sara Bareilles / Children's Choir / 3/8/2020

Peace, Salaam, Shalom / Emma's Revolution / Michael Holmes and Carey Schneider / 10/4/2015

Welcome (Bonnie Gallion, Worship Associate)

Song of Exultation

Since what we choose is what we are,

And what we love we yet shall be,

The goal may ever shine afar,

The will to reach it makes us free.

Chalice Lighting (Jack Skellington, Honorary Worship Associate)

We light this flame as a symbol of new life enlightening our way, as a symbol of the warmth in every human heart.

Let the lighting of this flame rekindle in us the inner light of hope, of peace, of love.

Congregational Commitment (Bonnie Gallion, Worship Associate)

(Excerpt: Preamble of UUCSS Congregational Constitution)

As we gather here for worship,

We pledge ourselves to the endless search for truth;

To the right of each to believe as mind, heart, and conscience dictate;

To accept the responsibility this freedom commands;

And to implement our belief in the essential worth and dignity of every human being.

Hymn

Hymn #361 “Enter, Rejoice, and [Log] In” (From *Singing the Living Tradition*)

Introduction and Brief Synopsis (Rev. Christina Leone Tracy and Cindy Darling, Lay Worship Leader)

Song

“Jack’s Lament” from *The Nightmare Before Christmas* / Words and Music by Danny Elfman

Time for All Ages (Rev. Christina Leone Tracy and Cindy Darling, Lay Worship Leader)

Song

“What’s This?” from *The Nightmare Before Christmas* / Words and Music by Danny Elfman

Communion of Joys and Sorrows (Bonnie Gallion, Worship Associate)

As the Tears Flow / Written and Performed by Dean Carrigan

----- After the Communion of Joys and Sorrows, we invite congregants to shift their focus from commenting in the chat to focusing on the content of the service. -----

Meditation and Silence (Rev. Christina Leone Tracy)

Hymn

Hymn #1011 “Return Again” (From *Singing the Journey*)

Sermon “Adventures in Misunderstanding” (Rev. Christina Leone Tracy)

Offering Invitation (Rev. Christina Leone Tracy and Bonnie Gallion, Worship Associate)

Offertory

“Jack’s Obsession” from *The Nightmare Before Christmas* / Words and Music by Danny Elfman

Blessing the Offering (Bonnie Gallion, Worship Associate)

Closing Hymn

Hymn #318 "We Would Be One" (from Singing the Living Tradition)

Chalice Extinguishing (Jack Skellington, Honorary Worship Associate)

As we extinguish the flame in our chalice, we remember the one that continues to burn, the spirit of Halloween, the spirit of Christmas, and the spirit of joy all year long. We seek to keep the light of understanding and love kindled, through the power of relationship.

Postlude

I'm Gonna Live So Love Can Use Me / American Gospel Hymn / Performed by Singers of UUCSS and members of the Racial Justice Task Force

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