

## 1 October 2023, 10am – Order of Worship

GATHERING MUSIC Dale Churchill, Dir. of Music

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS Katrina VanBrugh

RINGING THE CHIMES

CALL TO WORSHIP by Naima Penniman Rev. Tara Humphries

LIGHTING THE CHALICE & COMMUNITY CANDLE by Marta Valentín

\*OPENING HYMN # 34 Though I May Speak with Bravest Fire

TIME FOR ALL AGES “The Rules Make the Game” Laura Bogle

LAMPLIGHTER & RECESSIONAL  
*Carry the flame of peace and love until we meet again!*

JOYS & SORROWS

PRAYER Rev. Tara Humphries

MUSICAL INTERLUDE

OFFERTORY & MUSIC FOR REFLECTION Crystal Silence Chick Corea

READING “A Covenant Invites Relationship” by Lisa Ward  
Jim Mason & John Howard

ANTHEM Love is the Spirit of this Church Paul Ayres

SERMON Rev. Erica Baron

\*CLOSING HYMN # 131 Love will Guide Us

INVITATIONS

BENEDICTION & EXTINGUISHING THE CHALICE

*Our worship has ended **and our service begins.***

POSTLUDE La Fiesta Chick Corea

\*Please rise in body and/or in spirit

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**WORSHIP PARTICIPANTS** today include Rev. Tara, Dale Churchill, Rev. Erica Baron, Katrina VanBrugh, Emily C. Jones, Jim Mason, John Howard, Mike Luce, Sam Sherry and the A2U2 Choir. We are grateful for our tech & Zoom team, too, and all those working behind the scenes to make multi platform worship possible!

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October’s **SHARE THE PLATE** recipient is the **Maine UU State Advocacy Network**, a statewide advocacy and public policy network anchored in UU faith. Learn more at [www.muusan.org](http://www.muusan.org).

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**LARGE PRINT ORDERS OF SERVICE** and **ASSISTIVE LISTENING DEVICES** are available!

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Several of our members have severe **ALLERGIES**, so we ask folks to refrain from wearing perfumes or scented products when you come to church.

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### UPCOMING SERVICES

**Sunday, October 8th-** “The Gaia Theory” with the A2U2 Worship Committee

**Sunday, October 15th-** “Animal Blessings” with Rev. Tara Humphries  
*(an all-ages service!)*

*“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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**GREEN  
SANCTUARY  
CONGREGATION**



**“Bound Not by Creed but by Covenant”**

**Rev. Tara Humphries & Rev. Erica Baron**

*Sunday, October 1st, 2023 at 10am*