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# America's Real Abundance



Unity Church–Unitarian  
Sunday, July 4, 2021  
10:00 a.m. • [Livestream](#)

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## ORDER OF WORSHIP

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*\*Please rise in body or in spirit.*

GATHERING MUSIC	Ahmed Anzaldúa, piano
WORDS OF WELCOME	Rev. Karen Hering
RINGING OF THE BELL	Barbara Hubbard
CALL TO WORSHIP	Lucy Moroukian
LIGHTING THE CHALICE	
*OPENING HYMN (159)	This Is My Song
*RESPONSIVE READING	From "We are Together in a Lush Place" by Michael Kleber-Diggs Nelson Moroukian
This is part of the vision <i>Every beautiful thing you imagine will be there with us too.</i>	
Our lush place is rich in dreams <i>Dreams form our plans and our future</i>	
Unison: <i>The main thing is this: we are together.</i>	
We are in a lush place celebrating and loving each other, taking care of each other, healing. <i>Our lush place is vast and verdant.</i>	
Unison: <i>We are together in a lush place celebrating and loving each other, taking care of each other, healing.</i>	
SILENCE	
EMBRACING MEDITATION	(Nelson)
PRAYER	(Nelson)
SUNG RESPONSE	Refrain from "Ella's Song" by Bernice Johnson Reagon (Ahmed)
STORY FOR ALL AGES	Rev. KP Hong
INTERLUDE	(Ahmed)

OFFERING	(Karen)
OFFERING MUSIC	"The Star-Spangled Banner Takes a Knee" by Abbie Betinis (Ahmed)
READINGS	Could we please give the police departments to the grandmothers? by Junauda Petrus-Nasah (Lucy) One Journey by John Trudell (Nelson)
SERMON	America's Real Abundance — Angela Wilcox
*CLOSING HYMN (169)	We Shall Overcome
*BENEDICTION	(Angela)
POSTLUDE	(Ahmed)

Protect Minnesota is committed to ending gun violence in Minnesota. Its outreach centers around community investment, education, and legislative lobbying. In its response to 583 gun suicides in 2021, Protect Minnesota is partnering with community centers, police, and health departments to identify ways to encourage people to check in on one another and give their guns to someone to hold for them until they are in a better state of mind. This collection will support community efforts to raise awareness of hand-gun suicides and create local networks to reduce their occurrence. Donate online at <https://bit.ly/sundayoffering>.

Angela Wilcox was originally pulled to Unity Church by her children and has been delighted to find that her own place in this community has grown and deepened as her children have moved out into the world. She lives in St. Paul and works on issues of equity and inclusion in educational communities.

Nelson and Lucy Moroukian grew up at Unity Church, active participants in religious education and Tower Club. They are college graduates who got an unexpected sixteen months of living back in their childhood bedrooms and reconnecting to the power, wisdom, and abundance of the Twin Cities community before they head back out into the world to create beauty and solve interesting problems.

As we begin to reopen the church during the month of July, we are inviting choir members to join us on Sunday morning to help lead the singing of our hymns. We are grateful for these singers lending their voices to our live-streamed services.