

## Order of Service

[April 5, 2026](#)

“Every day is a renewal, every morning the daily miracle. This joy you feel is life.” ~Gertrude Stein  
**Sounding the Bowl**

**Prelude** *Prelude in C Major, BWV 846 - J.S. Bach*

**Welcome, Greeting One Another and Opportunities to Engage**

**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** *Easter, Charles F Flagg*

**Opening Hymn** *#38, Morning Has Broken*

**Eggs through the Ages**

**Time For All Ages** *Rechenka's Eggs, Patricia Polacco*

**Receiving the Offering** *Montgomery County Animal Adoption Center*  
[Donate online](#), Text “Fund” to 844-909-2617, or use the Vanco Mobile App

**Offertory** *On an Overgrown Path - Leoš Janáček*  
*1. Our Evenings*

**Sharing Our Joys & Sorrows** *submit your joy or sorrow to be read aloud [here](#)*

**Candles of Hope and Remembrance**

**Reading** *Worm Moon, Mary Oliver*

**Music** *“More of This” Ashley Mulcaire*

**Homily** *Be Open to Possibility*

**Meditation** *Prayer for Easter Sunday, Wayne B. Arnason*

**Meditation Hymn** *#63, Spring Has Now Unwrapped the Flowers*

**Reading** *Alleluia! by Jeanne Lloyd*

**Closing Hymn** *#61, Lo, the Earth Awakes Again*

**Benediction & Extinguishing the Chalice Flame**

**Postlude** *Breakfast Club* *Be Open!, Debbie Nargi-Brown*

Minister: Rev. Pam Philips; Worship Associate: Cynthia Baute  
Director of Lifespan Faith Development: Rachel Craine; Music Director: Jared Gibbs  
Songleader: Wayne Neu; Flowers: Mary Ann Hansen; Breakfast Club  
Greeters: Beth McClellan, Ashley Dugan, Josh Dugan, Laura Robinson, René Lowry  
Zoom Greeters: Toni Cox and Akiko Nakata

### **Our Mission**

**Inspire** spiritual and ethical growth.

**Create** compassionate community.

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

## **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 (UUC)
- Women's Breakfast, Monday at 7:30 am (UUC)
- Sages, Tuesday at 2:00 (Library)
- Inspired Elders, Tuesday at 3:00 (lower level)
- Meditation, Tuesday at 5:00 ([Zoom](#))
- UUYA's, Tuesday at 7:00 (Elarth)
- Conversations on our Faith, Wednesday at noon (Library and [Zoom](#))
- Yoga, Wednesday at 5:30 pm (UUC)
- Board Meeting, Thursday at 7:00 pm (library, contact Chris Long to attend)
- Women's Lunch, Friday at noon (UUC or a local restaurant)
- Coffee House, Friday at 6:00 pm (sanctuary & Elarth)
- Big Event Grounds Work Day, Saturday at 9:30 am ([sign up here](#))
- Community Game Night, Saturday at 6:00 pm (Elarth)