



November 16th 2025
“Golden Rules”

Worship Leader:	Stephanie Trudel
Musician:	Don Hodgkins
Worship Assistant:	Teresa English
Coffee Hour Host:	Denise O'Connor

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

PRELUDE

Peeters

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

OPENING WORDS: It Is Good To Be Together

CHALICE LIGHTING by Oberlin UU Fellowship

OPENING HYMN: Come, Come, Whoever You Are
STLT# 188

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

Love is the doctrine of this church. The quest for truth 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.

TIME FOR ALL AGES:

When You Have More Than Enough

SINGING OUT THE CHILDREN

*Go Now in Peace, Go Now in Peace,
Let the Spirit of Love Surround you,
Everywhere, Everywhere, You May Go*

CANDLES OF JOY AND CONCERN

RESPONSIVE READING: All Are Welcome Here

MUSICAL INTERLUDE: Air en Echo - delaLande

MEDITATION/PRAYER Ibrahim's Prayer

HYMN:

We Would Be One
STLT #318

SERMON:

The Golden Rules

MUSICAL INTERLUDE

Don Hodgkins

RESPONSIVE LITANY

May We Reach Out in Honesty and Love

OFFERTORY

DOXOLOGY*

STLT# 375

*As Saffron trees now capture fire
And memories our hopes inspire
We'll praise imaginations grace –
The human heart's best resting place. Amen.*

EXTINGUISHING THE CHALICE

Words by Elizabeth Selle Jones

*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.*

CLOSING HYMN:

We'll Build a Land
SLT# 121

(the hymn is sung facing the world we are about to enter)

BENEDICTION:

Go In Peace, Seeking Justice

POSTLUDE:

Praeludium und Fuge in F-Dur
-J.S. Bach

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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.