ORDER OF SERVICE February 25, 2024

Ingathering Music

Choral Introit "Step by Step"

arr. Joan Szymko

Call to Worship

*Opening Hymn "When The Spirit Says Do"

No. 1024 [STJ]

African-American Spiritual, Civil Rights Movement

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.

Welcome and Invitations

Joys and Sorrows

Prayer

Musical Response

Step by step the longest march can be won (can be won)
Many stones can form an arch, singly none (singly none)
And by union what we will
Can be accomplished still

Drops of water turn a mill, singly none (singly none)

Offertory

Adagio in F minor

Joseph Bologne, Chevalier de St. George (1745-1799)

Our 50/50 split this month benefits the Unitarian Universalist Service Committee **Guest At Your Table** program, whose focus this year is to partner with global grassroots organizations that are resisting the oppressions of authoritarianism and fascism.

You can learn more at www.uusc.org/resources/congregations/gayt

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 organization:

- all loose cash in the collection plates will be split on a 50/50 basis between the church and the organization
- 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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Candles of Hope and Healing

Reading "To Be of Use" Marge Piercy

Anthem "I'll Make the Difference" Moses Hogan

Sermon "We Don't Need Another Hero"

Rev. Dr. Victoria Weinstein

*Hymn If Every Woman in the World No. 1026 [ST]]

Sending Forth and Benediction

The congregation responds: Amen

Postlude Cameo, Op. 53, No. 1

S. Coleridge-Taylor (1875-1912)

*Please rise in body or in spirit.

In recognition of Black History Month, David will be performing piano selections by Black composers from around the world. If you have any questions or comments about the composers or the music you hear this month, please don't hesitate to talk to David after the service.

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TODAY'S WORSHIP TEAM

Rev. Dr. Victoria Weinstein, Worship Leader
Kenneth Griffith II, Director of Music
David Collins, Keyboard
The UUCGL Choir
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.

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

Please join us for coffee and fellowship in the Parish Hall (to your right, as you exit the Sanctuary) after the service.

you will consider becoming part of.

Fair Trade food items will be available for purchase in the Parish Hall during Fellowship Hour. There will be a special Valentine's Day-themed prize awarded today as well as a Valentine's craft activity for the young and the young at heart!

JOIN US!

(Visit **uucgl.org** for more information and additional announcements.)

Morning Meditation Group

Every day | 7:30-7:50am | Online

For more information, see uucgl.org or email Anne at aprincipe@gmail.com

Connecting Conversations — Simplifying Our Shared Ministry: Study and Learning Ideas

Sunday, February 25 | 11:30am-12:30pm | Fellowship Room

Parents & Caregivers as Sexuality Educators Support Group

Sunday, February 25 | 6-8pm | Parish Hall

Sessions are designed to meet the needs of adults raising children of a wide age range, from elementary through high school. Read more at uucgl.org

5th-6th and 7th-8th Grade OWL Classes

Sunday, February 25 | 6-8pm | Fellowship Room & Skylight Room

Tai Chi Classes

Tuesday, February 27 | 10am (Beginner); 11am (Intermediate) | Parish Hall

Dialogue Group

Tuesday, February 27 | 5-6pm | Zoom

Plant-Based Cooking Group (FOR ALL AGES)

Thursday, February 29 | 5pm | UUCGL Kitchen

Saturday Craft Circle

Saturday, March 2 | 10am-2pm | Skylight Room

Sunday Evening Meditations

Sunday, March 3 | 4-4:45 pm | Sanctuary

Registration required; see uucgl.org

Potluck Community Meal

Sunday, March 3 | 5-6pm | Parish Hall

Sign up at uucgl.org

Wisdom Circle

Tuesday, March 5 | 12–1:30pm | Skylight Room

Church History Ministry Team Meeting

Sunday, March 10 | 11:30am-12:30pm | Fellowship Room

Ancestry—Where to Start and How to Continue Tracing Your Family History

Tuesday, March 12 | 1:30 – 3pm

Open to those who have been working on tracing their ancestry as well as those who are looking to begin. See uucgl.org for more info and to sign up.