

**Order of Service**  
**September 14, 2025**

*"Imagine a circle of compassion and no one is standing outside of it."*

*~Father Gregory Boyle*

**Prelude**

*"This Land Is Your Land" — Woody Guthrie*

**Welcome & 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**

*Rev. David Breeden*

**Opening Hymn**

*#188 Come, Come, Whoever You Are Us*

**Time for All Ages**

*The Tale of the Two Villagers and the Woven Tapestry*

**Singing the Children to their Classes**

*Reeb's Children Benediction*

**Receiving the Offering**

*½ Plate Recipient: [Blacksburg Master Choral](#)*

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**Offertory**

*"Somewhere" — Leonard Bernstein & Stephen Sondheim*

**Accepting the Offering**

*#402, From You I Receive*

**Sharing Our Joys & Sorrows**

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

**Candles of Hope and Remembrance**

**Meditation**

**Meditation Hymn**

*May I Be Light*

**Reflection**

**Responsive Reading**

*Belonging, Rev. Dr. David Breeden*

**Sermon**

*Who Belongs*

**Closing Song**

*Draw the Circle Wide*

**Benediction and Extinguishing Chalice**

**Postlude**

*"Autumn Leaves" — Joseph Kosma & Johnny Mercer*

Minister: Rev. Pam Philips; Worship Associate: Denise Martin; Music Director: Jared Gibbs  
Director of Lifespan Faith Development: Rachel Craine; LFD Assistant: Jocelyn Hildenbrand  
Chalice Lighter: Patrick Quigley; Songleader: Jennifer Thomas; Flowers: Bonnie Moreno  
Sanctuary Greeters: Lisa Evanylo, Liz Craine, Patrick Feucht, Janet Sawyers, Robin Cooley  
Zoom Greeters: Vicki Mauer, Akiko Nakata, Bruce Turner

### **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**

- Second Sunday Potluck, Sunday after the service, bring a dish to share.
- Building Committee, Sunday at 12:00, (Room 6 downstairs)
- Men's Breakfast, Monday at 7:00 am & Women's Breakfast, Monday at 7:30 am (UUC)
- Sages, Tuesday at 2:00 pm (Library)
- Inspired Elders, Tuesday 3:00pm - 4:30pm (Room 3)
- Meditation, Tuesday at 5:00 pm ([Zoom](#))
- UUYA's - UU Young Adults, Tuesday at 7:00 pm (Elarth)
- Conversations on our Faith, Wednesday at noon ([Zoom](#))
- Grounds Meeting, Wednesday at 4:00 (Library)
- Yoga, Wednesday at 5:30 pm (Elarth)
- Writers Group, Thursday at 7:00 pm ([Zoom](#))
- Women's Lunch, Friday at noon (contact [Cynthia Luke](#))
- Parents Covenant Group, Friday at 5:30 (contact Rachel for information)
- Piecemakers, Saturday at 9:30 (library)
- Caring Network Meeting, NEXT Sunday at 11:15