

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

INGATHERING

Tempo di Menuetto Op 49, No 2 (Beethoven)

WELCOME

John Saywell, PUUC Governing Board

PRELUDE

Christofori's Dream (Lanz) Marybeth Hallinan

CHALICE LIGHTING

(Rev. Lane) Stewart Harris

*** SINGING HYMN #362**

Rise Up, O Flame (source of words unknown; Christoph Praetorius, melody)

CALL TO WORSHIP

Rev. Lane

*** SINGING HYMN #38**

Morning Has Broken (Eleanor Farjeon, words; Gaelic melody)

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

Deep Listening (Scholl)

JOYS AND SORROWS

MOMENT OF SILENCE

MUSICAL RESPONSE #123

Spirit of Life (Carolyn McDade)

READING

Our Mission (Peterborough UU Church)

*** SINGING HYMN #86**

Blessed Spirit of My Life (Shelley Jackson Denham)

SERMON

Focus (Rev. Lane)

*** SINGING HYMN #131**

Love Will Guide Us (Sally Rogers, words; traditional melody
arr. Betty A Wylder)

BENEDICTION

EXTINGUISHING THE CHALICE

POSTLUDE

Though I May Speak with Bravest Fire (Hal Hopson, words;
traditional English melody adapt. Hopson)

*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! Rev. Lane

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
SEPTEMBER 15, 2024

FOCUS

WORSHIP LEADER
REV. LANE FISHER

WORSHIP ASSISTANT
STEWART HARRIS

MUSIC DIRECTOR
MARYBETH HALLINAN

Masks are optional and are available from the ushers.

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 from the garden of Emily Noelle Lambert & Nicolas Papoin in celebration of all those who work in the arts and arts education.



P U U C C A L E N D A R T H I S W E E K

Monday, September 16

10:30 am, Membership Committee, Carll House

Tuesday, September 17

11:30 am, Worship Committee, Carll House

6:00 pm, Governing Board, RE wing

Wednesday, September 18

3:30 pm, Caregivers Group, parish hall

5:30 pm, Community supper, dining room

Thursday, September 19

4:00 pm, Property Committee on Zoom

Sunday, September 22

10:15 am, Sunday service, sanctuary

11:30 am, Potluck, parish hall

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.

THE LIVING TRADITION DRAWS FROM MANY SOURCES:

Direct experience of that transcending mystery and wonder, affirmed in all cultures, which moves us to a renewal of the spirit and an openness to the forces that create and uphold life;

Words and deeds of prophetic women and men which challenge us to confront powers and structures of evil with justice, compassion, and the transforming power of love;

Wisdom from the world's religions which inspires us in our ethical and spiritual life;

Jewish and Christian teachings which call us to respond to God's love by loving our neighbors as ourselves;

Humanist teachings which counsel us to heed the guidance of reason and the results of science, and warn us against idolatries of the mind and spirit.

Spiritual teachings of earth-centered traditions which celebrate the sacred circle of life and instruct us to live in harmony with the rhythms of nature.

Grateful for the religious pluralism which enriches and ennobles our faith, we are inspired to deepen our understanding and expand our vision. As free congregations, we enter into this covenant, promising to one another our mutual trust and support.

MUSIC 4UU

Music for You!
Presents...

Wendy Keith and Friends



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September 21: Wendy Keith

Award Winning Singer Songwriter with Monadnock roots going all the way back to the Folkway. "Sounds like an angel!" What a Voice!

October 19: Off The Cuff

Songs from the crossroads of American Music; where bluegrass meets swing, jazz meets blues, and folk, rock and country are pals!

November 16: Piano Extravaganza

Tony Brinsdon - Beethoven Sonata Op. 10 No. 3

Marybeth Hallinan - Original music

Virginia Eskin - Classical and Ragtime favorites

December 14: Bells and Brass

Ring in the holiday spirit with Ringers on the Square (Keene UCC) and Music 4UU Celestial Brass. Plus sing-a-long Christmas Carols

Saturdays at 4 O'Clock

Doors open at 3:30

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