Texts and Lyrics

First Unitarian Congregation of Toronto
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Chalice Lighting

Leader: As we light our chalice:
Congregation:
May its flame kindle within us
the warmth of compassion
the glow of love
the fire of commitment
and the light of truth.

Hymn #126: "Come Thou Fount of Every Blessing"

Come, thou fount of ev'ry blessing, tune our ears to sing thy grace.
Streams of mercy never ceasing, call for songs of loudest praise.
While the hope of life's perfection fills our hearts with joy and love,
teach us ever to be faithful, may we still thy goodness prove.

Come, thou fount of ev'ry vision, lift our eyes to what may come.
See the lion and the young lamb dwell together in thy home.
Hear the cries of war fall silent, feel our love glow like the sun.
When we all serve one another, then our heaven is begun.

Come, thou fount of inspiration, turn our lives to higher ways.
Lift our gloom and desperation, show the promise of this day.
Help us bind ourselves in union, help our hands tell of our love.
With thine aid, O fount of justice, earth be fair as heav'n above.

Our Covenant

Love is our doctrine.
The quest for truth is our sacrament
And service is our prayer.
To dwell together in peace,
To seek knowledge in freedom,
To serve life,
To the end that all souls shall grow
into harmony with the divine—
Thus do we covenant with each other and with all.

Centring Music #123: "Spirit of Life"

Spirit of Life, come unto me.
Sing in my heart all the stirrings of compassion.
Blow in the wind, rise in the sea;
move in the hand, giving life the shape of justice.
Roots hold me close; wings set me free;
Spirit of Life, come to me, come to me.

Song of Response

There is a truth beyond our knowledge.
There's compassion beyond our pain.
There's a spirit burning brighter.
There's a love to guide our way.

Hymn #95: "There Is More Love Somewhere"

There is more love somewhere.
There is more love somewhere.
I'm gonna keep on 'til I find it.
There is more love somewhere.

Hope…
Peace…
Joy…