

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

INGATHERING

Simple Gifts (Story)

WELCOME

Rhonda Barkley, PUUC Governing Board

PRELUDE

Hope is a Song (Hallinan)

CALL TO WORSHIP

Barbara Harlow

CHALICE LIGHTING

OPENING WORDS

(Rev. Kathleen McTigue)

*** SINGING HYMN #389**

Gathered Here (Porter)

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. (James Vila Blake, adapted)

TIME FOR ALL AGES

"The Way to Start a Day" (Byrd Baylor and Peter Parnell)

CANDLE FOR SOCIAL JUSTICE

JOYS AND CONCERNS

PASTORAL PRAYER

MUSICAL RESPONSE #123

Spirit of Life (Carolyn McDade)

OFFERING

OFFERTORY

We Are (Barnwell)

READINGS

Eternal Echoes, Celtic Reflections on our Yearning to
Belong" (John O'Donahue)

*** SINGING HYMN #1008**

When Our Heart is in a Holy Place (Joyce Poley, arr. Lorne Kellet)

SERMON

"The Ways We Pray" Barbara Harlow & Claudia Dery

*** SINGING HYMN #208**

Every Time I Feel the Spirit (arr. William Farley Smith)

EXTINGUISHING THE CHALICE

We extinguish this flame
But not the light of truth,
The warmth of community,
Or the fire of commitment.
These we carry in our hearts
Until we are together again.

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

Simple Gifts (Story)

*You are invited to rise

It takes many volunteers to create worship: our faithful tech team, a board member, a worship assistant, ushers, greeters, childcare volunteers, givers of flowers, and hospitality providers and servers. Thank you all!

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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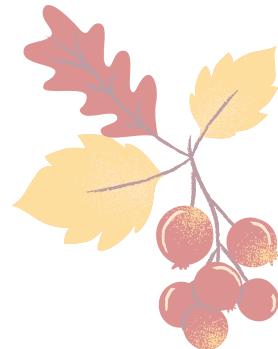
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PETERBOROUGH UNITARIAN UNIVERSALIST CHURCH



SUNDAY SERVICE
DECEMBER 1, 2024

THE WAYS WE PRAY

WORSHIP LEADERS
CLAUDIA DERY AND
BARBARA HARLOW

MUSIC DIRECTOR
MARYBETH HALLINAN

Masks are optional and are available from the ushers. If you have respiratory symptoms, please join us by Zoom.

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

Monday, December 2

6:00 pm, Solstice Choir, parish hall

Tuesday, December 3

9:30 am, CoSM, off site

12:30 pm, Worship committee, Carll house

7:00 pm, OWL, RE Wing

Thursday, December 5

2:30 pm, Handbells rehearsal, parish hall

3:00 pm, The Third Act, parish hall stage

Saturday, December 7

4:00 pm, Messiah Festival, sanctuary

Sunday, December 8

10:15 am, Sunday service, sanctuary

11:30 am, Covenant discussion, parish hall

12:00 pm, Soul Matters, RE Wing

MISSION STATEMENT

The mission of the Peterborough Unitarian Universalist Church is to nurture a loving, inclusive, spiritual community where all ages celebrate together. With compassion and generosity, we witness for our liberal Unitarian Universalist faith, and we serve and inspire the local and global community through social action and the arts.

**WE, THE MEMBER CONGREGATIONS OF THE
UNITARIAN UNIVERSALIST ASSOCIATION,
COVENANT TO AFFIRM AND PROMOTE:**

The inherent worth and dignity of every person;

Justice, equity, and compassion in
human relations;

Acceptance of one another and encouragement to
spiritual growth in our congregations;

A free and responsible search for
truth and meaning;

The right of conscience and the use of the
democratic process within our congregations
and in society at large;

The goal of world community with peace, liberty and
justice for all;

Respect for the interdependent web of all existence
of which we are a part.