

BELOVED COMMUNITY AS SPIRITUAL PRACTICE

Rev. John Morehouse
February 21, 2021 10 AM

WELCOME AND OPENING WORDS

Joanne Glasser Orenstein, Worship Associate

CHALICE LIGHTING

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.

HYMN #360 "Here We Have Gathered"

1. Here we have gathered, gathered side by side; circle of kinship, come and step inside!
May all who seek here find a kindly word; may all who speak here feel they have been heard.
Sing now together this, our hearts' own song.
2. Here we have gathered, called to celebrate days of our lifetime, matters small and great:
We of all ages, women, children, men, infants and sages, sharing what we can.
Sing now together this, our hearts' own song.
3. Life has its battles, sorrows, and regret: but in the shadows, let us not forget:
We who now gather know each other's pain; kindness can heal us: as we give we gain.
Sing now in friendship this, our hearts' own song.

STORY FOR ALL

Nate Pawelek

CANDLELIGHTING

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PRAYER AND MEDITATION

Joanne Glasser Orenstein

MUSIC "The Common Good"

Sopranos/Altos of O&AS

SERMON "Beloved Community as Spiritual Practice"

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David Vita

DEDICATION OF THE OFFERING

Let us be grateful when we are able to give,
For many do not have that privilege.
Let us be grateful for all those who share their gifts,
For we are enriched by their giving.
And let us be grateful even for our needs,
So that we may learn from the generosity of others.

CLOSING WORDS

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POSTLUDE "Won't You Be My Neighbor?" (Rogers)

Gian Morresi