

## **Order of Service: August 17, 2025**

### **No Mud, No Lotus**

Speaker: Rev. Terri Burnor  
Director of Lifespan Faith Formation: Macey Forsyth  
Worship Associate: Diane Dobitz  
Pianist: Nancy Cramblit  
Tech Booth: Andy Roberts

### **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**

Reading from adrienne maree brown

### **Hymn # 67 We Sing Now Together**

Words: Edwin T. Buehrer  
Music: Adrian Valerius

### **Story**

The Book of Mistakes  
Written & illustrated by: Corina Luyken

### **Singing the Children Out**

### **Joys and Sorrows**

### **Pastoral Prayer**

### **Silent Meditation**

**Singing Prayer:** To the tune of #1002

(words and music by Mimi Bornstein-Doble, adapted)

## **Offertory**

### **Reading (Video)**

**“Compost” by Redwood Reider**

### **Sermon: No Mud, No Lotus**

### **Hymn # 163 Earth Forever Turning**

Words & Music: Kim Oler

### **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)

*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.