

Order of Service: May 17, 2026

“How It Got Made: Trusting the Creative Process”

Guest Speakers & Musicians: Larry McDonough & Richard Terrill

Worship Associate: Susan S. Chambers

Storyteller: Director of Lifespan Faith Formation, Macey Forsyth

Sound Booth: Dan Possin

Childcare Attendant: Linden Anthony

Children’s Chapel: Barb Franchino

Hospitality: Lee Ganske

Prelude/Opening Slideshow

Dolphin Dance ~ Herbie Hancock

Welcome

Land Acknowledgement

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.

Opening Hymn: # 38 (Gray Hymnal) “Morning Has Broken”

Words: Eleanor Farjeon Music: Gaelic melody by David Evans

Call to Worship: “Dandelion”

By Past US Poet Laureate, Ted Kooser

Story: The Curious Why

Words by: Angela DiTerlizzi and Art by: Lorena Alvarez Gomez

Singing the Children Out

May peace surround you.

May love surround you.

As you go, as you go, on your way. (3X)

Joys and Sorrows

Pastoral Prayer

Silent Meditation

Singing Prayer: To the tune of #1002

Words and music by Mimi Bornstein-Doble, adapted

Comfort me, share my joy.

Comfort me, Oh my soul. (2X)

Offertory

Ode to Joy by Beethoven, arr. McDonough

Sermon: "How It Got Made: Trusting the Creative Process"

Richard Terrill and Larry McDonough

Closing Hymn: Elie's Theme

Music by Larry McDonough, Based on 4 notes by Elie Gorman

Lyrics by Richard Terrill

From the Larry McDonough Quartet CD "Simple Gifts"

Benediction

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

Up Jumped Spring by Freddie Hubbard