Order of Service

November 8, 2026

"Rarely, if ever, are any of us healed in isolation. Healing is an act of communion."
~bell hooks

Prelude *Prelude in B ♭ Major, BWV 866 — J.S. Bach*

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 *"Joy Enough to Begin," Rev. Kate Lore*

Opening Hymn *#1000, Morning Has Come*

Time for All Ages *The Mitten Tree, Candace Christiansen*

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

Opportunities to Engage

Reflection *Gratitude as Healing*

Hymn *#21, For the Beauty of the Earth*

Offering ½ plate recipient: *Montgomery County Christmas Store*

Donate online, *Text "Fund" to 844-909-2617, or use the Vanco Mobile App*

Offertory *"Somewhere" — Leonard Bernstein & Stephen Sondheim*

Sharing Our Joys & Sorrows

Candles of Hope and Remembrance

Sermon *Healing the Body Politic*

Closing Hymn *#323, Break Not the Circle*

Benediction & Extinguishing the Chalice Flame

Postlude *"On the Sunny Side of the Street" — Jimmy McHugh & Dorothy Fields*

Minister: Rev. Pam Philips; Worship Associate: Victoria Taylor
Director of Lifespan Faith Development: Rachel Craine; Music Director: Jared Gibbs
Potluck Crew Chief: Carol King; Chalice Lighter:
Song Leader: Jim Flowers; AV: Lucas Machi; Flowers: Bonnie Moreno
Greeters: Lisa Evanylo, Liz Craine, Laura Robinson, Robin Cooley
Zoom Greeters: Vicki Mauer & Akiko Nakata

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

- Second Sunday Potluck, after the service today
- Men's Breakfast, Monday at 7:00 am & Women's Breakfast, 7:30 am (UUC)
- Surviving Spouses, Tuesday at 2:00 (Library)
- Parent Bereavement Group, Monday at 6:00 (Zoom, contact Katherine Allen)
- Inspired Elders, Tuesday at 3:00 (Picnic Area or Sanctuary)
- Meditation, Tuesday at 5:00 (Zoom)
- Caregivers Support Group, Tuesday at 7:00 (Zoom - contact Dan Kominsky)
- 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 by Newberg and Waldman.*
- Yoga, Wednesday at 5:30 pm (UUC)
- Board Meeting, Thursday at 7:00 pm (library and Zoom - contact Cassy Kost)
- Women's Lunch, Friday at noon (contact Elizabeth Dell)
- Breakfast Club, Saturday at 9:30 (breakfast) 10:00 (rehearsal) - contact Jared
- Community Crafts and Game Night, Saturday at 6:00 pm