

ORDER OF SERVICE
Indigenous People's Day ~ October 9, 2022

Prelude Improvisation on two traditional Cheyenne melodies

Welcome and Announcements

Ingathering Chime

Introit *Sandpainting No. 1* ("White Shell")

Connor Chee (Navaho)
Marshunda Smith, cellist

Opening Words

*Opening Hymn "Morning Has Come" No. 1000 [STJ]

Chalice Lighting

Covenant Affirmation

Love is the doctrine of this church,
The quest for truth its sacrament,
And service its prayer.
To dwell together in peace,
To seek knowledge in freedom,
To serve human need,
To the end that all souls shall
grow into harmony with the Divine —
Thus do we covenant
with each other and with God.

Joys and Sorrows

Pastoral Prayer

Musical Response "Meditation on Breathing" No. 1009 [STJ]

Reflection "Sharing Our Good News"
Mary Gatlin, UUCGL President

Offertory Hurricane Relief for Puerto Rico – October 50/50
Checks payable to UUCGL with "hurricane relief" in the memo line benefit Taller Puertorriqueno, our designated charity. All plate cash will be divided evenly between the church and charity.

Candles of Hope and Healing
You are welcome to light a candle at the altar table.

Reading
From *Braiding Sweetgrass: Indigenous Wisdom, Scientific Knowledge, and the Teachings of Plants*, Robin Wall Kimmerer

Anthem "Loksi Hakshop (Turtle Shells)" from *Taloowa Chipota*
Jarod Impichchaachaaha Tate
Marshunda Smith, cellist

Taloowa Chipota features songs reminiscent of traditional stomp dancing and are based on old Chickasaw melodies. This movement is full of abstracted textures emulating the shell shaking in stomp dances. The vocables have no translated meaning. Tate is a highly renowned composer dedicated to the development of American Indian classical composition. He is a citizen of the Chickasaw Nation and its Composer-in-Residence.

Sermon "Turtle Island"
Rev. Dr. Victoria Weinstein

*Closing Hymn "We Are Not Our Own" No. 317 [STLT]

Responsive Sending Forth No. 614 [STLT]
The Sacred Hoop, Black Elk

Benediction

Congregational Response: AMEN

Postlude *Vocable No. 1* Connor Chee

**Please rise in body or in spirit.*

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Today's Worship Team

The Rev. Dr. Victoria Weinstein, Parish Minister
Kenneth Griffith II, Director of Music
David Collins, Keyboard
Marshunda Smith, Cellist
The UUCGL Choir
Francene Amari-Faulkner, Reader
Jason Gatlin, Livestream Service

WE ARE A SPIRITUAL COMMUNITY

that gathers to explore deeper truths together,
to support one another through the complexities
and struggles of daily life, and to serve the greater good by
becoming more compassionate in our thoughts, words and actions.
Join with us to cultivate reverence, peacefulness, and an ethic of
loving engagement with the world.

REOPENING TASK FORCE UPDATE

The Reopening Task Force has met infrequently in the last six months as Covid transmission has slowed and testing and vaccines have become widely available. With a return to cooler weather and indoor activities, and hopefully larger gatherings at church, we encourage members of our congregation to follow CDC guidance and use common sense when it comes to masking or staying home if ill. The latest Covid variant is being widely transmitted (40%) by asymptomatic people, so please test if you think you “just” have allergies or feel at all unwell. Our staff will be testing frequently, and the Minister tests for Covid twice a week and always on Saturdays. We also urge everyone who is able to receive the new updated Covid booster and help reduce the risk of community spread.

50-50 COLLECTION FOR OCTOBER

The Social Justice Ministry Team is supporting assistance to Puerto Rico, hard hit by Hurricane Fiona last month, and still recovering from destruction caused by Hurricane Ida in 2017. A Philadelphia-based group, Taller Puertorriqueno, is seeking donations to provide hurricane relief. Donations to them will help Taller Salud, a Puerto Rican outfit led by women, and Comedores Sociales, a community-based local kitchen seeking to end food insecurity in Puerto Rico. Checks should be payable to UUCGL, with “hurricane relief” in the memo line, so that amounts may be recorded.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

DIALOGUE GROUP—Today, 5:00pm | Zoom

“Dialogue” is a way of practicing deep listening that enables us to share personal experiences and thoughts in a way that collectively builds a more expansive understanding of ourselves and the world around us. Dialogue and the discursive meditation are part of the method of Cafh, a path of spiritual unfolding. Contact Ron Fishman for the Zoom link.

THE IMPACTS OF CLIMATE CHANGE WITH STEVE YOUNG Wednesday October 12 | 7:00 – 8:00pm

UUCGL member Professor Steve Young will discuss the science of why our climate is changing, and what to expect in the future. Professor Young will also discuss how New England’s climate is changing and the impacts that our coastal communities will face in the future.

WISDOM CIRCLE

Wednesday, October 12 | 12-1:30pm — Skylight Room

Wisdom Circle is a monthly gathering geared toward seniors to share the perspectives and life experiences of older age. It is intended to be supportive and informative, a program both of faith development and pastoral ministry. Please let us know if you will be joining us. Contact Ruth Griffin or Gloria Kozlosky (781)584-4311.

SATURDAY CRAFT GROUP

Saturday, October 15 | 10:00am-2:00pm

UUCGL is starting a craft group on Saturday mornings twice a month. It will be held the first and third Saturdays from 10AM to 2PM (you may drop in at any time). All sorts of crafts are welcome. For further details, contact Rebecca Greene at rebecca@andrews-greene.com.

COMMUNITY DRUM CIRCLE

Sunday, October 16 | 1:30-3:30pm — Sanctuary

Our Community Drum Circle, formed over 14 years ago, continues on the 3rd Sunday of every month! Drums are available for borrowing. These events are open to the larger community so please feel free to bring a friend and spread the word! Open to individuals 10 years old and up. No experience necessary! Suggested donation is \$5-\$10.

HEALING MANDALAS FOR ADULTS W/TRINIDAD MARTINEZ

Sunday, October 23 | 11:30am-1:00pm — Parish Hall

The mandala is widely recognized as a meaningful reflection of its creator. Together, we will create a sand mandala, utilizing its holistic therapeutic benefits. Contact Rev. Chris Scheller at cscheller@uucgl.org with questions and to let us know if you’ll be joining us!