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Sunday, June 23, 2013
10:00 a.m.
— I LOVE YOU ALL, EVERYTHING —

Please stand, as you are able. Latecomers may be seated.

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS
Lawson Wulsin

PRELUDE
Summertime
Karl Drumm, piano

G. & I. Gershwin (arr. Drumm)

OPENING WORDS
#435

KINDLING THE CHALICE (unison)

HYMN
Old Hundredth

From all that dwell below the skies
De todos bajo el gran sol
Let songs of hope and faith arise
Surja esperanza, fe, amor
Let peace, goodwill on earth be sung
Verdad, y belleza cantando,
Through every land, by every tongue
De cada tierra, cada voz.

STORY
Ox-Cart Man, by Donald Hall

*COMMUNITY GREETING

OFFERTORY
Memory (from Cats)

Lloyd Webber (arr. Drumm)

*HYMN
Blest Be the Tie That Binds

attached

MEDITATION
i thank You God, by e. e cummings

#504

INTERLUDE
And When I Die
DAMB, vocal; Karl Drumm, piano

Nyro (arr. Drumm)

READINGS
from Consensus Statement from Global Scientists
from Guy McPherson, “Let go, or be dragged”

*HYMN
For the Earth Forever Turning

#163

SERMON
I Love You All, Everything

David Mix Barrington
WELCOME

We welcome you this morning – from first time visitors to long time members and friends. We’d like to remind you that wearing a name tag gives everyone a chance to greet you by name, and helps newcomers feel more at home.

We have childcare available downstairs, and our services are also audio-transmitted to the Parlor, next to the Great Hall. With toys and comfortable furniture, this is a good space for parents to hear the service if a very small baby needs to be communicative. Please remember that some in the congregation, particularly those with hearing loss, may have trouble listening if there are distractions in the Great Hall.

Please join us for lemonade and cookies in the Parlor after the service
Please refrain from applause while the chalice is lit.

Thanks to Lawson, Sahar, Sarah, and Karl, to our ushers, and to the Welcome Team.

Text of the sermon and readings will be available soon at http://www.cs.umass.edu/~barring/uu/service13

MUSIC AND READERS

Laura Nyro's gospel-inspired song appears on her 1967 debut album More Than a New Discovery and was a #2 hit for Blood, Sweat and Tears in 1969. The prelude honors today's official start of summer services. The first hymn is one of those sung by the church choir in Our Town.

Karl has played and accompanied me at summer services for several years now. Sahar Eisenstein-Bond is David's colleague in Hampshire Shakespeare Company. Lawson Wulsin (also an HSC veteran) and Sarah Metcalf are familiar presences in the Society's services.

FLOWERS

This morning’s flowers are arranged by Sally Lawton.

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