



West Fork Unitarian  
Universalists

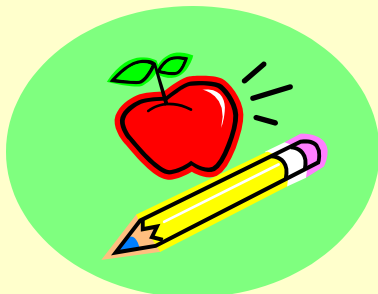
Service for  
September 2, 2012

**"Faith is a knowledge within the heart, beyond the reach of proof."  
- Kahlil Gibran**

## Chalice Lighting

God is the Knowledge Principle. May knowledge remove ignorance and may we realize that knowledge is a lasting inner wealth by which all outer achievements can be accomplished. By lighting the chalice may we bow down to knowledge as the greatest of all forms of wealth.

Knowledge backs our actions, whether good or bad. We therefore light this chalice as a witness to our thoughts



and actions. The flame of the chalice burns upwards; similarly, we should acquire such knowledge as to take us towards higher ideals. When lit by spiritual knowledge, the negative tendencies in a human being get slowly exhausted, and the ego too finally perishes. Knowledge does not lessen when shared; on the contrary, it benefits both the giver and the receiver.

—Central Chinmaya Mission Trust submitted  
by the Indian Council of Unitarian Churches

## Principles

- 1) **Respect All People**
- 2) **Offer kind and fair treatment to all**
- 3) **Yearn to Accept and Learn About Ourselves and Others**
- 4) **Grow by Exploring What is True and Right**
- 5) **Believe in our Ideas and Act on Them**
- 6) **Insist on Freedom, Justice, and Peace for all People**
- 7) **Value our home, Earth, that we share with all living beings**

## Why church is like school?

We come to church to learn about our faith.

We come to church to learn about others.

We come to church to grow as a community.

We come to church to grow as people.

**The faith that stands on authority is not faith. - Ralph Waldo Emerson**

## Kumbaya

Kum bay ya, my Lord, kum bay ya;  
Kum bay ya, my Lord, kum bay ya;  
Kum bay ya, my Lord, kum bay ya,  
O Lord, kum bay ya.

Someone's laughing, my Lord, kum bay ya;  
Someone's laughing, my Lord, kum bay ya;  
Someone's laughing, my Lord, kum bay ya,  
O Lord, kum bay ya.

Someone's crying, my Lord, kum bay ya;  
Someone's crying, my Lord, kum bay ya;  
Someone's crying, my Lord, kum bay ya,  
O Lord, kum bay ya.

Someone's praying, Lord, kum bay ya;  
Someone's praying, Lord, kum bay ya;  
Someone's praying, Lord, kum bay ya,  
O Lord, kum bay ya.

Someone's singing, my Lord, kum bay ya;  
Someone's singing, my Lord, kum bay ya;  
Someone's singing, my Lord, kum bay ya,  
O Lord, kum bay ya.



## Supply Bag!

1. Name Plate
2. Pencil
3. Eraser
4. Rubber Bands
5. Glue
6. Bubbles
7. Pencil Top Stampers
8. Snack
9. Bookmark
10. Notecards
11. Paper clips

## Meditation

## Creativity

from the book

## *Dancing in the Empty Spaces*

by David O. Rankin

## Final Hymn - Simple Gifts

Verse 1:

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

Refrain:

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

Verse 2:

'Tis the gift to be loved and that love to return,  
'Tis the gift to be taught and a richer gift to learn,  
And when we expect of others what we try to live  
each day,  
Then we'll all live together and we'll all learn to say,

Refrain:

Verse 3:

'Tis the gift to have friends and a true friend to be,  
'Tis the gift to think of others not to only think of  
"me",  
And when we hear what others really think and  
really feel,  
Then we'll all live together with a love that is real.

**Have a Blessed Week!!**