

## Order of Service

[August 18, 2024](#)

*"The greatness of a community is most accurately measured  
by the compassionate actions of its members." – Coretta Scott King*

### Sounding the Bowl

Prelude

*"My Dear Companion" — Rachel Grimes*

### Welcome and Opportunities

Greeting One Another

### Kindling the Flame of Community

*We light this chalice for the warmth of welcome, the light of hope, and the fire of service.*

Opening Words

*Loving in Fear, by Stephen M. Shick*

Opening Hymn

*#188 Come, Come, Whoever You Are*

Time for All Ages

*Backpack Blessing*

Singing the Children to their Classes

*Reeb's Children Benediction*

Receiving the Offering

*½ Plate Recipient: Micah's Backpack*

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Offertory

*Sonata in c minor, Op.13 no.8 — Beethoven II. Adagio cantabile*

Sharing Our Joys & Sorrows

*Submit your joy or sorrow to be read aloud [here](#)*

### Candles of Hope and Remembrance

Meditation

*To Light the Darkness and Begin Again by D. Scott Cooper*

Meditation Hymn

*#318 We Would Be One*

Reading

*Community Means Strength by Starhawk*

Homily

*Fostering Belonging in a Fragmented World, Cynthia Baute*

Closing Hymn

*#346 Come, Sing a Song with Me*

**Benediction & Extinguishing the Chalice** *Do Not Fear Agitation by Tania Márquez*

Postlude

*"With a Little Help from My Friends" — Lennon/McCartney*

**Speaker:** Cynthia Baute **Worship Associate:** Earle Irwin

**Minister:** Rev. Pam Philips **Director of Lifespan Faith Development:** Rachel Craine

**Flowers:** Gretchen Luke **Musician:** Jared Gibbs **A/V Tech:** Lucas Machi and Team **Song Leader:** Jane Mahone

**Sanctuary Greeters:** Fred Piercy, Karen Holstein, Crosby Houston, Beth McClellan, Lisa Evanylo (capt)

**Zoom Greeters:** Akiko Nakata, KC Arceneaux, Don Philyaw

### **Our Mission**

**Inspire** spiritual and ethical growth.

**Create** compassionate community.

**Transform** our community and the world through courageous love.

**Land Acknowledgement:** *The Tutelo/Monacan people are the traditional custodians of the land on which we work, live, and worship. We recognize their continuing connection to the land, water, and air that we consume. We pay respect to the Tutelo/Monacan Nations, and to their elders past, present, and emerging.*

## **UUC Covenant**

*We covenant to create a place of respect and kindness, and to build a spiritual community based on reason and courageous love.*

*We will listen to one another respectfully, assume good intentions, use the power of our words with care, express gratitude, honor our differences, help one another, and welcome all.*

*We will communicate directly, honestly, and compassionately. When we hurt one another, we will forgive, make amends, and re-connect.*

*While we celebrate the words of our Mission Statement, and of this covenant, we affirm that our mission lives through our actions.*

## **Opportunities this Week**

- Men's Breakfast, Monday at 7:00 am & Women's Breakfast, Monday at 7:30 am (UUC)
- InSpired Elders, Tuesday 3:00pm - 4:30pm (Lower Firepit)
- Meditation, Tuesday at 5:00 pm ([Zoom](#))
- UUYA's - UU Young Adults, Tuesday at 7:00 pm (Elarth)
- Conversations on our Faith, Wednesday at noon ([Zoom](#))
- Yoga, Wednesday at 5:30 pm (UUC)
- Women's Lunch, Friday at noon (contact [Cynthia Luke](#))