

Order of Service: Sunday, March 15, 2026

Title: How we can be involved and support our community.

From our Shared UU Values “Equity. We declare that every person is inherently worthy and has the right to flourish with dignity, love and compassion. We covenant to use our time, wisdom, attention, and money to build and sustain fully accessible and inclusive communities.”

Our guest speaker, David Mesta from Copal and Immigrant Defense Network will be here to speak on how to continue our efforts to be involved as neighbors to all in our community, understanding the obstacles people face to live full quality of life as we welcome newcomers from other places and cultures, the strengths and vital contributions diversity and inclusion brings as well as the forever need to work for equity would be important messages that you can encourage and challenge us to grow in as individuals and as a religious community.

Worship Leader: Diane Dobitz

Guest Speaker: David Mesta - COPAL

Storyteller: Director of Lifespan Faith Formation, Macey Forsyth

Pianist: Nancy Cramblit

Sound Booth: Dan Possin

Childcare Attendant: Linden Anthony

Hospitality: Lee Ganske

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: Wisdom Tale Inspired by a story told by the Buddhist monk Thich Nhat Hanh

Opening Hymn: # 26 Gray Hymnal (Melody only) HOLY, HOLY, HOLY

Words adapted by Peter Mayer and music by John Bacchus Dykes

Story: <https://youtu.be/sYTv0yox6AQ?si=77s6wgNaS9pgUtig>

Dreamers - Yuyi Morales

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: Pianist's choice

Sermon: "How can we be involved and support our community?"

Benediction

The Art of Truly Noticing * Rev. Michelle Collins

Closing Hymn: #1017 Teal Hymnal "Building a New Way"

Words and music by Martha Sanderfer

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: "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: Pianist's choice