



TOUCHSTONES

Worship Resource Packet

Worship Resources for Hospitality

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2.1: *The Chalice of Our Being* by Dag Hammerskjöld (18 words)

Each morning we must hold out the chalice of our being to receive, to carry, and give back.

Source: <http://www.uua.org/worship/words/meditation/chalice-our-being>

2.2: *A Community of Faith* by Rev. Judith L. Quarles (67 words)

At this hour, in small towns and big cities, in single rooms and ornate sanctuaries, many of our sister Unitarian Universalist congregations are also lighting a flaming chalice. As we light our chalice today, let us remember that we are part of a great community of faith. May this dancing flame inspire us to fill our lives with the Unitarian Universalist ideals of love, justice and truth.

Source: <http://cuc.ca/wp-content/uploads/2011/10/RESOURCES-FOR-SHARING-OUR-FAITH-2012.pdf>

2.3: *Love is the Spirit of this church* by James Vila Blake, adapted (36 words)

Love is the spirit of this church, and service is its law. This is our covenant: to dwell together in peace, to seek the truth in love, to serve human need, and to help one another.

Source: [SLT #473](#)

2.4: *Welcoming the Stranger* by Rev. Theresa Soto, Tracy Bleakney (69 words)

Original version in English by Tracy Bleakney, traducción en español por Theresa Soto

A child journeys far from home

Fearful and brave,

in need of safe harbor.

Guided by this chalice, may we seek to understand the causes of flight.

Like the comfort of a candle flickering in a window of darkness,
Let us welcome this child into our home with
warmth, nourishment, and love.
Would we not want the same for our own child,
lost and alone in a strange land?

(traducción por Theresa Soto)

Un niño viaja lejos de su casa
Temeroso y valiente
Careciendo de un puerto de asilo
Guiados por este cáliz, tratemos de comprender
las causas de huir
Como el consuelo de una vela encendida
en una ventana oscura
Demos bienvenida a este niño, a nuestra casa
con simpatía, alimento, y cariño
¿No quisieramos lo mismo por nuestro propio niño
perdido y solo en tierra extranjera?

Source: <http://www.uua.org/worship/words/chalice-lighting/welcoming-stranger>