

Order of Service

July 30, 2023

*Once in a while you get shown the light
In the strangest of places, if you look at it right. Robert Hunter*

Sounding the Bowl

Prelude

Delta by Crosby, Stills, and Nash

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

William Blake

Opening Hymn

#188 Come, Come, Whoever you Are

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Receiving the Offering

½ Plate Recipient: [Instill Mindfulness](#)

Offertory

Chop Wood, Kern and Peters

Sharing Our Joys & Sorrows

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

Candles of Hope and Remembrance

Reflection

Jim Kern

Meditation Hymn

#398 To See The World

Reflection

Brian Peters

Meditation

Brian Peters

Reflection

Ellen Plummer

Closing Hymn

#1007 There's a River Flowin' in my Soul

Benediction and Extinguishing the Chalice Flame

Postlude

Eyes of the World, Grateful Dead

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.

Worship Leaders: Ellen Plummer and Jim Kern

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

Vibraphone: Brian Peters; Songleader: Wayne Neu; A/V Tech: Lucas Machi; Flowers: Polly Stimson; Sanctuary Greeters: Laura Robinson (captain), Lisa Evanylo, Judy Furr, Karen Holstein, Crosby Houston Zoom Greeters: Akiko Nakata, Beth McClellan

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 & Women's Breakfast, Monday at 7:30 am (UUC)
- Sages, Tuesday at 2:00 (Library)
- 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 (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)
- Piecemakers, Saturday at 10:00 am (Library)