Order of Service

November 15, 2026

"If you're going through hell, keep going."

Prelude *"I Mean You" — Thelonius Monk*

Welcome, Today in RE, and 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 *Invitation to Arrive and Rest, Rev. Shari Woodbury*

Opening Hymn *#128, For All that Is Our Life*

Time for All Ages *Alexander and the Terrible, Horrible, No Good, Very Bad Day*

Singing the Children to their Classes *Reeb's Children Benediction*

New Member Recognition

Offering ½ plate recipient: MCEAP (Montgomery County Emergency Assistance Program)
Donate online, *Text "Fund" to 844-909-2617, or use the Vanco Mobile App*

Offertory *"Wise One" — John Coltrane*

Sharing Our Joys & Sorrows and Candles of Hope and Remembrance

Meditation Hymn *#1002, Comfort Me*

Meditation *Krista Westervelt*

Special Music **Breakfast Club** *"Hard Times Come Again No More," Stephen Foster*

Reflection *Walking Through the Hard Times*

Sermon *Healing and Hard Times*

Closing Hymn *#1015, I Know I Can*

Benediction & Extinguishing the Chalice Flame

Postlude **The Breakfast Club** *"Let the Mystery Be," Iris Dement*

Minister: Rev. Pam Philips; Worship Associate: Denise Martin
Director of Lifespan Faith Development: Rachel Craine; Music Director: Jared Gibbs
Community Services Team lead: Molly McClintock; Chalice Lighter:
Song Leader: Cassey Kost; AV: Lucas Machi; Flowers: Barbara Taylor
Greeters: Beth McClellan, Jon Thomas, Crosby Houston, Patrick Feucht
Zoom Greeters: KC Arceneaux, Akiko Nakata, Bruce Turner

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

- **Holiday Arts and Crafts Fair, Sunday after the service (Elarth)**
- Parents Group, Sunday at 11:30 am (Lower Level)
- Men's Breakfast, Monday at 7:00 am & Women's Breakfast, 7:30 am (UUC)
- Sages, Tuesday at 2:00 (Library)
- Inspired Elders, Tuesday at 3:00 (Picnic Area or Sanctuary)
- Meditation, Tuesday at 5:00 (Zoom)
- UUYA's - UU Young Adults, Tuesday at 7:00 pm (Elarth)
- Conversations on our Faith, Wednesday at noon (library and Zoom) Reading *How God Changes Your Brain: Breakthrough Findings from a Leading Neuroscientist by Andrew Newberg M.D. & Mark Robert Waldman.*
- Yoga, Wednesday at 5:30 pm (UUC)
- Writers' Group, Thursday at 7:00 pm (Zoom)
- Women's Lunch, Friday at noon (contact Elizabeth Dell)
- Transgender Day of Remembrance Vigil, Friday at 6:00 pm (sanctuary)
- Piecemakers (quilting group), Saturday at 10:00 am (library)