

**FIRST
PARISH
CHURCH OF
STOW &
ACTON**
*Unitarian
Universalist*

Sunday, April 11,
2021
10:00 AM

Gathering

Prelude

Prelude in C Major, BWV 553 J.S. Bach

Sanghee Kim, organ

Welcome & Announcements

Call to Worship

The Rev. Dr. Cynthia L. Landrum

Chalice Lighting

Hymn #1003

Where Do We Come From

Mike Pfitzer, voice

Where do we come from? What are we? Where are we going?

Where do we come from?

Mystery. Mystery. Life is a riddle and a mystery.

Where do we come from? Where are we going?

Sharing

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.

Affirmation

Mike Pfitzer, Voice

From all that dwell below the skies
let words of love and peace arise.
Let joyful songs of praise be sung,
through every land, by every tongue.

Message for All Ages

Michelle Coté,

Director of Religious Education

Joys and Sorrows

Ingrid Holcomb, Lay Minister

Prayer or Meditation

Exploring

Sharing Our Gifts

“At Once the Earth Opens” from *The Creation* J.F. Haydn

University of North Texas Symphony & Symphonic

Orchestra

This month we share our weekly offering with Southeast

India Project.

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Sermon

Creation

The Rev. Dr. Cynthia L. Landrum

Returning

Hymn #193

Our Faith Is But a Single Gem

1. Our faith is but a single gem upon a rosary of beads; the thread of truth which runs through them supports our varied human needs.
2. Confucian wisdom, Christian care, the Buddhist way of self-control,

the Muslim's daily call to prayer are proven pathways to the goal.

3. From many lips, in every age, the truth eternal is proclaimed
by Western saint, and Eastern sage, and all the good,
however named.

4. Beside the noblest of our race our lives as yet cannot
compare:
may we at length their truth embrace and in their
sacred mission share.

Benediction

Sung Benediction

Peace be with you 'til we meet again!
As life lays its task before you,
keep love's banner floating o'er you.
Peace be with you 'till we meet again.

Postlude

Horsemen of the Plains

V.R. Roubos

Sanghee Kim, piano



Those who are on Zoom may remain
for a virtual “coffee hour” following the postlude.
If you’re in the “drive-in church”, honk and wave to each
other!

Thank you to our helpers today: Kim & Karen Kinnear
and all those who helped with this service,
and to our staff, board, and other leaders.



*First Parish is a
Unitarian Universalist
Association
Welcoming
Congregation. We
warmly welcome gay,
lesbian, bisexual, and
transgender people
into our community.*

The Rev. Dr. Cynthia L. Landrum,
Minister

Michelle Cote, Director of
Religious Education

Deedee Perkins, Parish
Administrator

Dr. Mike Pfitzer, Director of Music

Sanghee Kim, Organist/Pianist

Joleen Trotta, Welcoming &
Membership Coordinator

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