

Order of Service January 12, 2025

Our Story: Past, Present, Future

Minister: Rev. Diana McLean

Worship Associate: Diane Dobitz

Children's Faith Development Director: Macey Forsyth

Pianist: Nancy Cramblit

Worship Tech: Kat Clements

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

"Invoking the Past, Present, and Future" by Katie Romano Griffin

Hymn #1008, When Our Heart is in a Holy Place

Words and music: Joyce Poley

Story for All Ages

Mabel Teaches Finn About Healing

Written by Maggie Jones and illustrated by Brian Frink

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 “Remembering UUFM”

Written by Jane Foster

Hymn #155, Circle ‘Round for Freedom

Words and music: Linda Hirschhorn

Sermon: Our Story: Past, Present, Future

Hymn #145, As Tranquil Streams

Words: Marion Franklin Ham

Music: Georg Wittwe

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 refreshment in the Fellowship Hall on the lower level following the worship service.