

Order of Service

June 29, 2025

"Freedom isn't the absence of restraint, it is the presence of Love."

Rev. Dr. Nicole Kirk

Prelude *What a Wonderful World, Bob Thiele and George David Weiss*

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

Opening Hymn *#347, Gather the Spirit*

Receiving the Offering *½ Plate Recipient: [Katie Tyson Fund for Youth & Young Adult Ministries](#)
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Offertory *Misty, Erroll Garner*

Accepting the Offering *#402, From You I Receive*

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

Candles of Hope and Remembrance

Prayer and Meditation

Sermon *Revolution Begins with a Dream, Rev. Dr. Nicole C. Kirk*

Musical Reflection *We Are*

Closing Hymn *#131, Love Will Guide Us*

Benediction and Extinguishing Chalice

Postlude *It Don't Mean a Thing, Duke Ellington*

Guest Minister: Rev. Dr. Nicole Kirk; Minister: Rev. Pam Philips;
Worship Associate: Ellen Plummer; Director of Lifespan Faith Development: Rachel Craine
Vibraphone: Brian Peters; Songleader: Wayne Neu; Flowers: Polly Stimson; A/V Tech;;
Sanctuary Greeters: Laura Robinson, Lisa Evanylo, Crosby Houston, Karen Holstein
Zoom Greeters: Akiko Nakata

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

- **Picnic and Play**, this Sunday after the service -- Bring a picnic lunch and play clothes (there will be a slip 'n slide!)
- Men's Breakfast, Monday at 7:00 am & Women's Breakfast, Monday at 7:30 am (UUC)
- Sages, Tuesday at 2:00 pm (Library)
- Inspired Elders, Tuesday 3:00pm - 4:30pm (Room 3)
- Meditation, Tuesday at 5:00 pm ([Zoom](#))
- Men's Group, Tuesday at 6:00 (offsite, contact Graham Glynn)
- 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)
- Women's Lunch, Friday at noon (contact [Cynthia Luke](#))