

Flower Communion

June 13, 2021

Gathering

Gathering of Flowers

Please place flowers in the baskets or
vases
at the front as you arrive.

Prelude *Duo des Fleurs* ("The Flower
Duet") L. Delibes

from *Lakme* Caitlin Felsman &
Kathryn McKellar, voice
Sanghee Kim, piano

Welcome & Announcements

Johanna Pyle, Board Clerk Elect

Introit *Give Me Birds at the Dawning* B. Binstock
FPC Driveway Choir

Call to Worship The Rev. Dr. Cynthia L. Landrum

Chalice Lighting

Hymn #65 *The Sweet June Days*

1. The sweet June days are come
again;
once more the glad earth yields
its golden wealth of rip'ning grain,
and breath of clover fields,
and deep'ning shade of summer
woods,
and glow of summer air,
and winging thoughts and happy
moods
of love and joy and prayer.
2. The sweet June days are come
again;
the birds are on the wing;
bright anthems, in their merry
strain,
unconsciously they sing.
Oh, how our cup o'erbrims with
good
these happy summer days;
for all the joys of field and wood
we lift our song of praise.

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

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.

Consecration of the Flowers N. Čapek

Sharing

Message for All Ages

Director of Religious Education

Prayer or Meditation

Hymn #15

The Lone Wild Bird

1. The lone, wild bird in lofty flight is still with thee, nor leaves thy

sight.

And I am thine! I rest in thee.

Great spirit come and rest in me.

2. The ends of earth are in thy hand, the sea's dark deep and far-off land.

And I am thine! I rest in thee.

Great spirit come and rest in me.

Exploring

Recognition of Michael Pfitzer Katy Weeks,
& The Rev. Dr. Cynthia L. Landrum

Reading Flower Festival Litany H. Kafka, abridged

Sharing Our Gifts *Julian of Norwich* E. Stauff

FPC Driveway Choir

Sanghee Kim, Piano

This month we share our weekly offering with OUT MetroWest.

Michelle Cote,

Checks may be made to "First Parish Church" and sent to:

Pledges: attn: Pledge Secretary, PO Box 215, Stow MA 01775

Donations: attn: Treasurer, 353 Great
Rd, Stow MA 01775

or donate online at <https://fpc-stow-acton.org/donate>

or by text to (978) 310-3309.

Reflections *Flowering Community*

The Rev. Dr. Cynthia L. Landrum

Flower Communion Prayer N. Čapek

Returning

Hymn #64 *Oh, Give Us Pleasure in the
Flowers Today*

1. Oh, give us pleasure in the flowers
today,
and give us not to think so far away
as the uncertain harvest; keep us
here
all simply in the springing of the
year.
2. Oh, give us pleasure in the orchard
white
like nothing else by day, like ghosts

by night;
and make us happy in the happy
bees,
the swarm dilating round the perfect
trees.

3. For this is love and nothing else is
love,
the which it is reserved for God
above
to sanctify to what far ends he will,
but which it only needs that we
fulfill.

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

Jen Dal

FPC Driveway Choir
Sanghee Kim, piano

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Please come forward and take a flower
during the postlude.

Flowers will also be brought to those
who wish to remain seated.

N. Čapek, arr. S. Cartreine

**FIRST PARISH CHURCH
OF STOW & ACTON**

Unitarian Universalist



Sunday, June 13, 2021

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

Janet Beatrice, External Publicity

Katy Weeks, President
Sharon Brownfield, Vice President
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Helen Ham, Clerk

*First Parish is a Unitarian Universalist
Association Welcoming Congregation.*

*We warmly welcome gay, lesbian,
bisexual, and
transgender people into our community.*

Radios for listening to this service are available from the tables in front of the building to help everyone be a part of worship in the fullest way possible.

Large print orders of service are available on the table in the front and also Summer Services information.

On the web at fpc-stow-acton.org and on Facebook.