

AGENDA FOR THE PLENARY SESSIONS

Thursday 4 April

PLENARY SESSION I 14:40 – 15:40

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| 14:40 | 1 | Welcome | (President) |
| 14:45 | 2 | Adoption of Standing Orders
and confirmation of the Steering Committee
(Marion Baker, Angela Maher, Lynne Readett) | [AGM 5/24]
(President) |
| 14:50 | 3 | Being together | (President, Safeguarding Officer) |
| 15:00 | 4 | Motion 1 (Artificial Intelligence) | (Rev Andi Phillips,
Rev Mark Hutchinson) |
| 15:25 | 5 | Chief Officer's Report | (Liz Slade) |

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Friday 5 April

PLENARY SESSION II 08:45 – 10:00

08:45 1 Opening devotions
Led by Christina Smith

Hymn – When our heart is in a holy place

*When our heart is in a holy place,
when our heart is in a holy place
we are blessed with love and amazing grace,
when our heart is in a holy place.*

When we trust the wisdom in each of us,
every colour every creed and kind,
and we see our faces in each other's eyes,
then our heart is in a holy place.

When we tell our story from deep inside,
and we listen with a loving mind,
and we hear our voices in each other's words,
then our heart is in a holy place.

When we share the silence of sacred space,
and the God of our heart stirs within,
and we feel the power of each other's faith,
then our heart is in a holy place.

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- 08:55 2 Welcome to Day Two (President)
- 09:00 3 Unitarian College (Helen Mason)
- 09:10 4 Ministry Stipend Report (Jenny Jacobs)
- 09:20 5 Motion 2 (No more deaths) (David Warhurst, Tim Baker)
- 09:45 6 Healthy endings and brighter beginnings (Lizzie Kingston
Harrison, Linda Craig)

Note

A choir practice will take place in the room immediately after the session ends. There is limited practice time, and those not taking part in the choir practice are asked to leave the room promptly.

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PLENARY SESSION III 10.45 – 12:10

10:45 1 Opening devotions
Led by Kyle McDonald

Hymn – Gather the spirit

Gather the spirit, harvest the power.
Our separate fires will kindle one flame.
Witness the mystery of this hour.
Our trials in this light appear all the same.

*Gather in peace, gather in thanks.
Gather in sympathy now and then.
Gather in hope, compassion and strength.
Gather to celebrate once again.*

Gather the spirit of heart and mind.
Seeds for the sowing are laid in store.
Nurtured in love and conscience refined,
with body and spirit united once more.

*Gather in peace, gather in thanks.
Gather in sympathy now and then.
Gather in hope, compassion and strength.
Gather to celebrate once again.*

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| 10:55 | 3 | Presentation of the 2022/23 Annual Report
& Accounts and questions
plus motions 9-12 | (Liz Slade,
Rob Whiteman)
(President) |
| 11:15 | 4 | GA governance – CIO | (John Bates) |
| 11:30 | 5 | Motion 3 (Gaza) | (Julio Torres, Robin Hanford) |
| 12:00 | 6 | Motion 7 (Honorary Membership) | (President) |

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Saturday 6 April

PLENARY SESSION IV 08:45-10:10

08:45 1 Opening devotions
Led by Rev Alicia Forde

Hymn: Do what most kindles love

Do what most kindles love in you;
do what most kindles love.

08:55 2 Motion 4 (Unlimited motions) **(David Warhurst, Dot Hewerdine)**

09:20 3 Motion 8 (Honorary Membership) **(President)**

09:30 4 Motion 5 (CIO) **(Executive Committee)**

09:45 5 Report from the Nightingale Centre
(Kathryn Breen, Mike Tracey)

09:50 6 Motion 6 – (Match Funding) **(Executive Committee)**

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CLOSING SESSION 12:00 – 13:00

Motions of thanks
(Motions 13-14)

Presidential Address

Appointing the new GA President
(Motion 15)

Vince McCully, Laura Dobson

Response of the GA President

Geoff Levermore

Appointing the new GA
Vice President
(Motion 16)

Geoff Levermore

Motion of thanks to Vince McCully
(Motion 17)

Geoff Levermore

12:40 Closing worship – Mark Hutchinson and Geoff Levermore

Hymn 1 – Come, come, whoever you are

Come, come, whoever you are
Come, come, whoever you are,
wanderer, worshipper, lover of leaving.
Ours is no caravan of despair,
come, yet again come.

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Hymn 2 – Come, sing a song with me

Come, sing a song with me,
come, sing a song with me,
come, sing a song with me,
that I might know your mind.

And I'll bring you hope when hope is hard to find,
and I'll bring a song of love and a rose in the winter time.

Come, dream a dream with me,
come, dream a dream with me,
come, dream a dream with me,
that I might know your mind.

And I'll bring you hope when hope is hard to find,
and I'll bring a song of love and a rose in the winter time.

Come, walk in rain with me,
come, walk in rain with me,
come, walk in rain with me,
that I might know your mind.

And I'll bring you hope when hope is hard to find,
and I'll bring a song of love and a rose in the winter time.

Come, share a rose with me,
come, share a rose with me,
come, share a rose with me,
that I might know your mind.

And I'll bring you hope when hope is hard to find,
and I'll bring a song of love and a rose in the winter time.

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Hymn 3 – For everyone born, a place at the table

For everyone born, a place at the table,
for everyone born, clean water and bread,
a shelter, a space, a safe place for growing,
for everyone born, a star overhead.

*And God will delight
when we are creators of justice and joy,
yes, God will delight
when we are creators of justice,
justice and joy!*

For woman and man, a place at the table,
revising the role, deciding the share,
with wisdom and grace, dividing the power,
for woman and man, a system that's fair.

For young and for old, a place at the table,
a voice to be heard, a part in the song,
the hands of a child in hands kind and wrinkled
for young and for old, the right to belong

For just and unjust a place at the table,
abuser, abused, how hard to forgive,
in anger, in hurt, a mindset of mercy,
for just and unjust, a new way to live.

For everyone born, a place at the table,
to live without fear, and simply to be,
to work, to speak out, to witness and worship,
for everyone born, the right to be free.