

## Order of Service

August 4, 2024

*The choice to bless the world is more than an act of will, a moving forward into the world  
with the intention to do good. Rev. Rebecca Parker*

### Sounding the Bowl

Prelude

*Let It Be, The Beatles*

Welcome and 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

*A House for Hope: the Promise of Progressive Religion for the Twenty-first Century by Rev. John Buehrens and Rev. Rebecca Parker*

Opening Hymn

*#1007 There's a River Flowin' in my Soul*

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Receiving the Offering

*½ Plate Recipient: Habitat for Humanity*

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Offertory

*Happy Together, The Turtles*

Sharing Our Joys & Sorrows

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

Candles of Hope and Remembrance

Meditation

Meditation Hymn

*#352 Find a Stillness*

Reading

*Geraniums, Linda Hogan*

Sermon

*Empathetic Witness, Jennifer Springsteen*

Closing Hymn

*#168 One More Step*

Benediction & Extinguishing the Chalice Flame

Postlude

*It Don't Mean A Thing, Duke Ellington*

### Special Thanks

**Settled Minister:** Rev. Pam Philips **Guest Speaker:** Jennifer Springsteen

**Worship Associate:** Denise Martin

**Director of Lifespan Faith Development:** Rachel Craine

**Vibraphone:** Brian Peters **A/V Tech:** Jim Kern, Chris Long, Lucas Machi

**Flowers:** Polly Stimson **Song Leader:** Wayne Neu

**Sanctuary Greeters:** Ashley Dugan, Josh Dugan, Lisa Evanylo, Cynthia Luke, Jon Thomas

**Zoom Greeters:** Akiko Nakata, Toni Cox

## ***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**

- Men's Breakfast, Monday at 7:00 am (UUC)
- Women's Breakfast, Monday at 7:30 am (UUC)
- Sages 2:00 pm (UUC)
- Meditation, Tuesday at 5:00 ([Zoom](#))
- UUYA, Tuesday 7:00 - 10:00 pm (UUC)
- Conversations on our Faith, Wednesday at noon ([Zoom](#))
- Yoga, Wednesday at 5:30 (UUC)
- Women's Lunch, Friday at noon (UUC or a local restaurant)