Hearing-assistance headsets and large-print hymnals and Orders of Service are available at the back of the sanctuary.

INGATHERING A Maypole-inspired collection of old English folktunes: *Now is the Month of Maying*, by Thomas Morley, realized by Richard Walters; *The Cuckoo; Geordie*; and *O Waly Waly*, collected and arranged by Cecil Sharp; *Simple Gifts*, traditional Shaker tune, arr. by Lani Smith, flute arranged by Lucinda Ellert

WELCOME

Linda Scerbinski, PUUC Governing Board

DRUMMING Miriam Dunn

ALTAR PROCESSIONAL

CHALICE LIGHTING Words from Thanksgiving Address (adapted) This translation of the Mowhawk version of the Haudenosaunee Thanksgiving Address was developed, published in 1993, and provided courtesy of the Six Nations Indian Museum and the Tracking Project.

CASTING THE CIRCLE

SONG The Earth, the Air, the Fire, the Water, by Libana

CALLING THE QUARTERS

CALL TO WORSHIP by Chloe Rain

CHANT Earth My Body Water My Blood, traditional

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH words by James Vila Blake Love is the spirit of this congregation, and service is its call.

This is our great covenant: To dwell together in peace,

To seek the truth in love

And to help one another.

CANDLE FOR SOCIAL JUSTICE words by Tania Yadira Marquez (adapted)

INTRODUCING BELTANE Part 1

Barbara Harlow

*HYMN #1064 *Blue Boat Home*, words by Peter Mayer. Music, Roland Hugh Prichard, adapted by Peter Mayer

BELTANE Part 2 words by Ursula K. LeGuin

Miriam Dunn

JOYS AND CONCERNS

MOMENT OF SILENCE

OFFERING

OFFERTORY Nature's Gallery by Miriam Dunn

INTRODUCING THE MAYPOLE

Stewart Harris and Julia Lennon

SONG *Humble Song* by the Ode'min Kwe Singers and released on their album, New Moon Medicine. Anishinaabemowin translation by Helen Roy.

TRANSITION TO THE MAYPOLE Strawberry Fields Forever, She's Leaving Home, In My Life, Lennon and McCartney

MAYPOLE DANCE The Butterfly, traditional, arr. by Jessica Walsh

EXTINGUISHING THE CHALICE words from Thanksgiving Address

BENEDICTION "Beltane Blessing" from *Seasons of the Witch: Celebrating the 8 Wiccan Festivals of the Year* by Gail Duff

OPEN THE CIRCLE May the Circle be Open

*Please rise in body or in spirit

We are grateful to all of the volunteers who made this service possible: our welcoming board member, Linda Scerbinski; guest musicians, Eric Blackmer, David & Joy Flemming; Stewart Harris for the creation of the Maypole and his delicious pound cake. Gratitude to the Tech Team for making Zoom and the TV screen possible. Bless you all!

The flowers this morning are given by Linda and Greg Scerbinski in memory of their parents: Florence Berenguer, Joseph Levoli and Frances and Stanley Scerbinski.



We nurture a loving, inclusive, spiritual community embracing all ages;

We witness for our liberal Unitarian Universalist faith with compassion and generosity;

We serve and inspire the local and global community through social action and the arts.

As a certified Welcoming Congregation, we offer a religious home for people of all gender identities and sexual orientations.

Calendar

Tues May 2 6:00 pm Meditation Group ~ Parish Hall Sun May 7 10:15 am Sunday Service ~ Sanctuary

Minister	Rev. Lane Fisher
Music Director	Lucinda Ellert
Church Office Administrator	Vanessa Amsbury-Bonilla
Custodian	Paul Barnes

Rest rooms are located beside the elevator and downstairs.



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Peterborough Unitarian Universalist Congregation



April 30, 2023

Beltane

Worship Leaders: Miriam Dunn, Barbara Harlow, Stewart Harris,
Julia Lennon
Music Director: Lucinda Ellert
Guest Musicians: Maple Tree-O:
Eric Blackmer, David Flemming & Joy Flemming

NATURE'S GALLERY

By Miriam Dunn 01-14-21

Into the woods through the marshy meadow
The cattails waving in the breeze
Joy as I'm about to enter
This magic forest like a dream

In gratitude I wander there among the trees
The rocks, the moss, the mushrooms and
the singing of the stream
Bathing in the forest air
In that moment not a care
With so much beauty everywhere

BRIDGE

I see with my eyes and I look with my heart Everything's a work of art to me Every color, form, design, textures so fine Here in nature's gallery

The exhibit changes with the season
The artist brilliance bar to none
This is a miracle in motion
As the stream flows to the pond shining in the sun.

BRIDGE
REPEAT VERSE 2
BRIDGE.
END
I see with my eyes, I look with my heart.

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THE EARTH, THE AIR, THE FIRE, THE WATER Song by Libana

The Earth, the air, the fire, the water Return return return return

Repeat

HUMBLE SONG

Sung by the Ode'min Kwe Singers and released on their album, New Moon Medicine. Anishinaabemowin translation by Helen Roy.

I am humbled by the beauty of the ____(earth)(sun) (flowers)(birds) (earth)

I'm going to bend down low
I am humbled by the beauty of the ____
I want to know what (she) (they) know(s)
We can lift each other up higher and higher 2x's