

*This month's theme is  
EQUITY*

*First Parish in Malden,  
Universalist*

**Mission Statement** | Worship is  
what we do when we gather  
together, take risks for justice,  
embrace difference, and give  
back. Worship is what we do.  
This is what it looks like.



***Malden Reads:  
The Boy  
Who Harnessed  
the Wind***

April 27, 2025



<b>Prelude</b>	Sonatina by Adam Katchaturian
<b>Hymn</b>	#188 Come, Come, Whoever You Are
<b>Opening Words</b>	Therese Perkins
<b>Lighting of the Chalice</b>	<p>What if when I light the chalice, you hear an invitation to welcome gratitude for the earth?</p> <p>This week, as I got ready to light the chalice, my family talked about blessings from this planet. Here is my list: [list 3-7 things]</p> <p>And now, with this flame of hope shedding light in your heart: what is your list?</p> <p>By Karen G. Johnston</p>
<b>Greeting</b>	We invite you to greet your neighbor. Take time to go over to someone you haven't met.
<b>Hymn</b>	#303 We Are the Earth Upright
<b>Land Acknowledgement</b>	FPM is on the native land of the Massachuset, Naumkeag, Pawtucket, and Pennacook people.
<b>Our Covenant</b>	<i>We, the members of the First Parish in Malden, covenant in friendship to create together a community of respect, equality, openness, trust, and compassion. We pledge ourselves to hospitality, understanding, spiritual growth, sharing, and participation.</i>
<b>Time for All Ages</b>	"The Boy Who Harnessed the Wind" by William Kamkwamba and Bryan Mealer, Illustrated by Zunon

<b>Children's Recessional</b>	Be Open by Debbie Nargi-Brown
<b>Reading</b>	Excerpt from "The Boy Who Harnessed the Wind" by William Kamkwamba and Bryan Mealer
<b>Hymn</b>	Blessed Motion by Annie Zylstra
<b>Ritual For Earth Day</b>	Rev. Otto Concannon
<b>Offering and Thanksgiving</b>	Malden Reads
<b>Offertory Music</b>	Pastorale Scene by Vladimir Rebikov #1010 We Give Thanks
<b>Joys, Concerns, and Milestones</b>	
<b>Pastoral Prayer</b>	Rev. Otto Concannon
<b>Sounding of the Bell and Time of Silence</b>	
<b>Hymn</b>	#318 We Would Be One
<b>Extinguishing the Chalice</b>	<i>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 meet again.</i>
<b>Our Story</b>	Jim Tozza
<b>Benediction</b>	Rev. Otto Concannon
<b>Postlude</b>	Fugue by Henry Purcell

*Join us for coffee hour in Durgin Hall after the service.*



**For all announcements, see the newsletter for more details!**  
To share an announcement, please email it to [admin@fpmalden.org](mailto:admin@fpmalden.org).

**Seeking volunteers and paid staff in RE!** We have volunteer opportunities for next church year & during CUUSP Week in August. We are also hiring paid staff for both RE next year and CUUSP Week.

Are you **interested in becoming a member** of First Parish? Join Rev. Otto online on May 1st to learn what it means to be a member of First Parish. Questions? Email Rev. Otto.

**Rev. Otto is holding office hours** again from 4-6p on April 28. Meet Rev. Otto and others for coffee and conversation (on the minister) at Tous Les Jours. All are welcome.

Mark your calendar for the **annual meeting** on Sunday, May 4th. This is your chance to exercise our democratic process! We'll be voting on the budget and new board members.

**Beautiful Lotus in a Sea of Fire Meditation Group:** Join Rev. Ralph's meditation group on Wednesdays from 7-8:30 in the library or on Zoom.

Want to **follow along** with the screenshare or captions on your phone? Join the Zoom meeting: Meeting ID: 816 7500 7263; Passcode: 016113

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