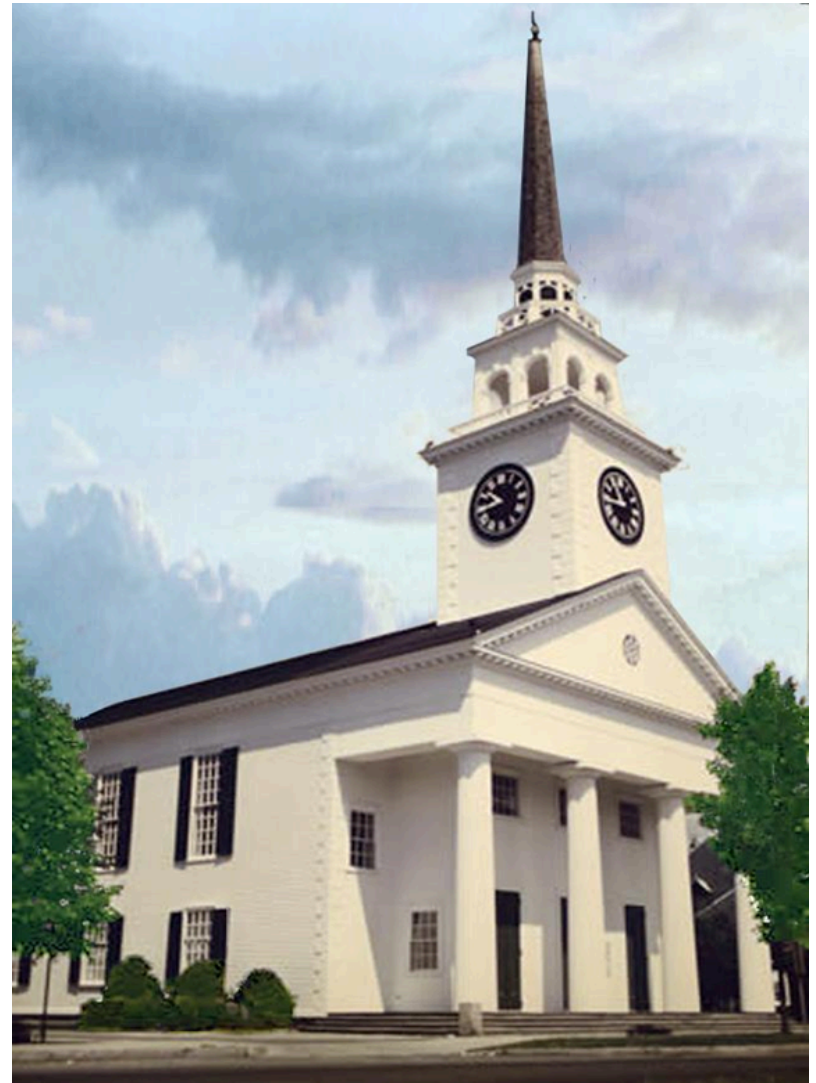**FIRST PARISH CHURCH**
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As Unitarian Universalists, we covenant, congregation-to-congregation and through our Association, to support and assist one another in our ministries. We draw from our heritages of freedom, reason, hope, and courage, building 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.

August 10, 2025

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

ORDER OF SERVICE
FIRST PARISH CHURCH BILLERICA
Worship Leader: Jim Learned

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

CHALICE LIGHTING

Music is a gift for which we are grateful.
We gather in community to celebrate the
glories and the mysteries of this great gift.

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 we covenant with each other
and with God.

Today's service will be a musical service,
which I hope will be both relevant and
enjoyable.

CANDLES OF JOY AND CONCERN

OPENING WORDS: Let the music soothe
the soul as medicine heals the body.

SERMON: Musical selections

OFFERTORY: Please be as generous as you
can, and not one penny more.

EXTINGUISHING THE CHALICE:

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.