

THE ORDER OF WORSHIP

**OUT OF COURTESY & RESPECT, PLEASE TURN OFF/MUTE
CELL PHONES, AND OTHER DEVICES. THANK YOU!**

*Rising together in community, as we are able.

Music for Gathering

Welcome and Announcements *(Latecomers admitted)*

Prelude *(Latecomers admitted)*

Call to Worship

Chalice Lighting

Invocation

(Latecomers admitted during hymn)

*Opening Hymn "Oh, We Give Thanks" (screen, insert)

*Responsive Reading "Together in a Sacred Space" (screen)

*Congregational Covenant (Unison)

***Love is the spirit of this church and service is its law.
This is our great covenant: to dwell together in peace,
To seek the truth in freedom, and to help one another.***

*Greeting the Holy in Our Midst *(Latecomers admitted)*

Message for All Ages: *The Secret of Saying Thanks*, Douglas Wood

Anthem: "Thanks Be to Thee," Handel
Community Church Choir

Children's Benediction (sung in unison)

***Go now in peace; go now in peace.
May the Spirit of Love surround you,
Everywhere, everywhere, you may go***

Communion of Names and Pastoral Prayer

+ Silence and Musical Meditation

*Hymn of Reflection "The Oneness of Everything" (screen, insert)

Reading: "On Saying No," by Evan Osnos
from *The New Yorker*, November 13, 2016

*Offertory

Congregational Response - "We are One, We are Many" (*onscreen*)

Sermon "Parallel Lives"

Guest Speaker: Elena Westbrook

*Closing Hymn # 354 "We Laugh, We Cry"

*Extinguishing the Chalice (Unison)

***We extinguish this flame but not the light of truth,
the warmth of community, or the fire of commitment:
These we carry in our hearts until we are together again.***

*Benediction

(Please be seated)

Postlude

Fellowship and Refreshments (Founders Hall)

Church Chats (Sermon Discussion) (Sanctuary)

+ (After the silence, please feel free to come forward and light a candle)

**Offering: This church is supported by the pledges of our members and friends. The offering provides an additional opportunity for expressing generosity by those attending today's worship.

OUR SHARED MINISTRY THIS MORNING

Guest Speaker: *Elena Westbrook*

Worship Associate: *Jeannette Baillie*

Worship Facilitator: *Cheri Naquin*

Board Member on duty: *Lexie McGrane*

Religious Education Director: *Kathy Smith*

Ushers: *Steve, Gina and Max Mallory*

Flowers: *Provided by Jo Howser*

Musicians: *Choir; Christopher Wolff, Music Director*

Membership Representatives: *Gene and Vicki Verinder and Angel Dillon*

Audio/Visual Technician: *Daniel West*

Fellowship: *Families whose last name falls between Hawes-Maddox
and Joy*

Next Sunday, November 27 – Guest Speaker, Rev. Mark Walz