

Order of Service
December 25, 2022

Blessed is the season which engages the whole world in a conspiracy of love.

~Hamilton Wright Mabie

Sounding the Bowl

Prelude

Greensleeves, Mannheim Steamroller

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.

Advent Wreath

Opening Words

Christmas Is Subversive, Kendyl R Gibbons

Opening Hymn

The 12 Days of Christmas, Straight No Chaser

Congregational Covenant

A Christmas Poem

The Moment of Magic, Victoria Stafford

Sharing our Gifts

½ Plate Recipient: Community Assistance Fund

Offertory

What Gift Can We Bring, Jane Marshall

Joys and Sorrows

Candles of Hope and Remembrance

Prayer/ Meditation Music

In the Dark of Winter, Shelley Jackson Denham

Closing Hymn

It's in Every One of Us, John Denver and the Muppets

Benediction

There is Only One thing Required of Us, Kendyl R Gibbons

Extinguishing the Chalice Flame

Postlude

I Heard the Bells on Christmas Day, Jared Gibbs

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.*

Minister: Rev. Pam Philips; Worship Associate: Victoria Taylor

Director of Lifespan Faith Development: Rachel Craine

Piano and Vocals: Jared and Natalie Gibbs; A/V Tech: Lucas Machi

Sanctuary Greeters: Lisa Evanylo, Karen Holstein, Molly Larson

Zoom Greeters: 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

- **Christmas Morning Breakfast, Sunday at 9:30 am (UUC)**
([RSVP](#) so we know how many are coming)
- Women's Breakfast, Monday at 7:30 am (UUC)
- Men's Breakfast, Monday at 7:00 am (UUC Grounds Picnic Area)
- Meditation, Tuesday at 5:00 ([Zoom](#))
- UU Young Adults, Tuesday at 7:00 (Elarth)
- Conversations on our Faith, Wednesday at noon ([Zoom](#))
- NO Yoga, Wednesday
- NO Choir, Wednesday
- Women's Lunch Bunch, Friday at 12:00 (Elarth)



Merry Christmas!