

**FIRST PARISH
CHURCH OF
STOW &
ACTON**
*Unitarian
Universalist*

**Sunday, December 20,
2020
10:00 AM**

Gathering

Prelude

Carol Selections

Ethan Mattor, Jean Patterson,
and Alex Mattor, French Horn

Welcome & Announcements

Ken Langer

Testimonial Poem

Roy Miller, Stewardship Committee

Call to Worship

The Rev. Dr. Cynthia L. Landrum

Chalice Lighting

Advent Candle Lighting

Yule Log

Michelle Coté,

Director of Religious Education

Hymn

Yule Fires

J.G. MacKinnon

Mike Pfitzer, voice

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| 1. In ancient days the folk of old
When chilled with fright by
winter's cold
Did kindle up a great Yule fire
With leaping flames in its great
pyre; | 3. So we, whose minds now sense a
chill
Of anger in the evil will,
The human conflict, hate, and
strife,
Which hold a menace over life; |
| 2. So to entice the waning sun
To rise again and wider run;
It's fiery course across the sky,
To warm them so they would
not die. | 4. Would kindle up a flame of love
That we within our hearts may
move,
In Yuletide joy, with love
embrace
And thus abide in peace and
grace. |

Sharing

Covenant

Joleen Trotta,

Welcoming and Membership Coordinator

Love is the spirit of this church,
and service its law.

This is our great covenant:
To dwell together in peace,
to seek the truth in love,
and to help one another.

Affirmation

Mike Pfitzer, Voice

From all that dwell below the skies
let words of love and peace arise.
Let joyful songs of praise be sung,
through every land, by every tongue.

Joys and Sorrows

Marcia Rising, Lay Minister

Prayer or Meditation

Sharing Our Gifts

Christmas Is Coming

trad. carol

Mike Pfitzer, voice and Sanghee, piano

This month we share our weekly offering with Concord Prison Outreach

Checks may be made to “First Parish Church” and sent to the Church at:

Pledges: attn: Pledge Secretary, PO Box 215, Stow MA 01775

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We also invite you to donate by text to (978) 310-3309;

or donate online at <https://fpc-stow-acton.org/donate>

Christmas is coming, the goose is getting fat,

Please put a penny in the old man’s hat.

If you haven’t got a penny, then a ha’penny will do

If you haven’t got a ha’penny, then God bless you.



The Mummers’ Play: St. George and

The Dragon

Carolers

Eve Beauvais	Robin
Ledwell	
Jenni Edgerton	Regan Murray
Benji Edgerton	Corrine
Murray	
Duncan Edgerton	Anna
Ruminski	
Eliot Chetwynd,	Leah
Ruminski	

Kendra Jablonowski

Cast

Room.....Leah Ruminski
Mother ChristmasAnna Ruminski
Janey Jack... Eve Beauvais
MollyRegan Murray
Baker Kendra Jablonowski
Shopper.....Corrine Murray
Fool Duncan Edgerton
DragonBenji Edgerton
St. GeorgeEliot Chetwynd
Longest KnightKiran Bean
Doctor Robin Ledwelll

Crew

Director	Pat Sorn
Script	Cynthia Landrum & Pat Sorn
Musicians	Susan Avery & Sheryl Lafayette
Zoom Helpers	Susan Avery, Jenni Edgerton, Karen Kinnear, Kim Kinnear,
	& Sheryl Lafayette
Editing	Katy Weeks

Carol

Here We Come a-Wassailing

1. Here we come a-wassailing among the leaves so green,
Here we come a wandering, so fair to be seen.
Love and joy come to you, and to you a wassail too.
And God bless you and send you a happy New Year
And God send you a happy New Year.
2. We are not daily beggars that beg from door to door,
But we're the neighbours' children, that you have seen before.
Love and joy come to you, and to you a Wassail too,
And God bless you and send you a happy New Year
And God send you a Happy New Year.
3. God bless the master of the house, likewise the mistress too,
And all the little children, that round the table go.
Love and joy come to you, and to you a wassail too,
And God bless you and send you a Happy New Year
And God send you a Happy New Year.

Carol

We Wish You a Merry Christmas

1. We wish you a merry Christmas! We wish you a merry Christmas!
We wish you a merry Christmas and a happy new year!

Refrain: Good tidings we bring to you and your kin.

We wish you a merry Christmas and a happy new year!

2. Oh, bring us some figgy pudding, Oh, bring us some figgy pudding
Oh, bring us some figgy pudding, And a cup of good cheer!
Refrain.

3. We wish you a merry Christmas! We wish you a merry Christmas!
We wish you a merry Christmas and a happy new year!

Returning

Benediction

Sung Benediction

Peace be with you 'til we meet again!
As life lays its task before you,
keep love's banner floating o'er you.
Peace be with you 'till we meet again.

Postlude

We Wish You A Merry Christmas

Ethan Mattor, Jean Patterson,
and Alex Mattor, French Horn

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Those who are on Zoom may remain
for a virtual “coffee hour” following the postlude.
If you're in the “drive-in church”, honk and wave to each other!

Thank you to our helpers today: Susan Avery & Sharon Brownfield
and all those who helped with this service, and to our staff, board, and other
leaders.



*First Parish is a Unitarian
Universalist Association
Welcoming Congregation.
We warmly welcome gay,
lesbian, bisexual, and
transgender people into our
community.*

The Rev. Dr. Cynthia L. Landrum, Minister

Michelle Cote, Director of Religious
Education

Deedee Perkins, Parish Administrator

Dr. Mike Pfitzer, Director of Music

Sanghee Kim, Organist/Pianist

Joleen Trotta, Welcoming & Membership
Coordinator

Janet Beatrice, External Publicity

Katy Weeks, President

Sharon Brownfield, Vice President

Bill Froberg, Treasurer

Helen Ham, Clerk

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