

Order of Service

April 27, 2025

"The soul's joy lies in doing." ~ Percy Bysshe Shelley

Prelude

Sonata in C Major, K. 159, Domenico Scarlatti

Welcome & Today in Religious Education

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

Rev. Margaret Weiss

Opening Hymn

#100, I've Got Peace Like a River

Time for All Ages

Picture Day -- Our Community

Singing the Children to their Classes

Reeb's Children Benediction

Receiving the Offering

½ Plate Recipient: [NRV Cares](#)

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Offertory

Milonga del ángel, Astor Piazzolla

Accepting the Offer

Sharing Our Joys & Sorrows

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

Candles of Hope and Remembrance

Meditation

Call In More Joy Guided Meditation

Meditation Hymn

#19, The Sun that Shines

Reflection

Can You Cultivate Joy?

Sermon

Cultivating Joy

Closing Hymn

Go Out in Joy!, Amanda Kudis-Kessler

Benediction and Extinguishing Chalice

Postlude

April: Snowdrop flower, Op. 37b by Pyotr Tchaikovsky

Minister: Rev. Pam Philips; Worship Associate: Cynthia Baute

Director of Lifespan Faith Development: Rachel Craine; Music Director: Jared Gibbs;

Piano: Mary Louise Hallauer; Songleader: Jane Mahone

Chalice Lighter: ; RE Announcement: ; Flowers: Polly Stimson; A/V Team

Sanctuary Greeters: Robin Cooley, Lisa Evanylo, Bobbie Littlefield, Cynthia Luke, Janet Sawyers

Zoom Greeters: Gail Dutchess & Vicki Mauer

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

- Activities Fair & Stewardship Celebration, after the service this Sunday in Elarth
- House of Hope, Adult Faith Development, Sunday at 1:00 (Library)
- Men's Breakfast, Monday at 7:00 am & Women's Breakfast, Monday at 7:30 am (UUC)
- Surviving Spouses, Tuesday at 2:00 pm (Library)
- Inspired Elders, Tuesday 3:00pm - 4:30pm (Room 3)
- 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)
- Rise For Freedom Training, Thursday at 7:45 (Library - contact Angela Parrish)
- Women's Lunch, Friday at noon (contact [Cynthia Luke](#))
- Community Game Night, Saturday at 5:30 pm in Elarth



Thanks to all who have already pledged!

[You can still make your Pledge Here.](#)

For more information, go to the [Stewardship page](#) on our website.