

## Order of Service

[January 22, 2023](#)

*"There is only one corner of the universe you can be certain of improving, and that's your own self."  
~Aldous Huxley*

### Sounding the Bowl

Prelude

*"Long Before Us" — Rachel Grimes*

### Welcome, Opportunities, & Today in Religious Education

Greeting One Another

Kindling the Flame of Community and Advent Candles

*We light this chalice for the warmth of welcome, the light of hope, and the fire of service.*

Opening Words

*All That You Need Lies Within You, Rev. Angela Herrera*

Opening Hymn

*#123 Spirit of Life*

Time for All Ages

*Dumbledore's Army*

Singing the Children to their Classes

*Reeb's Children Benediction*

UUC Covenant (next page)

Auction Announcement

Receiving the Offering

*½ Plate Recipient: Ronald McDonald House*

Offertory

*"Le chat noir" — Elena Kats-Chernin*

Sharing Our Joys & Sorrows

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

Candles of Hope and Remembrance

Meditation

Meditation Hymn

*Metta Meditation*

Reflection

*Spinning in Space, Earle Irwin*

Homily

*De-Centering Our Center*

Closing Hymn

*#345, With Joy We Claim the Growing Light*

Benediction and Extinguishing the Chalice Flame

Postlude

*"Piano Tower" — Elena Kats-Chernin*

Minister: Rev. Pam Philips; Worship Associate: Earle Irwin

Director of Lifespan Faith Development: Rachel Craine; LFD Volunteer: Deb Dickerson

Pianist: Jared Gibb; Chalice Lighters: Ella Byrd and Ally Dehoff

Song Leader: Wayne Neu; A/V Tech: Lucas Machi; Flowers: Gloria Heath

Sanctuary Greeters: Kimberley Homer, Rai Johnson, Heather Nicholson, Janet Sawyers, Rami Steinruck

Zoom Greeters: Suzi Hiatt, Gail Dutchess, 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**

- Tour of the Building, today after the service, by the candle table
- Men's Breakfast, Monday at 7:00 am (UUC)
- Women's Breakfast, Monday at 7:30 am (UUC)
- Meditation, Tuesday at 5:00 pm ([Zoom](#))
- UUYA's - UU Young Adults, Tuesday at 7:00 pm (Elarth)
- Shape Note Singing with Springhouse School, Tuesday at 7:00 pm (UUC Sanctuary)
- Conversations on our Faith, Wednesday at noon ([Zoom](#) only this week)
- Yoga, Wednesday at 5:30 pm (UUC)
- Choir, Wednesday at 7:00 pm (UUC)
- *Just Mercy* Community Conversation with Springhouse School and Christiansburg Institute, Wednesday at 7:00 pm (Elarth)
- Women's Lunch Bunch, Friday at 11:30 am (UUC/local restaurant, contact Cynthia Luke)
- Family Movie Night: Encanto, Friday at 6:30 pm (UUC)

# **UUC Auction**

## **Saturday, February 11**

Please let us know what you want to donate --  
events and items -- [here](#).

The success of our annual Fun-raiser depends on  
your participation.