

Celebration of Life for
Rosalie Raps Melnick

APRIL 9, 1942 – JULY 28, 2025



Olympia Unitarian Universalist Congregation

10 AM • SATURDAY • NOVEMBER 8 2025



Celebration of Life

Prelude

Troy Fisher

Opening Words and Lighting the Chalice

Rev. Mary Gear

Musical Interlude

Congregation & OUUC Choir

"Sing"

Words & Music: Joe Raposo

A Life Remembered

Don Melnick, husband: Who was Rosalie?

A Letter from Rosalie's Dad, read by Don

Diane Phinney, friend

Dee Berlin, friend

Musical Interlude

Troy Fisher

A Life Remembered (continued)

Gail Madden, friend

Don Melnick, husband: Living with Rosalie



Images of a Life Remembered
excerpt from an interview with Rosalie,
shared by Gail and Don

Musical Interlude

Meggin Turk
"Second Hand Rose"
Words & Music: Grant Clarke & James F. Hanley

A Time for Sharing

Musical Interlude

OUUC Choir
"Crossing The Bar"
Words: Tennyson
Music: Rani Arbo, arr. Peter Amidon

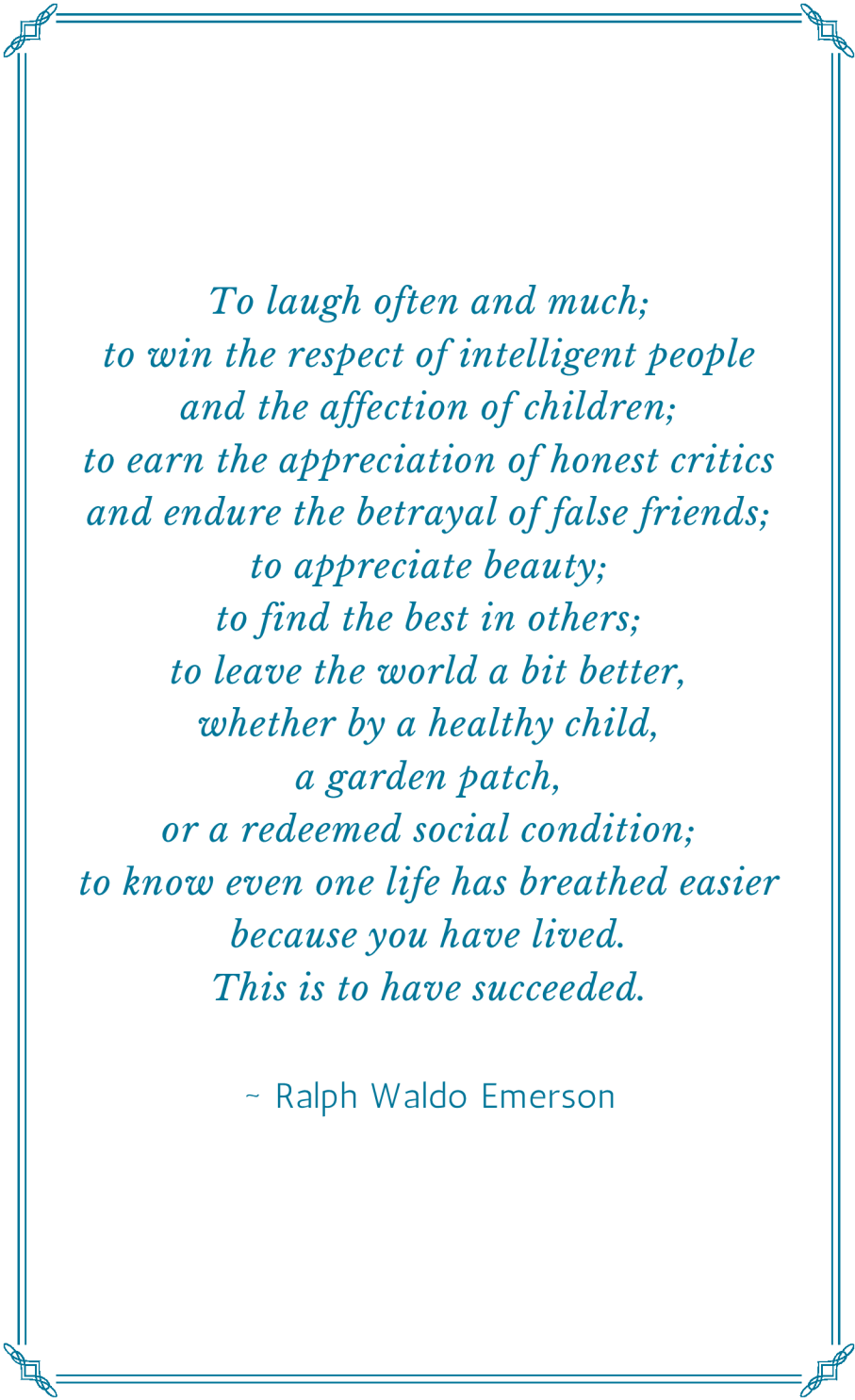
*Closing Words and
Extinguishing the Chalice*

Rev. Mary Gear

Postlude

Troy Fisher

**Everyone is welcome for a
Reception in the Commons.**



*To laugh often and much;
to win the respect of intelligent people
and the affection of children;
to earn the appreciation of honest critics
and endure the betrayal of false friends;
to appreciate beauty;
to find the best in others;
to leave the world a bit better,
whether by a healthy child,
a garden patch,
or a redeemed social condition;
to know even one life has breathed easier
because you have lived.
This is to have succeeded.*

~ Ralph Waldo Emerson