

10 December 2023, 10am – Order of Worship

Fill out the slip of paper on rituals to be used later in the service!

GATHERING MUSIC Dale Churchill, Dir. of Music

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS Pam Jackson

RINGING THE CHIMES

CALL TO WORSHIP Rev. Tara Humphries

LIGHTING THE CHALICE & COMMUNITY CANDLE by DC Fortune

LIGHTING THE ADVENT WREATH HOPE | PEACE
Rev. Tara & Lynne Russell-Johnson

*OPENING HYMN # 223 Rock of Ages, Let our Song

TIME FOR ALL AGES The Hanukkah Story

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

JOYS & SORROWS | PRAYER

MUSICAL INTERLUDE

OFFERTORY & MUSIC FOR REFLECTION Light One Candle Peter Yarrow

REFLECTION “We Root Ourselves in Ritual” Rev. Tara Humphries

ANTHEM Nes Gadol Haya Sham
Traditional Yiddish Folk Song (arranged)

REFLECTIONS ON RITUAL FROM THE GATHERED COMMUNITY

*CLOSING HYMN # 226 People Look East

BENEDICTION & EXTINGUISHING THE CHALICE

POSTLUDE Come, Come, Whoever You Are Lynn Adair Ungar
*Please rise in body and/or in spirit

This month’s **LITURGY, and COVER ART** come from the creative team at A Sanctified Art LLC (sanctifiedart.org) with writing by Rev. Sarah Speed, used with permission.

WORSHIP PARTICIPANTS today include Rev. Tara, Dale Churchill, Pam Jackson, Lynne Russell-Johnson, Ryan Berse, 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!

December’s **SHARE THE PLATE** recipient is the **A2U2 Minister’s Discretionary Fund**, which provides confidential emergency financial assistance to church members and friends. Reach out to Rev. Tara to learn more and to access the fund.

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

UPCOMING SERVICES

December’s Theme: How Does a Weary World Rejoice?

Sunday, December 17th- “We Allow Ourselves to be Amazed” with Rev. Tara Humphries

Sunday, December 24th (10am)- “We Follow the Star” *all-ages service!*

Sunday, December 24th (5pm)- *Candlelight Christmas Eve Service, “We Make Room”* with Rev. Tara Humphries

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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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“We Root Ourselves in Ritual”
Fourth Night of Hanukkah
Second Sunday of Advent

Rev. Tara Humphries
Sunday 10 December 2023 at 10am