

Soul Matters Monthly Theme: Flourishing Together

"People sometimes ask: Is Pride a protest or a party?

And the answer is: Of course. Yes."

-Hannah Roberts Villnave

Order of Service June 21st, 2026: The World Is Not Finished: Radical Queerness & The UU Tradition

Congregational Greeting

Bell Chime

Welcome and Announcements

Chalice Lighting: For those attending by Zoom, please type into the Chat that a chalice is lit on [your street]:

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 words: "To not carry this life alone" by Rev. Michelle Collins

Poem: "beacons" by Kimi Floyd Reisch

Hymn #21: "For the Beauty of the Earth" words by Folliott Sandford Pierpoint, music by Conrad Kocher

Story: *Stonewall: A Building. An Uprising. A Revolution.*, written by Rob Sanders, illustrated by Jamey Christoph

Sorrows and Joys

Singing Prayer: To the tune of #1002 (teal hymnal) by Mimi Borstein

Comfort me, share my joy/ Comfort me, Oh my soul. (2x)

Offertory

Homily and Meditation

Poem: "Statue of David with Top Surgery Scars" by Devin S. Turk

Prayer: Adapted from reflection by Rev Jake Morrill

Hymn #118 "This Little Light Mine" an African American spiritual hymn, harmony by Horace Clarence Boyer

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: "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 long time sun shine upon you/All love surround you

And the pure, pure light that's within you/ Guide your way home (2x)