

One touch of nature makes the whole world kin.

--William Shakespeare (1564-1616), the Bard

Order of Service for February 13, 2022: World of Wonders

Rev. Rita Capezzi, Preaching

Cheiron McMahill, Worship Associate

Bob Finley and Jeff Lowry, Greeters

Deb Fitzloff, Zoom Host

Treselia Greiner and Todd Schweim, Tech Squad

We Gather and Invite

Opening Slideshow: To “Winter” from *The Four Seasons* (1723) by Antonio Vivaldi (1678-1741), an Italian Baroque composer, virtuoso violinist, teacher, impresario, and Roman Catholic priest <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=TZCfydWF48c> See the current Weekly Update for all the Fellowship News [February 9, 2022 Weekly Update \(mailchi.mp\)](#)

Greetings from the Whole Congregation (everyone on Zoom is invited to unmute)
Let’s all make a joyful noise!

Bell Chime

Call to Worship: “Co-regulation” by the Rev. Elizabeth Mount (they/them), serving the First Unitarian Universalist Church of Indiana (PA) <https://www.uua.org/worship/words/opening/co-regulation>

Welcome

Special Announcements

We Worship by Deepening and Shaping-Worth

Chalice Lighting: 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.

Reading: Excerpts from “Firefly” and “Firefly (Redux)” (2020) by Aimee Nezhukumatathil (1974-), an American poet and essayist of Philippine and Indian descent (her book *World of Wonders* is in our UUFM library)

Homily: World of Wonders

Music: “Somewhere Over the Rainbow/What a Wonderful Life” (1993) by Israel Kamakawiwo’ole (1959-1997), Hawaiian musician and activist <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=U-Ooxpz0Eqk>

Meditation/Prayer: “Prayer of Intercession” adapted from words by the Rev. Kimberly Knight, Minister of Digital Communication Extravagance UCC, a digital ministry of the United Church of Christ <https://www.patheos.com/blogs/kimberlyknight/2015/12/advent-reflection-in-a-time-of-terror-god-is-waiting-for-us/>

With Generosity, We Build Our Community Larger

Sorrows and Joys

Singing Prayer: To the tune of #1002 (teal hymnal) by Mimi Borstein. Sung and accompanied by

Jeff Lowry.

Singing the Children In--#361 "Enter, Rejoice, and Come In" (gray hymnal). Thanks to Danielle Stedman, Children's Chapel facilitator this morning.

Enter, rejoice, and come in (2x). Today will be a joyful day. Enter, rejoice, and come in.

Open your ears to the song (2x). Today will be a joyful day. Enter, rejoice, and come in.

Open your hearts everyone (2x). Today will be a joyful day. Enter, rejoice, and come in.

Annual Pledge Campaign Update and Stewardship Spotlight with Diane Langland

<https://flipgrid.com/2a58d74c>

Giving: With offertory #402 (gray hymnal) "From You I Receive" by Joseph and Nathan Segal (brothers and both rabbis who wrote and sang together in the 1960s-1980s; sung by white Unitarian Universalist minister the Rev. Kristin Grassel Schmidt. <https://youtu.be/k7a0Lei2OCA>

Story: *Wonder Walkers* (2021) by Micha Archer, a White author and illustrator of children's books working from Western Massachusetts. Read by Macey Forsyth, Director of Children's Faith Development <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=OwR3RqUHvWg>

Reflection: Wonder for the World

Hymn: #163 "For the Earth Forever Turning" (gray hymnal) by Kim Oler and arranged by Nick Page. Performed by Jess Huettman of the Bell Street Chapel UU in Providence, RI <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=dONvepkd9jo>

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.

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. Rev. Rita will be in the Main Room if you wish to speak with her later. In-person congregation may gather outside or tune into Zoom.