



**April Theme:**  
*What does it mean to be  
 a People of Emergence?*

**A New World to Come**

Sunday, April 15, 2018, 11:00 a.m. – 12:15 p.m.

*“The religious community is essential, for alone our vision is too narrow to see all that must be seen. Together, our vision widens and strength is renewed.” — Rev. Dr. Mark Morrison-Reed*

**Music for Gathering** *Dianne Saichek, piano*

**\*Opening Hymn** #347 Gather the Spirit

**Welcome and Announcements**

**Opening Words** *Rodney Lemery, Ministerial Intern*

**Ring the Bell**

**Lighting the Chalice** *Mira Biswas and Julien Prylli*

**AFFIRMATION/AFIRMACION**

Love is the doctrine of this church,	<i>El amor es la doctrina de esta iglesia,</i>
The quest of truth is its sacrament,	<i>La búsqueda de la verdad es su sacramento,</i>
And service is its prayer.	<i>Y el servicio es su oración.</i>
To dwell together in peace	<i>Habitar juntos en paz</i>
To seek truth in freedom	<i>Buscar la verdad con libertad</i>
To serve humankind in fellowship	<i>Y servir a la humanidad juntos</i>
To the end that all souls may grow	<i>Con el fin de que todas las almas</i>
Into harmony with the divine,	<i>Puedan crecer en armonía con lo divino,</i>
This do we covenant with one another.	<i>Esto es lo que pactamos unos con otros.</i>

**Story for All Ages** “The Brave Little Parrot” by Rafe Martin

*\*Please rise in body or in spirit*

**Singing the Children and Youth to Their Classes**

*Go now in peace, go now in peace, may the Spirit of God surround you everywhere, everywhere you may go. Vayan en paz, vayan en paz, pueda el Dios rodearlos siempre, por doquier, por doquier, que vayan.*

**Offering Our Gifts** *Dianne Saichek, piano*

**Responsive Reading** *Joyce Miller*

In the quietness of this place, surrounded by the all-pervading, presence of the Holy, my heart whispers:

*Let now our hearts hear*

Keep fresh before me the moments of my High Resolve, that in good times or in tempests,

*We listen in the calm and the storm*

I may not forget that to which my life is committed

*What calls us into better being?*

Keep fresh before me the moments of my high resolve.

*Makes us bringers of Love*

-Adapted from Howard Thurman

**Understanding Our Past** *Rodney Lemery*

**Singing** #312 Here on the Paths of Every Day

**Hope for Our Future** *Joyce Miller*

**Singing** #1020 Woyaya

**Joys and Sorrows**

**\*Closing Music** #121 We’ll Build a Land

**\*Benediction**

*Please join us in Hattie Porter Hall after the service for Social Hour.  
 And please see the Announcements page for all who helped bring this service to life.*

