

THE OCEAN PARK TEMPLE ORDER OF WORSHIP



OCEAN PARK MAINE
143rd SEASON
1881-2023

CHAUTAUQUA BY-THE-SEA
July 9, 2023

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**THE TEMPLE**  
**ORDER OF WORSHIP**

THIRD SUNDAY  
JULY 9, 2023

143<sup>RD</sup> SEASON  
10:30 AM

WELCOME

**The Gathering**

THE PRELUDE

*Melody of Hope*

arr. Sondra Tucker  
Temple Bells, conducted today by Audrey Cabral

**The Service of Praise**

\*THE DOXOLOGY

*Praise God from whom all Blessings flow,  
Praise God all creatures here below;  
Praise God above ye heavenly hosts.  
Creator, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.*

\*CALL TO WORSHIP (by John Philip Newell)

One: Light within all light, Soul behind all souls,

**All: At the break of dawn, at the coming of day, we watch and wait.**

One: Your Light within the morning light, your Soul within the human soul,

**All: Your Presence beckoning to us from the heart of life.**

One: In the dawning of this day, let us know fresh shinings in our soul.

**All: In the growing colors of new beginning all around us, let us know the first lights of our heart.**

One: Great Star of the morning, inner Flame of the universe,

**All: Let us be a color in this new dawning.**

\*THE LORD'S PRAYER (using "sins")

\*HYMN OF PRAISE  
AND THANKSGIVING

*Bright Morning Star*

Traditional Appalachian Hymn,  
new verses by Fred Small

**The Service of the Word**

THE SCRIPTURE READING

Psalm 46: 1-7

Debbie Sousa

God is our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble.

Therefore we will not fear, though the earth should change, though the mountains shake in the heart of the sea, though its waters roar and foam, though the mountains tremble with its tumult. *Selah*

There is a river whose streams make glad the city of God, the holy habitation of the Most High.

God is in the midst of the city; it shall not be moved; God will help it when the morning dawns.

The nations are in an uproar; the kingdoms totter; he utters his voice; the earth melts.

The LORD of hosts is with us; the God of Jacob is our refuge. *Selah*

-NRSV

ANTHEM

*A Holy Place*

Lloyd Larson  
Temple Choir, directed by Jerry Scheinfeldt

THE MORNING PRAYER

Steve Sousa

CHORAL RESPONSE

*O Lord, Hear My Prayer*

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\*HYMN OF FAITH  
AND AFFIRMATION

*Everything Possible*

Fred Small

THE OFFERING INVITATION AND PRAYER

OFFERTORY

*Psalm 91*

Stuart Watson  
Temple Choir, directed by Jerry Scheinfeldt

THE SERMON

"The Peace of Trees"

Fred Small

SILENT PRAYER

\*HYMN OF REFLECTION

*Tree of Life*

Guy Carawan

**The Sending**

\*THE BENEDICTION

Stephanie Kaza

\*"Go in Peace"

Barber L. Waters  
Kenneth E. White

Go in peace and the peace of God be with you this day.  
Go in peace and the peace of God be with you alway'.  
Celebrate and share the joy! Celebrate New Life!  
Go in peace and the peace of God be with you alway'.

\*THE POSTLUDE

Temple Brass, directed by Dan Evans  
and Organ

*\*All who are able, please stand.*

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Greeters today are Rob and Nancy Drake. *Thank you!*

**Today's flowers are given
by the Ocean Park Association**

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**PLATFORM GUESTS**

**REV. FRED SMALL**

**SERMON**

Cited by Bill McKibben as "one of the key figures in the religious environmental surge," Rev. Fred Small is Minister for Climate Justice at Arlington Street Church, Boston.

A Unitarian Universalist parish minister for nearly two decades, Fred is also a singer-songwriter and environmental lawyer. In 2015 he left parish ministry to devote his energies to advocating and organizing for environmental, racial, and climate justice. This spring, Nosy Crow published a children's picture book adaptation of Fred's iconic lullaby of love and acceptance, "Everything Possible."

In 2018, Fred earned his Certificate in Spiritual Guidance from the Rowe Center. A member of Spiritual Directors International, he leads workshops on spiritual support for climate activism and offers one-on-one spiritual counseling, especially for climate anxiety and ecological grief.

Educated at Yale (BA 1974) and the University of Michigan (JD and MS in Natural Resources 1978), Fred served as a staff attorney for the Conservation Law Foundation. In 1980, Fred left CLF to tour internationally as a folksinger and songwriter, releasing seven albums over two decades on the Rounder, Flying Fish, and Aquifer labels. Pete Seeger called him "one of America's best songwriters."

In 1996, Fred entered Harvard Divinity School, where he designed the Green Sanctuary program adopted by the Unitarian Universalist Association and implemented in over 250 congregations. Awarded his M.Div. degree in 1999, Fred was ordained a Unitarian Universalist minister by First Church Unitarian in Littleton, Massachusetts. After nine years in Littleton, in 2008 Fred was called by First Parish in Cambridge, Massachusetts.

Fred lives in Cambridge, Massachusetts, with his wife, environmental advocate Julie Wormser, and their daughter Lucy.

**DEBBIE SOUSA  
STEVE SOUSA**

**SCRIPTURE  
PRAYER**

Debbie and Steve Sousa split their time between Boston and Ocean Park. They are both association executives -Debbie works with mortgage lenders and Steve with real estate appraisers.

Both serve on OPA committees. Steve is Chair of the Property Committee and a member of the OPA Board. Debbie is a member of the Development Committee.

Debbie's great-grandparents started coming to Ocean Park and now their kids and eight grandchildren are carrying on the tradition. They love living on West Casco Ave in the home that her parents once owned.

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**Thank you for your donations!**  
**Your continued support helps us to further our mission.**

Music Director: Jerry Scheinfeldt

Organist: Jerry Scheinfeldt

Pianist: Eric Larson

Head Usher: Pamela Savage

Sound Engineer: Jesse Grace

Temple Bell Choir Director: Sue Evans

Temple Brass Choir Director: Dan Evans

Temple Choir Director: Jerry Scheinfeldt

*Activity Packets* are available from the ushers for those children who attend the service, and contain quiet, worship-oriented activities.

Meet the Preacher immediately after the service at the front of the Temple.

Fellowship Time following the service in the Grove between Porter Hall and the Temple.

(In the event of rain, Fellowship Time will take place in Porter Hall)

*Greet old friends      Meet new friends*

Bell Choir Rehearsals: Sundays 8:00 am

Temple Brass Rehearsals: Sundays 9:00 am

Temple Choir Rehearsals: Saturdays 5:30 pm and Sundays 9:30 am

(Please see Jerry, Sue or Dan for further information)

The Williams Sound System: This system aids the hearing impaired and is available from the ushers. It can be used in the Temple, while seated on the benches outside, or in a car.

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Mission Statement: The purpose of the Ocean Park Association is to affirm the traditions and spiritual heritage of which we are heirs, through a summer assembly program where Christian worship, principles and ideals are at the focus; where diversity is celebrated and the dignity of all is embraced and respected; where the natural beauty of our seaside resort is conserved and enhanced; and where programs centered on religion, education, recreation and culture provide opportunities for individual growth and family enrichment.

Temple History: The Temple was built by Free Will Baptists during a six-week period in the summer of 1881; it was dedicated on August 2nd of that year, which was also the first day of the Assembly Program in Ocean Park. The octagonal structure represents an architectural style popular at the time. It seats up to 750 people, and is the site of most cultural events.

The Temple is open weekday mornings for meditation and observation.

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#### COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Historical Room in Porter Hall is open from 11:30-12:40 after the service this morning.