Hearing-assistance headsets and large-print hymnals and orders of service are available at the back of the sanctuary.

#### INGATHERING

Longing (George Winston)

### WELCOME

Anna Aasgaard, PUUC Governing Board

#### PRELUDE

From a Distance (Julie Gold)

#### CHALICE LIGHTING

(Christine Robinson) Claudia Dery

#### CALL TO WORSHIP

(Jacob Trap) Merry Stockwell

## \*SINGING HYMN #301

Touch the Earth, Reach the Sky (Grace Lewis-McLaren)

# AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

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

## JOYS AND SORROWS

MOMENT OF SILENCE
MUSICAL RESPONSE #123

Spirit of Life (Carolyn McDade)

#### TIME FOR ALL AGES

## CANDLE FOR SOCIAL JUSTICE

#### OFFERING

#### OFFERTORY

Sweet Radiant Mystery (Catherine Dalton) Sung by Peggy Brown, Joy Flemming, Marybeth Hallinan, Todd Hermann

#### SERMON

A Gardener's Journey (Merry Stockwell)

## \*SINGING HYMN #203

All Creatures of the Earth and Sky (words, St Francis of Assisi; music, Ausserlesene Catholische Kirchengesang; adapted, Ralph Vaughn Williams)

### BENEDICTION

## EXTINGUISHING THE CHALICE

(Elizabeth Selle Jones)

## POSTUDE

The Garden Song (Dave Mallett)

It takes a flock of volunteers to create worship each week: our tech team, a board member, a worship assistant, ushers, greeters, childcare volunteers, and hospitality providers and servers. A huge thank you to those who supported our gathering today.

## **PUUC Mission Statement**

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.

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# PETERBOROUGH UNITARIAN UNIVERSALIST CHURCH



SUNDAY SERVICE MARCH 16, 2025

A GARDENER'S JOURNEY

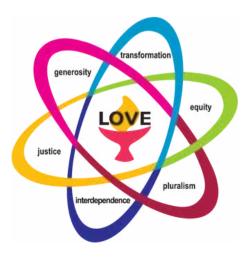
WORSHIP LEADER
MERRY STOCKWELL

WORSHIP ASSISTANT CLAUDIA DERY

MUSIC DIRECTOR
MARYBETH HALLINAN

Love is at the center of Unitarian Universalism's shared values:

- Interdependence: We honor the interdependent web of all existence and acknowledge our place in it.
- Pluralism: We are all sacred beings, diverse in culture, experience, and theology.
- Justice: We work to be diverse, multicultural,
   Beloved Communities where all feel welcome and can thrive.
- Transformation: We adapt to the changing world.
- Generosity: We cultivate a spirit of gratitude and hope.
- Equity: We declare that every person is inherently worthy and has the right to flourish with dignity, love, and compassion.



Today's flowers are given by Marsha and Ed Morrow in memory of family members lost.

The sunflowers on our altar each week remind us to hold the people of Ukraine--and all who suffer the violence of war--in our caring, our hopes, and our prayers.



## PUUC CALENDAR THIS WEEK

## Today, March 16

11:30 am, Social Justice, RE wing 12:30 pm, UU & U, RE wing

# Tuesday, March 18

6:00 pm, Governing Board, RE wing

# Wednesday, March 19

3:30 pm, Caregivers group, parish hall stage5:30 pm, Community Supper, dining room

# Thursday, March 20

4:00 pm, Property committee, on Zoom

# Friday, March 21

9:00 am, Family Ministry Think Tank, RE wing

# Sunday, March 23

10:15 am, Sunday service, sanctuary 12:30 pm, UU and U class, parish hall stage