

Minister's Report

December 6, 2020

Monthly Worship Theme: Stillness

Opening Words: John O'Donohue, For Belonging *

Overall:							
	Ministerial Observations	Ministerial Wonderings	Ministerial Flags	Ministerial Celebrations			
Governance and	The Reopening Planning	When will the board	If we are going to have a Winter	Clear board 20-2021 goals are			
Leadership	Group (RPG) rejected	determine the 2021-22	2021 online auction fundraiser,	offering more transparency			
	outdoor choir caroling idea as	Canvass chair/s?	we should recruit a couple more	and connection to the			
	part of our 12/18 Christmas		people to join that committee.	congregation.			
	tree decorating and candle		Some people have expressed				
	lighting event, determining it		enthusiasm for the idea as a				
	was too high-risk.		Winter "spirit-raiser."				
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Staff	Staff are needing breaks, as they have all been putting in extra hours this fall; RL is encouraging everyone to take days off/vacation time during/after the holidays.	Any ideas of how/where get 2 more tech volunteers for Sundays?	Staff are needing more support from RL during this stressful time; any extra appreciations would be welcome!	We continue to collaborate well as a staff team, in spite of challenging times.			
Worship, Ritual and	We continue to work on	What additional	RL and Keith will meet with a	Much appreciation to FPB			
Ceremony	expanding and improving	improvements/changes need	professional production	members who have stepped			
	technology for live streaming	to be made to enhance the	consultant in December, to	up to help with altar design,			
	from the sanctuary.	virtual worship experience?	consider improvements we				

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May you listen to your longing to be free.

May the frames of your belonging be generous enough for your dreams.

My you arise each day with a voice of blessing whispering in your heart.

May you find a harmony between your soul and your life.

May the sanctuary of your soul never become haunted.

May you know the eternal longing that lives at the heart of time.

May there be kindness in your gaze when you look within.

May you never place walls between the light and yourself.

May you allow the wild beauty of the invisible world to gather you, mind you, and embrace you in belonging.