

Order of Service

[July 23, 2023](#)

"A ship is safe in the harbor, but that's not what ships are for." - John A. Shedd

Sounding the Bowl - Ally Dehoff, *Co-President*

Prelude - *Fantasy Bossa* by Christopher Norton

Welcome and Opportunities - Chris Long, *Member*

Greeting One Another

Kindling the Flame of Community - MJ Larson, *Member*

We light this flame to create a safe space committed to inclusivity, the spirit of change, and the light of self-discovery.

Opening Words - Maeve Rensberger, *Member*

Opening Hymn - #1015 *I know I Can*, Dennis Hamilton

UUYA Covenant (*next page*) - Matthew Long, *Treasurer*

Reflection - Ally Dehoff, *Co-President*

Receiving the Offering: ½ Plate Recipient: [YARN \(Young Adult Revival Network\)](#)

Offertory - *Meditation for violin and piano*, Jules Massenet

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

Candles of Hope and Remembrance

Meditation - Alex Parkhurst, *Member*

Meditation Hymn - #1020 *Woyaya*, Loughy Amoa, et al.

Homily - *How to Keep Walking Down the Stairs*, Laurence Magee, *Member*

Closing Hymn - #95 *There is More Love Somewhere*

Benediction and Extinguishing the Chalice Flame - Maeve Rensberger, *Member*

Postlude - *Romantic Piece, Op. 75, No.1*, Antonín Dvořák

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.

Worship Leaders: Unitarian Universalist Young Adults

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

Piano: Mary Louise Hallauer; Violin: Erik Midkiff; Songleader: UUYA Choir; A/V Tech: Lucas Machi; Flowers:
Amanda Morgan

Sanctuary Greeters: Rami Steinruck, Rai Johnson, Heather Nicholson, Janet Sawyers, Bobbie Littlefield

Zoom Greeters: Gail Dutchess, Suzi Lee Hiatt, Akiko Nakata

Our Mission

Inspire spiritual and ethical growth.

Create compassionate community.

Transform our community and the world through courageous love.

UUYA Covenant

We covenant to create a community of young adults committed to inclusivity, self-actualization, and transformative social action. We will foster these values by engaging charitably with all, connecting to the wider intergenerational community, and maintaining respect for the interdependent web of life.

Opportunities this Week

- UUC Building Tour, Sunday after the service (meet near the candle table)
- Interfaith Book Discussion, Sunday at 4:00 at Blacksburg Presbyterian Church Fellowship Hall
- Men's Breakfast, Monday at 7:00 am & Women's Breakfast, Monday at 7:30 am (UUC)
- Meditation, Tuesday at 5:00 pm
- UUYA's - UU Young Adults, Tuesday at 7:00 pm (Elarth)
- Conversations on our Faith, Wednesday at noon (library and [Zoom](#))
- Yoga, Wednesday at 5:30 pm (UUC)
- Women's Lunch Bunch, Friday at 11:30 am (UUC/local restaurant, contact Cynthia Luke)