

A Gathering
at The Peepul Centre
Orchardson Avenue, Leicester

on Sunday 20th May 2007 at 11am

*A different way of being together for an hour
to celebrate the value of each other and the world*

Today's theme is 'The Divine Feminine'

Organised by members of Leicester Unitarian Fellowship



*Music: Crimson Vol 1 - Guru Ram Das Mantra
(Singh Kaur with Celtic Harp & keyboard by Kim Robertson)*

Welcome and introduction

*Lighting the chalice candle & opening words
'Charge of the Goddess'*

*Song: 'Ode to Joy'
(Friedrich Schiller/Beethoven,
No. 327 in 'Singing the Living Tradition')*

*Joy, thou Goddess, Fair immortal, offspring of Elysium,
Mad with rapture, to the portal of thy holy fane we come!
Fashion's laws indeed may sever, But thy magic joins again,
Humankind is one forever, 'neath thy mild and gentle reign.*

*Joy in nature's wide dominion, mightiest cause of all is found,
And 'tis Joy that moves the pinion when the wheel of time goes round,
From the bud she lures the flower, suns from out their orbs of light,
Distant spheres obey her power, Far beyond all mortal sight.*

(repeat 1st verse to end)

Short talk: 'The Divine Feminine'

Poem: 'Hugging Arms' by Ethan Walker III

*My beautiful Divine Mother, This universe is your body,
Alive and blushing With cosmic streams And rivers of love.*

*I bow to the rocks, Ancient siblings of boundless love,
I bow to the sun and the sailing planets
Who whistle songs of love To one another From deep within the inner sphere.*

*And I bow to every atom, Eternally in love with every other atom,
All of them whirling dervishes, Ecstatic in their dance Of joyous coexistence.*

*My heart melts at the sight Of this endless love feast,
And I deeply regret That my hugging arms Are so few and so short.*

Meditation on the Goddess

Music: 'Hymn to Her'

(Words/Music: Meg Keene - sung by Ava Wynne)

'May the joy of the Goddess be with you!'

Walking/Dance for Radhe & Govinda

Radhe, Radhe, Radhe Govinda bolo (rpt)

Govinda, Govinda, Govinda (rpt)

Radhe bol, Radhe bol, Radhe bol, Radhe bol, Radhe, Radhe,

Radhe bol, Radhe bol, Radhe bol, Radhe bol.

Floating Petals on Water

Sharing: Thoughts, Readings, Poems

Notices

Chant: 'I take delight'

*I take delight in the peace of the river,
flowing so gently to the strength of the sea,
And I take delight in the love that is flowing,
just like a river between you and me.*

Benediction:

*'The circle is open, yet unbroken.
May the peace of the Goddess go in our hearts.
Merry meet and merry part, And merry meet again.
Blessed Be'*

Music



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