

Ashby First Parish Church Unitarian Universalist

October 18, 2009

Candle Lighting & Silent Meditation

~ Gathering the Community ~

Welcome and Announcements

Prelude

Call to Worship by Mohandas K. Gandhi (adapted)

Chalice Lighting by the Rev. Jacob Trapp

• Singing “The Morning, Noiseless”
#43 *Singing the Living Tradition* (gray)

• Congregational Affirmation

by Clark Greene ◊

We gather to build community, because we know that people
need to give and receive love.

We gather to worship, because we hunger for the sacred.

We gather to dedicate ourselves to service, because service is
the active expression of our beliefs and talents.

We gather to celebrate the power and wonder of Mystery.

• Singing “Doxology”
From all that dwell below the skies,
Let songs of hope and faith arise.
Let peace, good will on earth be sung.
Through every land by every tongue.

~ Making Our Offerings ~

Offering our Joys and Concerns

Prayer & Silent Meditation

words by the Rev. Rudolph Nemser

Story for All Ages “A Story About Dying that
Should Not Make You Sad”
from *Many Winters: Prose and Poetry of the
Pueblos* by Nancy Wood

Singing the Children to Church School

“A Proverb” music by Pete Seeger ◊
The larger the island of knowledge,
the longer the shoreline of wonder.

Offertory

~ Sharing Words ~

Reading “What Good are Dead Leaves?”
from *Many Winters: Prose and Poetry of the
Pueblos* by Nancy Wood

• Singing “I Walk the Unfrequented Road”
#53 *Singing the Living Tradition* (gray)

Sermon “Autumn Reflections”

~ Sending the Community Forth ~

• Singing “Just as Long as I Have Breath”
#6 *Singing the Living Tradition* (gray)

• Benediction “Reaching Back from Here”
from *Many Winters: Prose and Poetry of the
Pueblos* by Nancy Wood

Postlude

The Rev. Dr. Elizabeth M. Strong, Minister
Stephan Arsenault, Musician

• Please rise if you are able.
◊ Unitarian Universalist.