

FIRST PARISH CHURCH OF STOW & ACTON

Unitarian Universalist

Sunday, August 16, 2020 10 AM

"Loss of Passion"

Presented by Janet Beatrice

Gathering

Prelude

Like a Stone

Cahalen Morrison & Eli West

performed by Quinci Sprague & Michael Merrill

Welcome & Announcements

Neil Saunders, Worship Committee

Call to Worship

Janet Beatrice

Chalice Lighting

Embrace the Night by Jennifer Gracen

Neil Saunders

Sharing

Covenant and Affirmation

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.

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.

Joys and Sorrows

Ingrid Holcomb, Lay Minister

Exploring

Sharing Our Gifts

For Real

Bob Franke

performed by Bob Franke

This month we share our weekly offering with Bridges to Malawi, Degede Village Project, and
Sheroes Hangout

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

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

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

We also invite you to donate by text to (978) 310-3309;
or donate online at <https://fpc-stow-acton.org/donate>

Reading

Tao Te Ching Verse 20 by Lau Tzu (translated by Stephen Mitchell) Janet Beatrice

Sermon

Loss of Passion

Janet Beatrice

Returning

Musical Interlude

For the Sake of My Heart

Della Mae

performed by Quinci Sprague & Michael Merrill

Closing Words *Excerpt from Kitchen Table Wisdom by Rachel Naomi Remen* Janet Beatrice

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

A Healing in This Night

Bob Franke

performed by Janet Beatrice

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 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
Janet Beatrice, External Publicity

Katy Weeks, President
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