

ORDER OF SERVICE  
May 14, 2023

Prelude *Sarabande* (from *Suite in D minor*)  
Élisabeth Jacquet de la Guerre

Welcome and Announcements

Ingathering Chime

Choral Introit “We Walk in Love” Deanna Witkowski

Call to Worship

\*Opening Hymn “O Life That Maketh All Things New” No. 12 [STLT]

Chalice Lighting

Unison 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.

Community Joys and Sorrows

Musical Response “Spirit of Life” No. 123 [STLT]

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*\*Please rise in body or in spirit.*

Offertory† *Songs my Mother Taught Me* A. Dvorak/arr. Schütt

Our 50/50 split for May benefits the National Network of Abortion Funds’ Collective Power Fund. Since 2019, the Collective Power Fund (CPF) has distributed nearly \$3 million in grants to abortion funds. Donations to the CPF will help pay for abortion procedures as well as the practical support needed to actually access care, such as transportation and childcare.

Candles of Hope and Healing

*You are invited to come forward and light a candle.*

Reading “Abundance Poem” Alexis Pauline Gumbs  
*From the participants in “Already Been Done” an Ancestral Listening Workshop from Black Feminist Film School*

Anthem “Baby Mine” from *Dumbo*  
Music by Frank Churchill, Lyrics by Ned Washington

Sermon “Revolutionary Mothering”  
Rev. Dr. Victoria Weinstein

Hymn “We Are...” No. 1051 [STJ]

Benediction

Congregational Response: *Amen*

Postlude *Pastel*, Op. 128 Cécile Chaminade

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†We share our Sunday morning offering each month with an organization that is dedicated to alleviating human suffering or oppression. The collection will benefit both the church and charity:

- all loose cash in the collection plates will be split on a 50/50 basis between the church and the charity
- checks payable to the church will go only to the church—and toward your pledge—unless otherwise designated (e.g. writing “50/50” on the memo line)
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## TODAY'S WORSHIP TEAM

Rev. Dr. Victoria Weinstein, Parish Minister

Kenneth Griffith II, Director of Music

David Collins, Keyboard

The UUCGL Choir

Francene Amari-Faulkner Worship Associate

Felix Kiene-Gualtieri, Livestream Service

Doreen Hodgkin and Mary Gatlin, Ushers

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## 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.

We are so glad that you're here today,  
whether you are a devoted member or a new visitor.

We hope to be a spiritual community  
you will consider becoming part of.

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## COMMUNITY HEALTH

Our choir members are going mask-optional for the first time in three years, choosing to test regularly and stay home if presenting any symptoms of illness. We recommend that all members of the community continue to use testing, masking and quarantining to mitigate the spread of Covid and other infectious diseases. The front side of the sanctuary opposite the choir is reserved for those who would like to continue to practice social distancing.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

Visit [uucgl.org](http://uucgl.org) for more information and additional announcements.

### Tai Chi for Beginners

Tuesday, May 16 | 11am | Parish Hall

### Meal Bags for My Brother's Table

Tuesday, May 16 | 6:30pm | Parish Hall

We will be gathering again to make meals. Please let Michael know if you plan on attending: [michaelcelona@yahoo.com](mailto:michaelcelona@yahoo.com)

### Dialogue Group

Wednesday, May 17 | 8pm | Zoom

### Green Sanctuary Ministry Team Meeting

Friday, May 19 | 6:30pm

The Green Sanctuary Team's next meeting will be a potluck gathering outside of church. Please email Trish for location details.

### Saturday Craft Group

Saturday, May 20 | 10am-2pm

### Church History Ministry Team Meeting

Sunday, May 21 | 11:30am-12:30pm | Skylight Room

The Church History Team's mission is to preserve, organize, and make available pertinent materials relating to our church. Anyone interested in preserving & organizing important church records is welcome.

### Community Drum Circle

Sunday, May 21 | 1:30-3:30 pm | Sanctuary

Open to individuals 10 years-old and up, no experience necessary! Come have an afternoon of spiritual awakening, fun and meeting wonderful people. Drums are available for borrowing. Bring a friend, and spread the word!

### Sunday Evening Meditations

Sunday, May 21 | 4-5 pm | Sanctuary

### Wisdom Circle

Wednesday, June 14 | 12-1:30pm

### North Shore Pride

Saturday, June 24 | Salem

Save the date to march in the Pride Parade with us and enjoy the festival!

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**A reminder:** after the service, Fair Trade food items will be available for purchase during Fellowship Hour.