

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

GATHERING MUSIC Dale Churchill, Dir. of Music

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS Erica Bartlett

RINGING THE CHIMES

CALL TO WORSHIP A Web of Holy Relationships Lyn Cox

LIGHTING THE CHALICE A Chalice Prayer Cate Sullivan

\*OPENING HYMN #387 The Earth, Water, Fire, Air

TIME FOR ALL AGES We are Water Protectors Carole Lindstrom

LAMPLIGHTER & RECESSIONAL

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

REFLECTION Gaia and the Golden Rule Mike Luce

JOYS & SORROWS

PRAYER Maureen Killoran

MUSICAL INTERLUDE

REFLECTION It Rick Kimball

OFFERTORY & MUSIC FOR REFLECTION

From the Partita in C minor J.S. Bach

READING A Universe of Possibilities Jill Tarter

READING Earth Mark Belletini

ANTHEM Adore Te Devote/For The Beauty Of The Earth 13th Century  
Chant Cliff Hardin (arr.)

REFLECTION Gaia and Climate Change Erica Bartlett

\*CLOSING HYMN #175 We Celebrate the Web of Life

BENEDICTION & EXTINGUISHING THE CHALICE Susan Karlson  
*Our worship has ended **and our service begins.***

POSTLUDE *For The Beauty Of The Earth (arr.)*

\*Please rise in body and/or in spirit

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**WORSHIP PARTICIPANTS** today include Dale Churchill, the A2U2 Worship Committee, 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

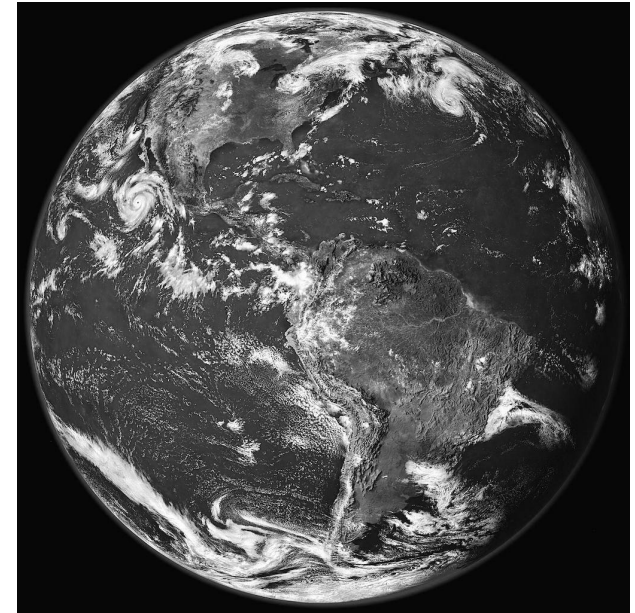
**Sunday, October 15th-** "Animal Blessings" with Rev. Tara  
*(an all-ages service!!)*

**Sunday, October 22nd-** "At One" with Rev. Tara

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**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.



## “The Gaia Theory”

**A2U2 Worship Committee**

*Sunday, October 8th 2023 at 10am*

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