Musical Notes

The song "Devils and Dust" was written by Bruce Springsteen and recorded on his 13th album of the same name, which was released in 2005 and debuted as number one on the Billboard album chart. The song was probably written in 2003. The lyrics suggest the point of view of a soldier serving either in Afghanistan or Iraq. The song was nominated for three Grammy Awards: Song of the Year, Best Rock Song, and Best Solo Rock Vocal Performance. It won only the last of these.

The lyrics of *"Come, Come Whoever You Are"* (#188) were written by the Persian Sufi poet Jalal al-Din Rumi (1207-1273). The music is by Lynn Adair Ungar (1963-), a Unitarian Universalist minister and educator.

The lyrics of "For All That Is Our Life" (#128) were written by the Australian-turned-British Unitarian minister Bruce Findlow (1922-1994). After serving two congregations in England, Findlow was appointed Principal of Manchester College, Oxford. The only college at Oxford University with a Unitarian tradition, Manchester College exclusively educates students 21 and older. The music by Patrick L. Rickey, a church organist, was composed especially for the hymnal, "Singing the Living Tradition".

"I'm On My Way" (#116) is a traditional African American spiritual, possibly from the 18th Century. But some musicologists believe that it originated in the Underground Railroad. It has been recorded by artists as varied as The Carter Family and Odetta.



"The Religious Significance of the Zombie Apocalypse"



Led by Darrel Moellendorf

January 17th, 2016



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Prelude

"Devils and Dust" (composed by Bruce Springsteen, performed by Teresa & Michael Zink)

Welcome

Chalice Lighting

"Darkness cannot drive out darkness, only light can do that. Hate cannot drive out hate, only love can do that."

—Martin Luther King, Jr.



Hymn No.1

"Come, Come, Whoever You Are" (#188, Singing the Living Tradition)

First Reading

In unison:

May love be the spirit of this fellowship.

May the quest for truth be its sacrament,

And service be its prayer.

To live together in peace,

To seek knowledge in freedom,

And to help one another in fellowship:

This is our aspiration.

Sharing of Joys and Concerns

We invite you to light a candle at this time as an expression of a joy or concern that you'd like to share.

Story for All Ages

"Babushka and the Three Kings" (by Ruth Robbins)

In unison:

Go now in peace, go now in peace. May the spirit of love surround you, everywhere, everywhere you may go.

Offertory

Second Reading

"The prayer of our souls is a petition for persistence; not for the one good deed, or single thought, but deed on deed, and thought on thought, until day calling unto day shall make a life worth living."

-W.E.B. Du Bois

Meditation

"Let us open our minds and hearts to the place of quiet, to the silent prayer for the healing of pain, and the soft, gentle coming of love." (#480, Singing the Living Tradition)



Hymn No.2

"For All That is Our Life" (#128, Singing the Living Tradition)

Homily

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Hymn No.3

"I'm On My Way" (#116, Singing the Living Tradition)

Benediction

"Grant us the ability to find joy and strength not in the strident call to arms, but in stretching out our arms to grasp our fellow creatures in the striving for justice and truth."

(Jewish Prayer)

Extinguishing the Chalice

In unison:

We extinguish this flame but not the light of truth, the warmth of community, or the fire of commitment. These we carry in our hearts until we are together again.

Announcements and Upcoming Events

February 7th, 14:00 — Discussion Group, Hainerberg Chapel February 21st — Sunday Service, Hainerberg Chapel

Coffee Hour & Discussion of the Homily