

4 February 2024, 10am – Order of Worship

GATHERING MUSIC Dale Churchill, Dir. of Music

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS Pauli Juneau

RINGING THE CHIMES

CALL TO WORSHIP Rev. Tara Humphries

LIGHTING THE CHALICE & COMMUNITY CANDLE Cynthia Landrum

*OPENING HYMN # 52 In Sweet Fields of Autumn

TIME FOR ALL AGES *Bridge of Flowers*
written by Leah Lakshmi Piepzna-Samarasinha, read by Rev. Dr. Sofia Betancourt

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

JOYS & SORROWS PRAYER by Deb Weiner Rev. Tara Humphries

MUSICAL INTERLUDE

INVITATION TO GENEROSITY

OFFERTORY Blue Bossa Kenny Dorham

MEDITATION “Waiting to Grow Again” by Jennifer Johnson Patricia Ellen

ANTHEM I am a Seed of Peace Amgad Naguib and James Durst

REFLECTION “They Didn’t Know We Were Seeds” Rev. Tara Humphries

*RITUAL OF BURYING

*CLOSING HYMN # 130 O Liberating Rose

BENEDICTION & EXTINGUISHING THE CHALICE by Norman Naylor
*Our worship has ended **and our service begins.***

POSTLUDE Memories of Tomorrow Keith Jarrett

*Please rise in body and/or in spirit

WORSHIP PARTICIPANTS today include Rev. Tara, Dale Churchill, Pauli Juneau, Patricia Ellen, 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!

February’s **SHARE THE PLATE** recipient is **ReWild Maine**, whose mission is to deepen the connections between people, each other and the Earth through land stewardship, education and community. Learn more at rewildmaine.org.

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

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

UPCOMING SERVICES

Sunday, February 11- “Our Holy GPS” with Rev. Tara Humphries & Emily C. Jones (*an all-ages service!*)

Sunday, February 25- “Faith, Doubt, and Thomas” with Rev. Tara Humphries

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through the power of love.”*

MISSION: At Allen Avenue Unitarian Universalist Church, we are growing a 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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“They Didn’t Know We Were Seeds”

Imbolc

Rev. Tara Humphries

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