

UUFM Monthly Theme: Peace is Patriotic

E-V-E-R-Y-T-H-I-N-G—is connected... Our work is intersectional and multifaceted. Nature teaches us that our work has to be nuanced and steadfast. And more than anything, that we need each other—at our highest natural glory—in order to get free.” – adrienne maree brown

Order of Service July 5th, 2026: Interdependence Day (Everything is Connected!)

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 from adrienne maree brown

Reading: Valarie Kaur, *See No Stranger: A Memoir & Manifesto of Revolutionary Love*

Hymn #167: “Nothing but Peace Is Enough” by Jim Scott

Story: *Little Land* by Diana Sudyka

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: “The Moment” by Margaret Atwood

Hymn #151: “I Wish I Knew How” by Billy Taylor and Dick Dallas

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)*