



October 19, 2025
“Compost Communion”

The First Parish Church in Billerica,
Unitarian Universalist
On the Common - Billerica, Massachusetts

Worship Leader:
Worship Assistant:

Reb. Yaakov Trek Reef
Liz Cardenas

GATHERING

MUSIC FOR GATHERING

“Kids Run Through the City”
Composer: Nobuo Uematsu

CALL TO WORSHIP

Words by Yaakov Trek Reef

CHALICE LIGHTING

#389 “Gathered Here”

All: *Love is the doctrine of this church.
The quest for truth is its sacrament,
And service is its prayer.
To dwell together in peace,
To seek knowledge in freedom,
To serve humanity in fellowship,
To the end that all souls shall grow into
harmony
With the Divine.
Thus do we covenant with each other and with
God.*

SHARING OUR GIFTS

#402 “From You I Receive”

From you I receive, to you I give,
together we share, and from this we live.

EXPLORING

STORY FOR OUR TIMES

“This Stuff’s For The Worms”

COCREATING THE STORY

EXPLORING SONG

“In the Dirt” by S. Carey

HOMILY

“Compost as a Spiritual Practice”

Reb Yaakov Trek Reef

GROUNDING

COMPOST COMMUNION

GROUNDING SONG

Low To the Ground

by Libby Roderick

JOYS & SORROWS

PASTORAL PRAYER

Reb Yaakov Trek Reef

RETURNING

ANNOUNCEMENTS

EXTINGUISHING THE CHALICE

words by Yaakov Trek Reef

One: Flame to ember, ember to heart:

Many: May we carry this fire forward into all we do.

RETURNING SONG

#163 For the Earth Forever Turning

BLESSING FOR GOING FORTH

Reb Yaakov Trek Reef

MUSIC FOR GOING FORTH

Liz Cardenas, Musician

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As Unitarian Universalists, we covenant, congregation-to-congregation and through our Association, to support and assist one another in our ministries. We draw from our heritages of freedom, reason, hope, and courage, building on the foundation of love. Love is the power that holds us together and is at the center of our shared values. We are accountable to one another for doing the work of living our shared values through the spiritual discipline of Love. Inseparable from one another, these shared values are: Interdependence, Equity, Transformation, Pluralism, Generosity, and Justice.