PUUC asks us all to limit our use of scented products as much as possible and to refrain from using perfumes and colognes.

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

INGATHERING
Dreamgift (Spencer Brewer)

WELCOME
Mary Vallier-Kaplan

PRELUDE
Largo from Xerxes (G. F. Händel) Tony Brinsdon and Marybeth Hallinan

CHALICE LIGHTING
Spilling the Light, excerpt (Julián Jamaica Soto) Bert Johnson

CANDLE FOR SOCIAL JUSTICE
Sara Hardy-Baloun

TIME FOR ALL AGES

CALL TO WORSHIP
"Vocabulary Lesson" (Sean Parker Dennison in *Breaking and Blessing*) Rev. Lane

***SINGING #368**
Now Let Us Sing (source unknown)

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH
(James Vila Blake, adapted)

JOYS AND SORROWS
MUSICAL RESPONSE #123
Spirit of Life (Carolyn McDade)

OFFERING
OFFERTORY
How Could Anyone (Libby Roderick)

READING OF THE NAMES
Transgender Day of Remembrance

PRAYER
(Sunshine Jeremiah Wolfe)

***SINGING**
Down in the River to Pray (African American spiritual, adapted) see insert

SERMON
Beyond the Binary

***SINGING #1014**
Answering the Call of Love (Jason Shelton)

BENEDICTION
Yes, There's No Binary (David Breeden)

EXTINGUISHING THE CHALICE

POSTLUDE
March (B. Yarnold; arr. E. Power Briggs)

Our congregation acknowledges that we meet on the ancestral lands of the western Abenaki. We honor their elders past, present, and future and seek wisdom to guide us in healing harm to Indigenous peoples.

*Please rise in body or spirit

In addition to "the usual suspects" who support worship every week, this morning let us thank those who read names--may their loved ones be well and safe--and also the Chancel Aesthetics Team, for lovingly cleaning and hanging historic handwork by PUUC women of blessed memory.

Covenant of the Peterborough Unitarian Universalist Congregation

As Unitarian Universalists, we embrace covenant as our foundation and love as our guiding principle. We strive to:

- Welcome, include, and appreciate a diversity of people and ideas
- Listen respectfully, speak honestly and directly, and assume good intentions
- Make decisions and take actions that promote justice and equity
- Support our community through generosity, service, and compassion
- Nurture our spiritual connections to nature and the sacred

When we fall short of our aspirations, we will accept feedback and work to heal harm. We will practice forgiveness and welcome it.

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BEYOND THE BINARY

WORSHIP LEADER
REV. LANE FISHER
(SHE/HER)

WORSHIP ASSOCIATE
BERT JOHNSON
(HE/HIM)

MUSIC DIRECTOR
MARYBETH HALLINAN
(SHE/HER)

The flowers today are given by Mary Vallier-Kaplan to remember and honor the people of Ukraine.

Holiday Stroll

Gift Table

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For the gift table, we need donated handmade or boutique-quality items that you no longer need or want. All items should be new or nearly new, clean, with no stains, in working condition.and

Here are recommendations for what tends to be popular:
- Holiday-themed items (Thanksgiving, Christmas, winter season)
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- Jewelry and watches (must work)
- New items in unopened boxes
- Small Kitchen items, especially those that are dishwasher-safe
- Washable theme-related tablecloths and placemats
- Small frames with glass & backing. No large pictures, posters or frames.
- Arts and craft supplies/kits
- Decorative planters/ flower pots (must be clean)
- Decorative storage boxes or containers
- Small furnishings such as lamps
- Unused candles and/or candle holders
- Games and puzzles

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You can deposit your items in the drop-off box located in the foyer of Carll House. Please put your name with donation, so that if we run out of space or items do not sell we are able to contact you. Year-round storage in the building is very limited. Please contact Linda Scerbinski if you have questions (603-562-7461)

Down in the River to Pray – African-American Spiritual

As I went down in the river to pray
Studying about that good old way
And who shall wear the starry crown
Good Lord, show me the way!

O siblings let's go down
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O siblings let's go down
Down in the river to pray

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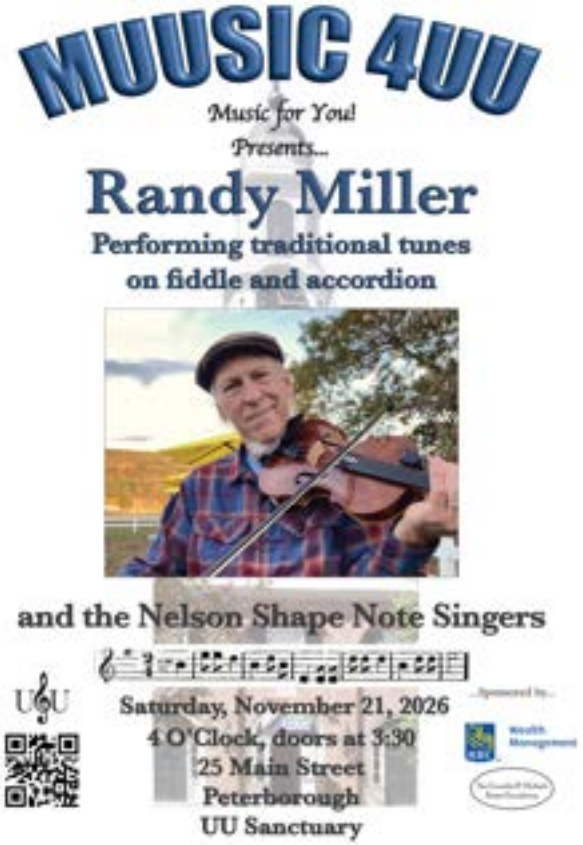

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