

Paint Branch Unitarian Universalist Church
Worship Service

Sunday, April 2, 2023

3:00 pm

Gathering Music

David Chapman, Music Director

Welcome

Carol Carter Walker,
Worship Associate

Congregational Greeting

Call To Worship

Reverend Lynn Strauss,
Guest Minister

Hymn # 153 *Oh, I Woke Up This Morning with my Mind Set on Freedom*

Chalice Lighting

Carol Carter Walker

Rolling Away The Stone by Rev. Sara Moores Campbell

*In the tomb of the soul, we carry secret yearnings, pains, frustrations,
loneliness, fears, regrets, worries.*

*In the tomb of the soul, we take refuge from the world and its
heaviness.*

*In the tomb of the soul, we wrap ourselves in the security of darkness.
Sometimes this is a comfort. Sometimes it is an escape.*

*Sometimes it prepares us for experience. Sometimes it insulates us
from life.*

*Sometimes this tomb-life gives us time to feel the pain of the world
and reach out to heal others.*

Sometimes it numbs us and locks us up with our own concerns....

Joys and Sorrows

Jim Flaherty,
Pastoral Care Associate

Intonation *The Merry-Go-Round of Life* by Joe Hisaishi

Silence

Reading *A Gospel Chorus from To Wake, To Rise*, edited by Rev. William Sinkford
Carol Carter Walker

Offering Carol Carter Walker

Offertory *The Times They Are A-Changin* by Bob Dylan

Thank you

Reading Reverend Strauss

Special Music (Video) *One Fine Day* by Mary Kay Weaver
(Circe Records/Ishtar Films)

Sermon Filled With Life Reverend Strauss

Hymn # 116 *I'm On My Way*

Closing Words Reverend Strauss

Response #123 *Fuente de Amor/Spirit of Life*

Chalice Extinguishing Carol Carter Walker

Rolling Away The Stone (continued) by Rev. Sara Moores Campbell

*In this season where light and dark balance the day, we seek balance
for ourselves.*

*Grateful for the darkness that has nourished us, we push away the
stone and invite the light to awaken us to the possibilities within
us and among us—possibilities for new life in ourselves and in our
world.*

Announcements Carol Carter Walker

Music for Conversation and Connection David Chapman