INGATHERING *Heleluyan (Alleluia)* Traditional Creek Indian chant, performed by the UU Peterborough Recorder Ensemble (Joy Flemming, David Flemming and Lucinda Ellert)

WELCOME Mary Vallier-Kaplan, PUUC Governing Board

LAND ACKNOWLEDGMENT John Richards for our Social Justice Committee

PRELUDE Before the Sunrise, Charles Wakefield Cadman

CHALICE LIGHTING Miriam Dunn with words by Jane Hirshfield

CALL TO WORSHIP Rev. Lane Fisher with words by Laura Bogle

*SINGING HYMN #1069 Ancient Mother, traditional Navajo prayer

Ancient Mother, I hear you calling. Ancient Mother, I hear your song. Ancient Mother, I feel your laughter. Ancient Mother, I taste your tears.

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH by James Vila Blake, adapted

Love is the spirit of this congregation, and service is its call. This is our great covenant: To dwell together in peace, To seek the truth in love, And to help one another.

OFFERING

OFFERTORY "Indian" from American Suite, Charles Wakefield Cadman, performed by Transcendent Wind Consort (David Flemming, flute; Mary Seaver, clarinet; Joy Flemming, bassoon; Daniel Walker, trombone; Lucinda Ellert, piano)

OUTDOOR MEDITATION

SINGING HYMN #1070 Mother I Feel You, Windsong Dianne Martin

READING from *Braiding Sweetgrass: Indigenous Wisdom, Scientific Knowledge, and the Teachings of Plants* by Robin Wall Kimmerer

SERMON "The Giveaway" by Rev. Lane

JOYS AND SORROWS

SILENT MEDITATION

PASTORAL PRAYER by Jude Geiger

*MUSICAL RESPONSE Spirit of Life by Carolyn McDade

Spirit of Life, come unto me. Sing in my heart all the stirrings of compassion Blow in the wind; rise in the sea; Move in the hand, giving life the shape of justice Roots hold me close; wings set me free; Spirit of Life, come to me, come to me.

EXTINGUISHING THE CHALICE words by Rev. Lane

POSTLUDE For the Beauty of the Earth, Conrad Kocher, arr. John Purifoy

*Please rise in body or in spirit

We are grateful to the volunteers who made this service possible: our welcoming board member, Mary Vallier-Kaplan; worship associate, Miriam Dunn; greeter, Rick Miller; ushers, Sophia Rallis and Julia Lennon; and all of our special musicians this morning. Thank you also to Sarah Dengler and Mark Beal for bringing flowers. Bless you all! We nurture a loving, inclusive, spiritual community embracing all ages;

We witness for our liberal Unitarian Universalist faith with compassion and generosity;

We serve and inspire the local and global community through social action and the arts.

As a certified Welcoming Congregation, we offer a religious home for people of all gender identities and sexual orientations.

As a certified Green Sanctuary, we seek to minimize our impact on the earth in our purchases, practices, energy use, and recycling.



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October 9, 2022

The Giveaway

Worship Leader: Rev. Lane Fisher Worship Associate: Miriam Dunn Music Director: Lucinda Ellert