

Prairie Unitarian Universalist Society

November 7, 2004

A Musical Celebration

With Members of the Unitarian Universalist
Society of Geneva, Illinois

Performers: Ruth Cavanaugh, Susan Conant, Gary Grandberg, Michael
Mackey, Lynne Fisher McCanne, Cynthia Spiegel, Patricia Vary

Ingathering Music

Welcome - Michael Briggs, Prairie UU President

Announcements

Introduction of Guests and Visitors

Desafina with UUSG Guest Performers

Light Up This Chalice - UUSG and Congregation

Introduction and Song of Praise – UUSG Performers

Unitarian Universalist Society of Geneva Covenant, 1842

Doxology - UUSG Guest Performers

Africa Rhythms – a Children's Activity UUSG

Hida – as children depart - UUSG and Prairie Musicians

Joys and Concerns

Lady Meng Yang - Offering - UUSG

Make a Joyful Noise

UUSG and Prairie Musicians with the Congregation

Free Chant

Gathered Here

Freedom

Siahamba

Kwaheri

Zemer Atik

Final Words – UUSG Guests

Postlude *Shalom Taize* - UUSG and Congregation

Readings and Congregational Singing
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Light Up This Chalice
by Susan Conant

Light up this chalice,
we've got open minds, loving hearts
Light up this chalice,
we're gonna do our part.
Celebrate! Celebrate!
Unitarian Universalism.
Celebrate! Celebrate!
This light stands for our faith. (end after 2nd time)
Treat every person with kindness.
Take good care of the earth our home.
Live lives full of goodness and love.
Find the truth in us all.
(repeat through the second verse)

The Covenant of the Unitarian Universalist Society of Geneva, written in 1842

Being desirous of promoting practical goodness in the world,
And of aiding each other in our moral and religious improvement,
We have associated ourselves together not as agreeing in opinion,
not as having attained universal truth in belief or perfection in character,
but as seekers after truth and goodness.

Gathered Here Hymn # 389

Gathered her in the mystery of the hour.
Gathered here in one strong body.
Gathered here in the struggle and the power.
Spirit, draw near.

Freedom Zakhele Msomi of the Dundee Voices of Joy

We are free! We are free! We are free!
Let us celebrate, celebrate, celebrate, Oh!
Let us celebrate, celebrate, Oo la la Oh la!

Siyahamba (See-ya-hahm-ba) South African

Si-ya-ham-ba ku-kha-nyen kwen-kwo (repeats 4 times)
Si-ya-ham-ba, ham-ba,
Si-ya-ham-ba ku-kha-nyen kwen-kwo (repeats 2 times)

We are marching in the light of God !
We are singing in the light of God !
We are praying in the light of God !.
We are dancing in the light of God !

Kwaheri (Qua-hair-ee) Traditional Kenyan

Translation: "Goodbye, dear friend. We will meet again."

Kwa-he-ri kwa-he-ri, m'-pen-zi kwa-he-ri
Tu-ta'-o-na-na te-na tu-ke jari-wa

In Joy and Peace - Adapted from music
by Jacques Berthier of the Taize' community

In joy and peace go forth. A-men.
Shalom, salaam, blessed be.