

Memoir Writing as Spiritual Practice
Unitarian Universalist Congregation of Marin

August 22nd, 2021

*"The holy is nothing but the ordinary
held up to the light and profoundly seen."*

- anon -

Opening Gong	Marge Hollinger
Entry Hymn/Humn	<u><i>Spirit of Life</i></u> Milton Wong, Pianist
Welcome	Craig Cohen
Memoir Theme	Ann Carden
Prelude	Milton Wong and Christine Kraemer
Chalice Lighting	Reading Ginnie Job Lighting Kat Braeman
Hymn/Humn	<u><i>We Are ...</i></u> Milton Wong, Pianist
Story for All Ages	Nani Ranken
Time for Centering	Ann Carden
Candle lighting	Sondra Schwartz
Hymn/Humn	<u><i>For All That is Our Life</i></u> Milton Wong, Pianist
Homily Readers	Valerie Stilson, Jerry Job, Sande Kiriluk Linda Klein, Joyce Rhodes, June Fesler
Offering	Carole Rosvold
Benediction	Ann Carden
Closing Humn/Hymn	<u><i>Circle Round for Freedom</i></u> Milton Wong, Pianist

Spirit of Life

Spirit of Life, come unto me
Sing in my heart all the stirrings of compassion.
Blow in the wind, rise in the sea.
Move in the hand giving life the shape of justice.
Roots hold me close, wings set me free.
Spirit of Life, come to me, come to me.

We Are ...

For each child that's born
A morning star rises and sings to the universe
Who we are.

(repeat)

We are our grandmother's prayers, and we are our
grandfather's dreamings,
We are the breath of our ancestors. We are the spirit of God.

We are mothers of courage and fathers of time.
We are daughters of dust and the sons of great visions.

We're sisters of mercy and brothers of love.
We are lovers of life and the builders of nations.

We're seekers of truth and keepers of faith.
We are makers of peace and the wisdom of ages.

(repeat)

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grandfather's dreamings,
We are the breath of our ancestors. We are the spirit of God.

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A morning star rises and sings to the universe
Who we are.

For All That Is Our Life

For all that is our life we sing our thanks and praise.
For all life is a gift which we are called to use
To build the common good and make our own days glad.

For needs which others serve, for services we give,
For work and its rewards, for hours of rest and love,
We come with praise and thanks for all that is our life.

For sorrow we must bear, for failures, pain, and loss,
For each new thing we learn, for fearful hours that pass,
We come with praise and thanks for all that is our life

For all that is our life we sing our thanks and praise.
For all life is a gift which we are called to use
To build the common good and make our own days glad.

Circle 'Round

Circle 'round for freedom,
Circle 'round for peace.
For all of us in prison,
Circle for release.

Circle for the planet,
Circle for each soul.
For the children of our children,
Keep the circle whole.



Our Mission & Vision

*To inspire joy and justice
in an imperfect world, we:*

- Share life's journey,*
- Celebrate many paths, and*
- Act to make a difference.*