## Order of Service July 14, 2024

## **Reporting Back from General Assembly**

Officiating: Rev. Diana McLean Worship Associate: Sue Chambers

Pianist: Shay MacKay

Storyteller: Director of Children's Faith Development Macey Forsyth

### **Prelude/Opening Slideshow**

#### **Welcome and Announcements**

## **Singing Bowl**

## **Chalice Lighting**

If you are viewing through Zoom, please type into the Chat that a chalice is lit on [your street], and join in saying these words:

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.

#### **Call to Worship**

"Love is the Center and Foundation" by Shari Woodbury

## Opening Hymn #361, "Enter, Rejoice, and Come In"

Words and music: Louise Ruspini

#### **Story**

Adapted from "The Power of JETPIG" by Kathy Underwood

Singing "Shared UU Values"

Words: from UUA Bylaws Article II

Music: Kate Gillis

## **Singing the Children Out**

#### **Joys and Sorrows**

## **Pastoral Prayer**

#### **Silent Meditation**

Singing Prayer: To the tune of #1002

Words and music: Mimi Bornstein-Doble (adapted)

#### Offertory

Reading from UUA Bylaws, Article 2

#### **Musical Interlude**

**Sermon: Reporting Back from General Assembly** 

# Hymn #131, "Love Will Guide Us"

Words: Sally Rogers

Music: Traditional, arranged by Betty A.Wylder

# **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. (Elizabeth Selle Jones)

#### **Benediction**

**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*.

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 participants:** Please feel free to stay online for a time of gathering to meet, talk, and connect. (If the group online is large enough, we will invite you to join breakout rooms for small group connection.)

**In-person participants:** Please stay for refreshments and conversation in the Fellowship Hall on the lower level following the worship service.