

Order of Service

January 29, 2023

*"The earth kept her word. I was planted deep and rooted hard.
I was uprooted, replanted, and loved until I was healed and able to feel the small tug from soil
calling me down, demanding I grow again."*

~QuianaDenae Perkins

Sounding the Bowl

Prelude "Dragonfly Scherzo" by Anne Crosby Gaudet, *Caroline Gibbs, piano*

Welcome, Opportunities, & Today in Religious Education

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 "The Turning" by QuianaDenae Perkins

Opening Music "Homeward Bound" by Marta Keen
performed by UUC choir

Time for All Ages Who's in the picture?

Singing the Children to their Classes Reeb Children's Benediction

UUC Covenant (next page)

Receiving the Offering ½ Plate Recipient: *Radford-Fairlawn Daily Bread*

Offertory "La fille aux cheveux de lin" by Claude Debussy

Sharing Our Joys & Sorrows *submit your joy or sorrow to be read aloud [here](#)*

Candles of Hope and Remembrance

Meditation "Out of the box, into the circle" by Anna Tulou

Meditation Hymn "Earth My Body" chant, trad.

Reading "To affix the mezuzah" from [The Velveteen Rabbi](#) by Rabbi Rachel Barenblat

Homily "At the Intersection of All Creation" by Anna Tulou

Closing Hymn "The Color Purple" by Allee Willis, based on the novel by Alice Walker

Benediction and Extinguishing the Chalice Flame "The Turning" by QuianaDenae Perkins

Postlude "After the Rain" by John Coltrane

Minister: Rev. Pam Philips; Ministerial Intern: Anna Tulou; Worship Associate: Heather Nicholson

Director of Lifespan Faith Development: Rachel Craine; LFD Volunteer: Jane Mahone

Pianist: Jared Gibbs, Caroline Gibbs; Chalice Lighter: Olivia Cochran

Song Leader: Jennifer Thomas; A/V Tech: Lucas Machi; Flowers: Mary Ann Hansen

Sanctuary Greeters: Lisa Evanylo, Judy Furr, Karen Holstein, Crosby Houston

Zoom Greeters: Beth McClellan, 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

- 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](#))
- UUYAs - UU Young Adults, Tuesday at 7:00 pm (Elarth)
- Conversations on our Faith, Wednesday at noon ([Zoom](#) and library)
- Yoga, Wednesday at 5:30 pm (UUC)
- Choir, Wednesday at 7:00 pm (UUC)
- UUC Children's programming starting at 9:00 am (registration info below) (UUC)
- Women's Lunch, Friday at 11:30 am (UUC or local restaurant)
- Piecemakers, Saturday at 10 am (Elarth)
- UUC Community Service Team, Sunday at 11:30 am (library)

New Opportunities for Parents - sign up today!

February 3 is a teacher workday for MCPS. How would you like to leave your child(ren) at UUC for the morning? Or even the full day? We will have engaging UU programming from 9-11am, with the option for full day childcare. Interested? [Sign up here](#). **Please register by January 29 (today)** so we can plan accordingly.

