

January 1, 2023 – Order of Potpourri

The object of a New Year is not that we should have a new year. It is that we should have a new soul. —Gilbert K. Chesterton

An optimist stays up until midnight to see the new year in. A pessimist stays up to make sure the old year leaves. — William E. Vaughan

We celebrate 2023 not because it's a new year but because it's not a national election year. – Rick Kimball



GATHERING MUSIC Dale Churchill, Director of Music

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS Erica Bartlett

RINGING OF THE NEW YEAR'S BELL

CHALICE LIGHTING *Hopes and Spirits* Rick Kimball

COMMUNITY COVENANT All

We covenant today to make 2023 a year of hope, of growth, of commitment, of action, of acceptance, of understanding, and of love.

***OPENING HYMN** *The Ceaseless Flow of Endless Time* #350

CALL TO WORSHIP

SILENT AND SPOKEN JOYS AND SORROWS

MEDITATION

MUSICAL RESPONSE

CALL TO POTPOURRI

POTPOURRI *Part 1* Whoever

OFFERING AND MUSIC FOR REFLECTION

POTPOURRI *Part 2* You?

MEDITATIVE HYMN *Dark of Winter* #55

POTPOURRI *Part 3* Volunteer

***CLOSING HYMN** *Morning So Fair to See* #42

CLOSING WORDS

CLOSING MUSIC

**If you are in the sanctuary, please rise in body or spirit. If you are on Zoom, do what you like, but be aware that rising may cause the rest of us to see only your midsection.*

This service is presented by the A2U2 Worship Committee, with thanks to our tech team for making remote participation possible.

Large print orders of service and **assisted listening devices** are available from our ushers.

January's Share the Plate recipient is Furniture Friends, which since 2012 has passed donated furniture on to immigrants and others in need.

“We are a growing community that transforms lives through the power of love.”

MISSION: At Allen Avenue Unitarian Universalist Church, we are a growing community that transforms lives through the power of love. We celebrate diversity, encourage spiritual growth, and promote social responsibility as we travel with care on this earth. We empower our members to share their gifts to build a world of compassion, equality, and freedom.



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Happy



Year!

And Happy Potpourri!

A2U2 Worship Committee

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10 A.M.