



**April's Theme:  
What does it mean to be a people of Emergence?**

**Giving Birth to New Selves**

**Sunday, April 22, 11:00 a.m. – 12:15 p.m.**

*We delight in the beauty of the butterfly, but rarely admit the changes  
it has gone through to achieve that beauty.*

*—attributed to Dr. Maya Angelou*

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

**Teaching Moment** *John Ector, Choir Director*

**\*Singing** #1000 “Morning Has Come”

**Welcome and Announcements** *Rev. Nancy Palmer Jones,  
Senior Minister*

**Ring the Bell**

**Opening Words** *Rev. Nancy Palmer Jones*

**Musical Meditation** “The Rose,” by Bette Midler  
*Amanda Sullivan, solo, with Guitars Aloud*

**Lighting the Chalice** *Lydia Tan*

**\*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>

*\*Please rise in body or in spirit.*

**Story for All Ages** “A Butterfly That Thought It Was Still a Caterpillar”  
*Mary Martin, Worship Associate, and Rodney Lemery, Ministerial Intern*

**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.*

**Prayer / Meditation** with words by the Rev. Elizabeth Nguyen  
*Rev. Nancy Palmer Jones*

**Reflection** “Choosing Emergence” *Mary Martin*

**Community Engagement:** “Our Own New Selves”  
*(Please see insert.)*

**\*Singing** #396 “I Know This Rose Will Open”

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

**Reflection** “A New Birth for Earth Day” *Rev. Nancy Palmer Jones*

**Anthem** “We Are the Earth,” by Jim Scott  
*Alegría Singers; John Ector, Choir Director; Christopher Pasillas, piano*

**Congregation’s lyrics, verse 7:**

*We are the earth, / diverse / and yet / united, //*  
*We will keep on until the wrongs are righted. //*  
*And we will not be bought, / We will not be deceived, /*  
*We are one, / we are strong, we are the Earth.*  
*We are one, / we are strong, we are the Earth.*  
**[And then the choir sings the last line!]**

**\*Benediction** *Rev. Nancy Palmer Jones*

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

