



March 15, 2026
“Revolutionary Women of Ireland”

Worship Leader: Stephanie Trudel, Lay Minister
Worship Assistant: Brita Learned
Worship Musician: Jodi Templer
Coffee Hour Host:

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

PRELUDE

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

OPENING WORDS

We Have Come Into This Room of Hope

CHALICE LIGHTING

Chalice Lighting for Challenging Times

OPENING HYMN:

We'll Build a Land

#121 in Singing The Living Tradition

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

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

TIME FOR ALL AGES

SINGING OUT THE CHILDREN

Go Now In Peace

#413 in Singing the Living Tradition

CANDLES OF JOY AND CONCERN

RESPONSIVE READING

We Answer the Call of Love

(see insert)

MUSICAL INTERLUDE

PRAYER

A Prayer for Rising to the Occasion

HYMN*

Wake Now My Senses
#298 in *Singing the Living Tradition*

SERMON

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REFLECTION Eternal God, Mother and Father, Spirit of Life

OFFERTORY

Little Shamrock
Bob and Deirdre Leger

DOXOLOGY:

In Greening Lands begins the song
Which deep in human hearts is strong.
In cheerful strains your voices raise
To fill the whole spring world with praise! 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

*The church has a tradition of facing outward during the Closing Hymn
as a sign of going forth to live our religion.*

CLOSING HYMN*

Lady of Knock
Bob and Deirdre Leger

BENEDICTION

Into the World Singing

POSTLUDE

**Please stand in body or spirit*

*Please join us downstairs in the Parish Hall for refreshments and
conversation immediately following the service.*

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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.