

Order of Service for August 13, 2023

Cathi Fouchi, Worship Leader
Linda Ganske, Worship Associate
Director of Children's Faith Development Macey Forsyth, Storyteller
Deb Fitzloff, Greeter
Kat Clements, Tech Squad
Macey Forsyth and Deb Fitzloff, Children's Chapel
Sue Wiltgen and Nancy Blethen, Hospitality

Opening Music/Video: "Blue Boat Home"

Congregational Greeting

Welcome & Announcements

Bell Chime

Chalice Lighting:

If you are viewing through Zoom, please type into the Chat that a chalice is lit on [your street]:
We are a welcoming people of diverse beliefs who commit to nourish the spirit, broaden the mind, nurture the earth, and build community. May this flame we kindle remind us to strive, today and every day, to love beyond belief.

Hymn: #121 "We'll Build a Land" (gray hymnal)

Reading – "A Poem on Hope" Wendell Berry

Story for all Ages: *Greta and the Giants* by Zoë Tucker and Zoe Persico <https://youtu.be/Fv00jsBzsP4>

Singing the Youngers to CFD Activities: "Children's Benediction"

Meditation

Sorrows and Joys

Singing Prayer: "Comfort Me" To the tune of #1002 (teal hymnal)

Offering: Music: "Ancient" by Jess Huetteman
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=hgvuyJ3V8Ok&list=PL2vujJZVnQU-oKHJ1t97gkV5sjHW0iDIG&index=2>

Presentation: Green Sanctuary asks, how is thriving different than growth?
<https://youtu.be/Rhcrbcg8HBw>

Chalice Extinguishing

We extinguish this flame, but not the light of truth, the warmth of community, or the fire of commitment. These we carry in our hearts until we are together again.

Closing Words: #686 in Sing the Living Tradition; by Mark K Belletini

Singing Benediction: “Longtime Sun,” the final three minutes of “A Very Cellular Song” written by Mike Heron and performed by The Incredible String Band on their 1968 album The Hangman’s Beautiful Daughter. Sung by UUFM Choir and Congregation accompanied by Nancy Cramblit. May the longtime sun shine upon you/ All love surround you/And the pure pure light that’s within you/Guide your way home.

Zoom Break Out Rooms: A time for gathering to meet, talk, and connect. Please accept the invitation to join a room.

In-person Hospitality in the Fellowship Hall on the lower level.