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

INGATHERING Sandpainting for Piano No. 1 White Shell (Connor Chee)

**WELCOME** Rhonda Barkley, PUUC Governing Board

**PRELUDE** Sacred Circle (Heather Pierson)

# CHALICE LIGHTING

CALL TO WORSHIP (Katie Kandarian-Morris, adapted) ONE: Here we have come into this sacred spacequieter now with our readiness Hushed voices, hoping, trusting for so many things: [Silence for Reflection] ONE: For connection, for communion For inspiration, for information ALL: For healing, for wholeness, For words, for music, For celebration and consolation, Here we have come into this space bringing all of who we are ONE: Let us be willing... however we are changed. Come, let us worship together. \*SINGING HYMN 287

Faith of the Larger Liberty (words, Vincent B. Silliman)

## 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)

#### CANDLE FOR SOCIAL JUSTICE

OFFERING OFFERTORY Even Now (Jason Shelton)

JOYS AND SORROWS MOMENT OF SILENCE

**READING I** Excerpt from "Disturbing the Peace" (Vaclav Havel)

**READING 11** "What's the Difference Between Optimism and Hope?" (Utpal M. Dholakia, from Psychology Today Blog)

**SERMON** Alleluiah Anyhow (Rev. Shayna Appel)

\* **SINGING HYMN #1028** The Fire of Commitment (words, Mary Morn; music, Jason Shelton)

# EXTINGUISHING THE CHALICE

#### BENEDICTION

**POSTLUDE** Rooted in Love (Marybeth Hallinan)

\*You are invited to rise

Let us all thank those who have made our gathering possible 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 OCTOBER 13, 2024

# ALLELUIAH ANYHOW: THE SPIRIT'S WORK OF DEEPENING RESILIENCY

WORSHIP LEADER REV. SHAYNA APPEL

WORSHIP ASSISTANT CLAUDIA DERY

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.

Today's flowers are given by Phil Jones and dedicated to all the grandchildren: yours, mine, and everyone else's everywhere. Each child is someone's grandchild.



### PUUC CALENDAR THIS WEEK

**Tuesday, October 15** 12:30 pm, Worship Committee, Carll House 6:00 pm, Governing Board, RE wing

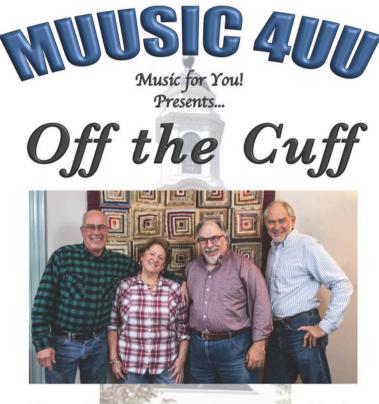
#### Wednesday, October 16

3:30 pm, Caregivers Group, Parish hall stage5:30 pm, Community supper, dining room6:00 pm, OWL, RE wing

T**hursday, October 17** 4:00 pm, Property Committee, on Zoom

**Saturday, October 19** 4:00 pm, MUUSIC 4UU, sanctuary

## Sunday, October 20 10:15 am, Sunday service, sanctuary 12:00 pm, CoSM congregational meeting, dining room



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