

Order of Service

[March 24, 2024](#)

"The harder things are to say, the more necessary they are to say." ~adrienne maree brown

Sounding the Bowl

Prelude

Allemande in E-flat Major, BWV 815, J.S. Bach

Welcome, Opportunities, & Today in Religious Education

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

Rev. Sarah Stewart

Opening Hymn

#1023 Building Bridges

Time for All Ages

Wonder Box

Singing the Children to their Classes

Reeb's Children Benediction

Stewardship Quiz

UUC Covenant (next page)

Conflict Transformation

Receiving the Offering $\frac{1}{2}$ Plate Recipient: [Montgomery County Animal Care & Adoption Center](#)

Offertory

To Spring, Op. 43, No. 6, Edvard Grieg

Sharing Our Joys & Sorrows

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

Candles of Hope and Remembrance

Meditation Hymn

#1037 We Begin Again in Love

Reading

Approaching Conflict Like a Poem, Tania Márquez

Homily

Conflict Transformation

Musical Reflection

Billie's Song, Valerie Capers

("Dedicated in fondest memory to the great lady of song, Billie Holiday.")

Benediction

Closing Hymn

#1008, When Our Heart is In a Holy Place

Extinguishing the Chalice Flame

Minister: Rev. Pam Philips; Worship Associate: Gretchen Luke; Director of LFD: Rachel Craine

Right Relations Development Team: Nancy Bodenhorn, Molly Lazar, Rami Steinruck, Allison Armstrong

Pianist: Jared Gibbs; Chalice Lighter:

Song Leader: Wayne Neu; A/V Tech: Lucas Machi; Flowers: Barbara Taylor

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

Littlefield and Zoom Greeters: Akiko Nakata, Gail Dutchess, Suzi Hiatt

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

- Conflict Transformation/Right Relations Team information meeting, 11:30 (Library)
- Lunch & Learn: On Repentance and Repair, 11:45 (Elarth)
- Men's Breakfast, Monday at 7:00 am (UUC)
- Women's Breakfast, Monday at 7:30 am (UUC)
- Surviving Spouses, Tuesday at 2:00 pm (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 ([Zoom](#))
- Yoga, Wednesday at 5:30 pm (UUC)
- Choir, Wednesday at 7:00 pm (UUC)
- Women's Lunch Bunch, Friday at 11:30 am (UUC/local restaurant, contact Cynthia Luke)
- Multigenerational Service, Sunday at 10:00 am
- Easter Egg Hunt, next Sunday after the service



Thanks to everyone who made our pledging party successful last week. If you haven't had a chance yet, please let us know how much you'd like to pledge to the 2024-2025 stewardship campaign.

[Make Your Pledge Here!](#)