

Order of Service August 10, 2025
FINDING CONFIDENCE—Resilience Lies Within

Worship Leader: Susan Stevens Chambers
Worship Associate: Linda Ganske
Children's Faith Development Director: Macey Forsyth
Pianist: Nancy Cramblit

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 from Greta Crosby of the UUA

Hymn # 73 Chant For the Seasons

Story for All Ages

The Hugging Tree, written by Jill Neimark, illustrated by Nicole Wong

Singing the Children Out

Joys and Sorrows

Pastoral Prayer by Rumi

Silent Meditation

Singing Prayer: To the tune of **#1002 Comfort Me**
Words and music: Mimi Bornstein-Doble (adapted)

Offertory

Reading (make a slide of poem Reading the Big Weather by William Stafford)

Hymn #352 Find A Stillness

Sermon: Finding Confidence—Resilience Lies Within Susan Stevens Chambers

Hymn # 168 One More Step

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 coffee and refreshments in the Fellowship Hall on the lower level following the worship service.