



“Yet the story of Orpheus, it occurs to me, is not just about the desire of the living to resuscitate the dead but about the ways in which the dead drag us along into their shadowy realm because we cannot let them go. So we follow them into the Underworld, descending, descending, until one day we turn and make our way back.”

— Meghan O'Rourke

## ORDER OF SERVICE

May 2, 2021 | 11 am

*The Sounding Bowl calls us into silence*

**Prelude | *We Choose Love*** by Ana Egge & Adam Podd  
featuring Jim Patrick

**Call to Worship**

**Welcome |** Garnett Losak, Director of Congregational Life

**Opening Hymn |** 'Tis a Gift to Be Simple

'Tis a gift to be simple, 'tis a gift to be free,  
'tis a gift to come down where we ought to be,  
and when we find ourselves in the place just right,  
twill be in the valley of love and delight.

When true simplicity is gained,  
to bow and to bend we shan't be ashamed.  
To turn, turn will be our delight,  
'till by turning, turning we come 'round right.

**Lighting the Chalice |** Jaden Li Gunn

(unison reading)

*Blessed is the fire of our faith, and the chalice of our community;  
Blessed is the living tradition that is carried forward in our work and in our love.  
Blessed is the transient flame we kindle here;  
Blessed is the illuminated moment of our gathering.  
Blessed is the light of the eternal;  
Blessed is the sacred call of life to which we give ourselves in answer.*

## Song of Hope

*From all that dwell below the skies  
Let songs of hope and faith arise  
Let peace good will on earth be sung,  
Through every land by every tongue*

## Prayer

**Anthem | *Keep On Moving Forward*** by Emma's Revolution

## Offertory

This month's Share the Plate TBD

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**Sermon | *Greek Myths: Orpheus and Eurydice*** Rev. Ana Levy-Lyons

Featuring:

Mark Rinzel.....Orpheus

Stanley Rinzel.....Hades

**Hymn | Come and Go With Me**

Come and go with me to that land,  
Come and go with me to that land,  
Come and go with me to that land where I'm bound. (2x)

There'll be freedom in that land...

There'll be justice in that land...

There'll be singin' in that land...

## Benediction

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For a Zoom link, please contact [information@fuub.org](mailto:information@fuub.org)

Participation on Facebook <https://www.facebook.com/FirstUBrooklyn/>

**Zoom will be open beginning at 10:30AM for casual conversation. We will mute everyone's mics at 10:50AM In order to create a meditative pre-worship atmosphere as well as protect everyone's privacy when we begin our Facebook feed.**