

## 17 September 2023, 10am – Order of Worship

GATHERING MUSIC Dale Churchill, Dir. of Music

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS Connie Cross

RINGING THE CHIMES

CALL TO WORSHIP Rev. Tara Humphries

LIGHTING THE CHALICE & COMMUNITY CANDLE by Leslie Takahashi

\*OPENING HYMN # 347 Gather the Spirit

BLESSING OF THE BACKPACKS Emily C. Jones, DRE

LAMPLIGHTER & RECESSIONAL

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

JOYS & SORROWS

PRAYER

MUSICAL INTERLUDE

OFFERTORY & MUSIC FOR REFLECTION Presto Giovanni Fescetti

STORY “The Answer is in Your Hands” Indian Folk Tale

ANTHEM Be The Change

SERMON “Puffling Season” Rev. Tara Humphries

\*CLOSING HYMN # 1020 Woyaya

BENEDICTION & EXTINGUISHING THE CHALICE by Ali KC Bell

*Our worship has ended and our service begins.*

POSTLUDE Days And Nights Waiting Keith Jarrett

\*Please rise in body and/or in spirit

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**WORSHIP PARTICIPANTS** today include Rev. Tara, Dale Churchill, Emily C. Jones, Connie Cross, Mike Luce 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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September’s **SHARE THE PLATE** recipient is **Greater Portland Family Promise**, who works to transform the lives of families experiencing homelessness. Learn more at [www.familypromise.org](http://www.familypromise.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, September 24th-** “Cultivating a Prophetic Imagination” with Rev. Tara

**Sunday, October 1st-** “Bound Not by Creed but by Covenant” with Rev. Tara & Rev. Erica Baron (*All-Church Covenant Workshop following worship!*)

*“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



**“Puffling Season”**

**Rev. Tara Humphries**

*Sunday 17 September 2023 at 10am*