

A Lifelong Sharing

Love cannot remain by itself
—it has no meaning.

Love has to be put into action
and that action is service.

Whatever form we are,
able or disabled,
rich or poor,

It is not how much we do,
But how much love we put in the doing;
A lifelong sharing of love with others.

- Mother Teresa



Unitarian Universalist Fellowship of San Dieguito

Single Service at 10:00am

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Sunday, October 17, 2021

**Celebration of the Installation of
Rev. Jo Ann Elizabeth Green**

 UUFSD is a welcoming congregation

Prelude “Lavender Fields” by Valerie Roth Roubos

Katie Klaerich

Processional Hymn #358 Rank by Rank

by John Huntley Skrine, Carl Seaburg and Kendyl Gibbons

*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.*

Welcome *Liora Kian-Gutierrez, UUFSD Board President*

Greetings *Patricia Cofre-Stone*

Land Acknowledgement *Rev. Dr. Everett Howe*

Lighting the Chalice

Leader *Patricia Cofre-Stone*
Lighter *Ohana Hauptfeld*

Call to Worship

Alison A.L.G. McLeod, Director of Religious Education

Greetings from the UUA *Rev. Sarah Gibb Millspaugh*

Reading *Ohana Hauptfeld*

Meditation and Prayer *The Rev. Dr. Everett Howe*

Congregational Hymn #305 De Colores

Traditional Latinx folk song,

*De colores, de colores se visten los campos en la primavera.
De colores, de colores son los pajaritos que vienen de a fuera.
De colores, de colores es el arcoiris que vemos lucir.
Y por eso los grandes amores de muchos colores me gustan a mí.
Y por eso los grandes amores de muchos colores me gustan a mí.*

*De colores, sí de blanco y negro y rojo y azul y castaño.
Son colores, son colores de gente que rie y estrecha la mano.
Son colores, son colores de gente que sabe de la libertad.
Y por eso los grandes amores de muchos colores me gustan a mí.
Y por eso los grandes amores de muchos colores me gustan a mí.*

Translation:

*In colors, the fields dress in colors in the spring.
Colorful are the birds that come from outside.
Colorful is the rainbow that we see shining.
And that is why I feel the great love of the many colors.*

*In colors, yes in white, and black, and blue, and red, and tan.
These are the colors of people who laugh and reach out their hands.
They are the colors of people who know what it means to be free.
And that is why I feel the great love of the many colors.*

Offertory: Living Tradition Fund *Patricia Cofre-Stone*

Reading *Rigdon Currie*

Sermon “Wilderness Reclaimed”

The Rev. Sarah Gibb Millspaugh

Special Music “What a Wonderful World”

by Bob Thiele and George David Weiss

*Juan Tomás Acosta, Royce Ferguson
Mike Lawton, and Marshall Voit*

Charge to the Minister

Rev. Tania Marquez

Charge to the Congregation

Rev. Dr. Beth Johnson

Congregational Hymn #1064 Blue Boat Home

Words by Peter Mayer, Music by Roland Hugh Prichard

*Though below me,
I feel no motion standing on these mountains and plains.
Far away from the rolling ocean still my dry land heart can say:
I've been sailing all my life now, never harbor or port have I known.
The wide universe is the ocean I travel
and the earth is my blue boat home.*

*Sun my sail and moon my rudder as I ply the starry sea,
leaning over the edge in wonder, casting questions into the deep.
Drifting here with my ship's companions, all we kindred pilgrim souls,
making our way by the lights of the heavens
in our beautiful blue boat home.*

*I give thanks to the waves upholding me,
hail the great winds urging me on,
greet the infinite sea before me, sing the sky my sailor's song:
I was born up on the fathoms, never harbor or port have I known.
The wide universe is the ocean I travel,
and the earth is my blue boat home.*

Act of Installation *Liora Kian-Gutierrez, UUFSD Board President*

Church President: No right is more precious to a free congregation than that of choosing its own minister. By the same token, no right is more precious to a Unitarian Universalist minister than of choosing the congregation she or he will serve. It is with great joy that we formally recognize the relationship now existing between the people of the Unitarian Universalist Fellowship of San Dieguito and the Reverend Jo Ann Elizabeth Green, whom we have freely chosen and who have freely chosen us. Our choice is based not only on our heritage of liberal religion but also upon the hopes and aspirations we hold for the future. This service symbolizes our dedication to new efforts. We affirm by this act the goals toward which we strive and the ideals by which we are sustained and strengthened. Will the members please rise in body or spirit and join me in the following words:

Members: We cherish our congregation for its historic achievements and for its efforts to keep abreast of changing times and changing human needs. We celebrate its devotion to freedom, its belief in the intrinsic dignity and worth of human beings, its responsiveness to the needs and aspirations of its people.

We cherish the memory of those who founded, nurtured, and progressively transformed our existence as a congregation.

We cherish our congregation for all that it now has to give: the relationships it makes possible, the loyalties and common endeavors it encourages, the imagination and creativity it stimulates, the comfort and solace it brings, the quickened sense of conscience it engenders, the positive influence it exerts on children, youth, adults, and the wider community.

We cherish our congregation for what it may yet become through our united efforts.

Church President: Having thus expressed our love for our congregation, we now desire to install you as our minister. We recognize that this act symbolizes a covenant together. We would have you dwell among us preaching the truth in freedom and love. We would have you minister to us in our times of joy and sorrow. We would have you lead with us a mutual quest toward a greater and deeper religious life. Are you willing to take up these obligations?

Minister: I am.

Church President: We on our part, pledge ourselves to remember that the work of this church belongs to us all. As we would ask you to be charitable toward our shortcomings, so will we also remember that you are human and can falter. We recognize that we bear a responsibility in your material welfare and spiritual development. We pledge ourselves to maintain the freedom of pulpit and of pew. We pledge to assist and work with you in our common growth of our religious lives. Members of UUFSD, are you willing to take up these obligations?

Members: We are. Therefore, we the members of UUFSD, do install you as minister of this congregation and offer you our encouragement and help in carrying out our shared ministry together.

Minister: With a deep sense of responsibility and with gratitude for your confidence, I take up my duties. May our shared ministry together promote justice, righteousness, and love among ourselves and with all the world.

Closing Hymn #1008 When Our Heart Is in a Holy Place

Words and Music by Joyce Poley

*When our heart is in a holy place,
When our heart is in a holy place,
We are blessed with love and amazing grace,
When our heart is in a holy place.*

*When we trust the wisdom in each of us
Every color every creed and kind,
And we see our faces in each other's eyes,
Then our heart is in a holy place.*

*When we tell our story from deep inside,
And we listen with a loving mind,
And we hear our voices in each other's words,
Then our heart is in a holy place.*

*When we share the silence of sacred space,
And the God of our Heart stirs within,
And we feel the power of each other's faith,
Then our heart is in a holy place.*

Extinguishing the Chalice and Land Acknowledgement Candle

Patricia Cofre-Stone

“We extinguish this flame
But take it's light into our lives:
to be the presence of love in the midst of fear,
the voice of hope in the face of despair,
and the hands of justice
restoring a world worthy of our children.”

Benediction

The Rev. Jo Green

Postlude “Return to the Heart” by David Lanz *Katie Klaerich*

Marshall

The Rev. Dr. Everett Howe

Immediately following Rev. Jo's Installation, please join in the Core Area for a reception and time of Fellowship.



Program Participants (in order of appearance)

Katie Klaerich, Accompanist, UUFSD, Katie is a classically-trained pianist from San Diego, California. She graduated with a degree in Piano Performance from University of Colorado at Boulder in 2015. Katie has collaborated with many different choirs, instrumentalists, and vocalists both here and in Colorado. Katie also teaches private piano lessons.

Marshall Voit, Music Director, UUFSD, Marshall Voit is a lifelong San Diegan and musician who began serving as UUFSD's music director in 2020. Interwoven with academic training at UCLA and SDSU, Marshall's career as a worship music leader has taken him to the pulpits of dozens of Reform Jewish communities around the globe, and UU congregations throughout North America. When he's not leading music, Marshall is an avid athlete (softball and disc golf) and RV road tripper; he lives in Alpine with his 12-year-old dog Jackie.

Liora Kian-Gutierrez, UUFSD, President, Board of Directors, Liora Kian-Gutierrez is President of the Board of Directors at the Unitarian Universalist Fellowship of San Dieguito in Solana Beach. She has been a member of the Fellowship for 24 years. She and Lou, her husband of 43 years, have an adult son, Armand who is married. Armand attended Religious Education at UUFSD. He and his wife plan to raise their future children as Unitarian Universalists.

Patricia Cofre-Stone, Worship Associate, Patricia Cofré-Stone an immigrant from the Chilean Patagonia. She attended UCON, George Mason University, and San Diego State University and has a degree in Economics and Marketing. Patricia joined UUFSD more than 10 years ago, urged by her 5 year old son Derek. At the fellowship she has participated in the membership committee, worship associate role, running two highly successful fundraising auctions, and in the religious education programs. The first 'church' she ever joined and a place where she continues her spiritual growth - her home.

Alison A.L. G. McLeod, UUFSD, Director of Religious Education, Alison Aguilar Lopez Guteirrez McLeod has been the Director of Religious Education at UUFSD for the past 14 years. She has served UU'ism in many capacities, as PSWD LREDA Vice President, as a LREDA Good Officer, Co-chair of the Commission on Social Witness and was just appointed to the Ministerial Fellowship Committee. Alison is an unashamedly outspoken Chicana who walks through borderlands daily. She considers herself to be an expert hugger, clumsy crafter, and art appreciator. As a born and raised Unitarian Universalist, Alison is excited for UUFSD as they take this next step with Rev. Jo Green

The Rev. Sarah Gibb Millspaugh, Congregational Life Staff, Pacific Western Region – UUA, Rev. Sarah Gibb Millspaugh is UUFSD's primary contact on the UUA Pacific Western Regional staff. A life-long UU and a minister since 2005, Sarah brings a passion for all-ages spiritual growth and life-giving systemic transformation. She lives in San Diego with her husband John (also a UU minister), their 4th grader, and their faithful dog.

The Rev. Dr. Everett Howe, Minister at Summit Unitarian Universalist Fellowship, Santee, CA (since July 2020). He was ordained earlier that year by the First UU Church of San Diego, where he and his wife Isabella Furth have been members since 2006. He continues to devote part of his time to his first career as a research mathematician.

The Rev. Tania Marquez, Chaplain, Rev. Tania Y Márquez is an ordained UU community minister, chaplain resident, and spiritual director. She is currently completing a chaplaincy residency at Sharp Memorial Hospital and serving as a member of the educational team for the project "Trauma-responsive congregations" led by Boston University's School of Theology.

The Rev. Dr. Beth Johnson, Senior Minister Palomar Unitarian Universalist Fellowship, Vista, CA, Rev Dr Beth Johnson has served Palomar UU Fellowship in Vista since 2004. In addition to her congregational ministry, she serves on the board of UURISE, the San Diego Immigrant Rights Consortium, convenes the San Diego Interfaith Coalition for Earth Justice, and is a co-chair for the CA Poor People's Campaign.

The Rev. Jo Elizabeth Green, Minister, UU Fellowship of San Dieguito, Rev Jo Green was a previous Interim Minister and UUFSD is her first settled ministry. She is a graduate of the Starr King School for the Ministry with a Master of Divinity degree and holds a BA and MS in Art and Counseling respectively from Southern Ill University. In her previous life she held roles as a chaplain, art teacher, counselor and actor/singer. She is also a Vocational Advisor for the Ministerial Formation Network and a penpal for the prison ministry of the Church for the Larger Fellowship. This is Rev. Jo's 5th congregation serving as a UU minister.

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*We do not find the meaning of life by ourselves alone -
we find it with another.*

- Thomas Merton