

Order of Service

November 26, 2023

Abundance is not a number or acquisition. It is the simple recognition of enoughness.

~Alan Cohen

Sounding the Bowl

Prelude

Prelude in D Minor, BWV 851 — J. S. Bach

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 Hymn

#349, We Gather Together

Opening Words

Celebrating Abundance, Rev. Julián Jamaica Soto

Time for All Ages

Story by Rev. Jason Cook

Receiving the Offering

*½ Plate Recipient: [Monacan Food Bank](#)
[Donate online](#), Text “Fund” to 844-909-2617, or use the Vanco Mobile App*

Offertory

Prelude in F# Major, Op. 28, no. 13, Chopin

Sharing Our Joys & Sorrows

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

Candles of Hope and Remembrance

Meditation

The Chalice of Our Being, Richard S. Gilbert

Meditation Hymn

#1010, We Give Thanks

Responsive Reading

Forms of Abundance, Lorelei Greenwood-Jones

Homily

Celebrating Abundance

Cornbread & Cider Ritual & Blessing

A Thanksgiving Blessing, Naomi King

Musical Reflection

Waltz in A ♭ Major, Op. 69, no. 1 — Chopin

Benediction

Closing Hymn

We Belong to One Another, Amanda Udis-Keppler

Worship Leader: Ellen Plummer; Director of Lifespan Faith Development: Rachel Craine

Minister: Rev. Pam Philips; Piano: Jared Gibbs; Songleader: Jennifer Thomas

A/V Tech: Lucas Machi; Snacks: Susan and Bill Baker

Sanctuary Greeters: Rami Steinruck, Pauletta Copenheaver, Jim Copenheaver, Bobbie Littlefield, Lisa Evanylo

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

- Anti-Racism Book Discussion, Chapter 12 of *1619 Project*, Sunday at 1:00 ([Zoom](#))
- Men's Breakfast, Monday at 7:00 am & 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 Rehearsal, Wednesday at 7:00 pm (sanctuary)
- Women's Lunch Bunch, Friday at noon (UUC, contact [Cynthia Luke](#))
- Memorial Service for Åke Renqvist, Saturday at 11:00 a.m.
- Holiday Fun Night, Saturday at 6:00 p.m.

Holiday Fun Night

Saturday, December 2, 6:00pm-9:00pm

Start off the holiday season by enjoying hot chocolate and cookies, creating holiday crafts and ornaments, and watching holiday classics at UUC.

