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## WEEKLY E-LETTER, MARCH 21, 2024

### MARCH SERVICES AT ONE ISLAND FAMILY:

**24 Joy Taylor** - "Chalice Children"

**31 Rev. Bob Murphy** - EASTER, "The Story of Women and Early Christianity" and Flower Communion Service

We welcome our **UUA AFFILIATE MINISTERS** on a regular basis:

**Rev. Bob Murphy and Rev. Doug Slagle**

### MEDITATION FROM REV. DOUG SLAGLE'S SERVICE

*From Rev. Doug Slagle's service on March 17, here is his revised version of the 23<sup>rd</sup> Psalm, which he read for the meditation with Nancy 3.Hoffman softly playing on the OIF organ.*

"Love is my shepherd. I want for nothing.

She offers me green pastures in which to lie down. She leads me beside still waters. Love restores my soul while guiding me to goodness.

Even though I sometimes walk through a figurative valley of trouble, dismay, or even the possibility of death, I fear no evil. Love's presence is with me. Her assurance and steadiness are a comfort.

She blesses me as if a banquet was prepared just for me. She reassures me even in the presence of my enemies. Love pours out her affection as if it's a precious ointment. My cup of blessings overflows.

Surely her kindness will be with me all the days of my life, and I will dwell in the house that Love built...forever."

## WORDS TO "TIS A GIFT TO BE SIMPLE"

*Words to of the hymns we sang last week. 'Tis a Gift to be Simple - #204.*

*Words by Joseph Bracket, 18th century. Tune - Shaker Hymn*

'Tis a gift to be simple, 'tis a gift to be free,  
'tis a gift to come down where we ought to be,  
and when we find ourselves in the place just right,  
'twill be in the valley of love and delight.

When true simplicity is gained,  
to bow and to bend we shan't be ashamed.

To turn, turn will be our delight,  
'til by turning, turning we come 'round right.

'Tis a gift to be gentle, 'tis a gift to be fair,  
'tis a gift to wake and breathe the morning air,  
to walk everyday in the path that we choose,  
'tis a gift we pray we never, never lose.

When true simplicity is gained,  
to bow and to bend we shan't be ashamed.

To turn, turn will be our delight,  
'til by turning, turning we come 'round right.

'Tis a gift to be knowing, 'tis a gift to be kind,  
'tis a gift to wait and hear another's sigh.

And when we use this gift we may come to believe  
'tis better to give than it is to receive.

When true simplicity is gained,  
to bow and to bend we shan't be ashamed.

To turn, turn will be our delight,  
'til by turning, turning we come 'round right.

## WELCOMING NEW MEMBERS

During the service on March 3rd, Barb Goldworm had a quiz for the congregation to guess which of our newest members did some very interesting things. Here are the results of this quiz. We are so fortunate to have all of you as members of One Island Family, and we look forward to the return of those of you that have slipped away to your other homes. Be well until we meet again!

### Getting to know our newest members

- Sang in an acid rock band
- Soloed in an airplane on 16<sup>th</sup> birthday
- Fulbright Scholar
- On the 2015 USA underwater rugby team
- Search and Rescue Missions in Helicopters
- Arrested and detained by the KGB
- Worked on 2 anti-cancer drugs currently on the market
- Favorite travel adventure was a trip to Ireland

- Marsha
- Ron
- Jorge
- Alana
- Jacob
- Janet
- Godfrey
- Baires

## MUSIC NOTES

Please join the One Island Family Choir at 10:15 any Sunday. No experience necessary. Give me your email address, and I will send you the music ahead of time. Thanks to all who have been singing with us - even if you were nervous. The choir has been sounding great!

ALSO - I will resume playing at The Little Room Jazz Club on Sundays, beginning March 24th. Singing show tunes, standards, folk-rock favorites, requests and more in a relaxed atmosphere. 821 Duval Street from 5:30 - 7:30 p.m. Looking forward to making music with you!

Nancy 3. Hoffman, Music Director. email: [3nancy3@gmail.com](mailto:3nancy3@gmail.com).

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