

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

*** Please join in singing the words in bold type.**

WELCOME

Rev. Lane Fisher

INTRODUCTION

*Round and Round (Author Unknown)

**Round and round the Earth is turning,
Turning always round 'til morning
And from morning round to night.**

BEFOREHAND

Keep the Fire (B.J. Brown)

A CIRCLE IS CAST

*We are a Circle (Rick Hamouris)

CHORUS (2x)

**We are a circle, within a circle,
With no beginning, and never ending.**

INVOCATION

Benedicta Es (Words and Music Chris Carol, arr. Susan Schleef)

INTO THE DARKNESS

Winter Solstice Chant (words, Anne Bearheart; arr. Julie Middleton)

Though My Soul (F.J. Haydn)

Wings (Suzanne Sterling)

Silent Meditation

THE LIGHT RETURNS

Deep in the Dark (Anna Ophidia Alekner)

Kore Evohe (John Schrag; based on chant by Sabina C. Becker)

SPREADING THE LIGHT

Silent Meditation

*Imani (Rachael A. K. Hazen)

**Imani, faith, can come like a spirit,
Spirit come like walking on air.
Take a step and trust in the path and
Mother Imani meet you there.**

* We've Got the Power (Traditional, South Africa)

**We've got the power, alleluia!
We've got the power, alleluia!**

BENEDICTION & CLOSING

Carry it Home (Betsy Rose)

Silent Meditation

Let the Spirit Come to You (Anodea Judith)

RECESSIONAL

When We are Gone (Starhawk and Anne Hill)

*OFFERINGS toward the work of this church will be
accepted at the exits at the close of this service.*

*You are invited to rise

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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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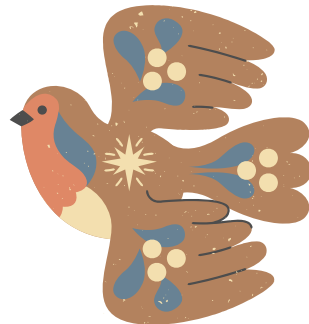
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SUNDAY SERVICE
DECEMBER 22, 2024

A SOLSTICE SINGING RITUAL

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It takes many volunteers to create worship: choir and community singers, our trusty tech team, ushers, greeters, childcare volunteers, and hospitality providers and servers. Let us all thank those who have made our gathering possible today!

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

Tuesday, December 24

4:30 pm, Christmas Eve service, sanctuary

Friday, December 27

6:30 pm, Music Soiree, parish hall

Sunday, December 29

10:15 am, Sunday service, sanctuary