

Order of Service

February 18, 2024

"Man's capacity for justice makes democracy possible, but man's inclination to injustice makes democracy necessary." ~Reinhold Niebuhr

Prelude

"Rainbow Connection," Paul Williams & Kenneth Ascher

Welcome & 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

Pat Uribe-Lichty

Opening Hymn

#6 Just As Long as I Have Breath

Time for All Ages

UUC Choir

Fight Song, Rachel Platten

Singing the Children to their Classes

Reeb's Children Benediction

Receiving the Offering $\frac{1}{2}$ Plate Recipient: MRF NAACP Samuel Harris Clark) Scholarship
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Offertory

Prelude in Db Major, Op.28, no.15, Frédéric Chopin

Sharing Our Joys & Sorrows

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

Candles of Hope and Remembrance

Meditation & Prayer

Seeking That Which Unites Us, Sara LaWall

Meditation Hymn

#123, Spirit of Life

Reflection

Reading

"How Fascism Will Come" by Terry Ehret

Sermon

Defending Democracy

Closing Hymn

#1017 Building a New Way

Benediction & Extinguishing Chalice

Postlude

"I'll Be Seeing You," Sammy Fain & Irving Kahal

Minister: Rev. Pam Philips; Worship Associate: Denise Martin; Reflection: Bob Stimson

Director of Lifespan Faith Development: Rachel Craine; Chalice Lighter: Delaney Rountree

Piano: Jared Gibbs; Songleader: Jane Mahone; Choir Director: Ella Kromin

A/V Tech: Lucas Machi; Flowers: Amanda Morgan; Snack Providers: Art Committee

Sanctuary Greeters: Rami Steinruck, Pauletta Copenheaver, Crosby Houston, Beth McClellan, Lisa Evanylo

Zoom Greeter: Akiko Nakata & KC Arceneaux

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

- UUC Art Show, starting today -- Rear Lobby
- Sunday Circle, Know Your Crows - KC Arceneaux, Today at 11:45 am (Library and [Zoom](#))
- Feedback Group on the Grounds, Today at 11:45 (Room 3 & [Zoom](#))
- OWL for Older Adults, Today at 4:00 pm (Library - [register here](#))
- Men's Breakfast, Monday at 7:00 am & Women's Breakfast, Monday at 7:30 am (UUC)
- Building Bridges for Adults, Monday at 6:30 pm (Library & [Zoom](#))
- Sages, 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)
- Choir Rehearsal, Wednesday at 7:00 pm (sanctuary)
- Women's Lunch, Friday at noon (contact [Cynthia Luke](#))