

19 November 2023, 10am – Order of Worship

GATHERING MUSIC

Dale Churchill, Dir. of Music

1: HOSPITALITY

SINGING TOGETHER

WELCOME AND INVOCATION

Rev. Erika Hewitt

RINGING THE CHIMES

LIGHTING THE CHALICE

by Pat Uribe-Lichty

We come together with our tired minds and bodies,
with our confusion and questions, our uncertainties and our fears.
We come together with our hopes; our pasts; our passions and our faith.
We bring all of who we are, trusting that in gathering we will be renewed
And that together we can create the world we long for.

*OPENING HYMN #22, “Dear Weaver of Our Lives’ Design”

TIME FOR ALL AGES: “Sophia’s Guest” by Becky Brooks

LAMPLIGHTER & RECESSIONAL

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

2: HUNGER

READING from *The Five Longings* by David Richo

REFLECTING IN SILENCE

SUNG RESPONSE

words by Stephen Paulus / tune: Prospect

Tell me where is the road I can call my own, that I left, that I lost, so long ago?
All these years I have wandered, oh when will I know
There's a way, there's a road that will lead me home?

After wind, after rain, when the dark is done,
As I wake from a dream in the gold of day,
Through the air there's a calling from far away,
There's a voice I can hear that will lead me home.

JOYS & SORROWS

PRAYER

3: KNOWING HOW TO WAIT

MUSICAL INTERLUDE

READING: from *Lab Girl* by Hope Jahren

TOKENS OF HOPE

4: BLESSING

OFFERTORY & MUSIC FOR REFLECTION Crystal Silence, Chick Corea

READING: “Field at Table” by Rev. Nancy Shaffer in *Instructions in Joy*

SHARING THE BREAD

5: NOURISHMENT

ANTHEM Let Us Break Bread Together African American Spiritual
(arr. Wilson and Ehret)

*CLOSING HYMN #51, “Lady of the Seasons’ Laughter”

BENEDICTION & EXTINGUISHING THE CHALICE

POSTLUDE From the French Suite in E flat, J.S. Bach

ANNOUNCEMENTS

John Howard

*Please rise in body and/or in spirit

WORSHIP PARTICIPANTS: Mike Luce, flute

We are grateful for all those who work behind the scenes.

November’s **SHARE THE PLATE** recipient is **My Place Teen Center**, which provides a safe haven for youth through free, year-round after school programming in Westbrook. Learn more at <https://myplaceteencenter.org>.

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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.



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“There's a hunger beyond food that's expressed in food, and that's why feeding is always a kind of miracle.”
—Sara Miles, in *Take This Bread*



“Bread Sunday: Longings and Leavening”

Reverend Erika Hewitt

Sunday 19 November 2023 at 10am