

Order of Service 8/23/26
Monthly Theme: Meet the Moment
A Call to Social Justice

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GATHERING

Morning Sing

Draw the Circle Wide; Words and Music: Gordon Light, Arr.: M Koebsch

Spirit of Life #123; Words and Music by Carolyn McDadb

Oh, Let Us Gather; Words and Music by RevAmy Carol Webb

Welcome

Prelude Three Little Birds; by Bob Marley

Welcome Cont.

Call to Worship Be the Wave by Rev Nancy McDonald Ladd

Opening Music How Could Anyone? Words and Music: Libby Roderick

Chalice Lighting The Sacred Power of Justice by Jami Yandle

We light this flame

To ignite the sacred power of justice.

We light this flame

So that it may be a beacon of hope

In moments of uncertainty, fear, anxiety, and the unknown.

We light this flame, and are emboldened by its blaze,

Knowing our strength as a prophetic and powerful people

Is rooted in the diverse ways we answer the call to love.

CONNECTING

Covenant

English:

Love is the spirit of this congregation and service is its law.

This is our great covenant: to dwell together in peace,

to seek the truth in love, and to help one another.

Spanish:

El Amor es el espíritu de esta congregación

y el servicio su ley principal. Esta es nuestra gran promesa:

vivir juntos en paz, buscar la verdad a través del amor,

y ayudarnos mutuamente.

Wisdom Story I am We: The Book of Community by Susan Verde, art by Peter H Reynolds

Singing the Children to Classes

Offering/Offertory

Offertory Music Love Will Guide Us #131; Words: Sally Rogers, Music: Traditional

DEEPENING

A Litany of With-ness

Originally by Phillip Lund, adapted by River Justice Seekers

Deepening Music I am Willing by Holly Near

Candles of Community

Stones of Reflection

Pastoral Response

Messages

Susan Skach-Bejarano What can I do? (Chili is Resistance)

Leana Bresnahan: We Are One | Theo Lucas: Love and Disagreement

SENDING

Closing Music Lift Every Voice and Sing #149; Words: James Weldon Johnson, Music: J Rosamund Johnson

Extinguishing the Chalice Let Us Be that Circle by Craig Rowland

Closing Words UUs for Justice

Announcements

Invite to Hospitality

Shine On / Music Reprise