



December 3, 2023

Please note that the order of service is subject to change at the leading of the (S)pirit ▲ Means you are invited to stand in spirit or body.

Prelude

Greetings + Announcements

Welcome

Story for All Ages

"Sulwe"

By Lupita Nyong'o Illustrated by Vashti Harrison

Recessional

"Blessing"

words: Laila Ibrahim/Rumi, music: Laurel Liefert (Oakland UU)

It's a blessing you were born and it matters what you do What you know about god is a piece of the truth Let the beauty you love be what you do And you don't have to do it alone

Chalice Lighting	"Our Lives Intersect and Intertwine"	Rev. Alex
	By Tania Márquez	

It is a wonder and mystery that our paths have crossed; That in the immensity of time, in the vastness of space, we coincide here. I am in awe at the ways in which our lives intersect and intertwine, at the beauty we create when we gather. May our coming together make us more compassionate, more just, more caring, and more loving. May our hearts and minds be open to this offering. I am so glad you are here. Let us worship, let us marvel at the miracle of being here, right now, and the Mystery that has brought us together.

Patricia Leftridge

Rev. Alex

Hank Florence

Vicky Jungers

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Opening Song

Pastoral Music

"Meditation on Breathing" STJ (teal) #1009

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"Loosen, Loosen" by Alyson Halper

Loosen, loosen, baby You don't have to carry The weight of the world in your muscles and bones Let go, let go, let go (repeat x 3)

Offering

Offertory Music

Homily

Contemplation

"When Our Heart is in a Holy Place" **Closing Song** Patricia Leftridge STJ (teal) #1008

Commission + Benediction

"There are two questions we must ask ourselves. The first is Where am I going? and the second is Who will go with me? If you ever get these questions in the wrong order, you are in trouble." ~Howard Thurman~

Chalice Extinguish

As we go forth, may we carry the flame of Love, and Peace with Justice, until we meet again, **Blessed Be**

Postlude

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"Oh We Give Thanks"

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"The Gift of Mystery"

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Rev. Alex

Hank Florence + Rev. Alex

Rev. Alex





Joys+Sorrows+Gratitudes