Order of Service: October 19, 2025

Title: Still I Rise

Speaker: Susan Stevens Chambers

Worship Associate: Molly Reinmann
Pianist: Jo Breckenridge
Sound Booth: Daniel Possin

Childcare Attendant: Linden Anthony

Story for all ages: Director of Lifespan Faith Formation, 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.

Land Acknowledgement

Call to Worship: a portion of the poem "Still I Rise" by Maya Angelou

Opening Hymn: #123 Spirit of Life (Sing it through 2 times)
Words and music: Carolyn McDade

Story: Dear Wild Child
Written by Wallace J. Nichols and Wallace Grayce Nichols, Illustrated by Drew Beckmeyer

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: *The Stress Solution: Using Empathy and Cognitive Behavioral Therapy to Reduce Anxiety and Develop Resilience*, by Arthur P. Ciaramicoli (New World Library, 2016)

Sermon: Susan Stevens Chambers STILL I RISE

Closing Hymn #346 Come Sing A Song With Me

Words and music: Carolyn McDade

Chalice Extinguising

> *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.*

Benediction

Singing Benediction: "May the Longtime Sun" *(sing through twice)*

> *May the Longtime Sun Shine Upon You*
> *All love surround you*
> *And the pure, pure light that's within you*
> *Guide your way home*

Postlude