

# 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 *(Latecomers admitted)*

Prelude *(Latecomers admitted)*

Call to Worship

Chalice Lighting

Invocation

*(Latecomers admitted during hymn)*

\*Opening Hymn: #360 “Here We Have Gathered”

\*Responsive Reading: #645 “Song of the Open Road”

\*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: “How to Read A Story”

by Kate Messner - Kimberly Hughes

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

Silent Meditation Musical Meditation

Reading: from The Zookeeper’s Wife by Diane Ackerman

Share the Plate: God’s Food Pantry

\*\*Offertory: “Come Sunday” Alice Mayo and Duane Mortensen

Congregational Response - “We are One, We are Many” *(on screen)*

Book 1: The Ocean at the End of the Lane

by Neil Gaiman Alyssa Church

Book 2: Sing for Your Life: A Story of Race Music and Family  
by Daniel Bergner Tara Hands

Book 3: No Baggage: A Minimalist Tale of Love and Wandering  
by Clara Bensen Deb Bliss

Book 4: The Wind In the Willows by Kenneth Grahame Cheri Naquin

\*Closing Hymn: #168 “One More Step”

\*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: “The Piper At the Gates of Dawn”

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

Worship Associate: *Sandy Farlow*

Ushers: *Brian Bristol and Bill Daffinee*

Flowers:

Musician: *Elena Westbrook*

Membership Representatives: *Judith Boyle and Barb Salvo*

RE Greeter: *Lousinda Long*

RE Board Member on duty: *Agenda Hathaway*

Audio/Visual Technician: *David West*

Fellowship: *Families whose last name falls between Kellner thru  
Mason*

Next Sunday – August 6. "A Personal Spiritual Odyssey" Guest Speaker  
- Bob Bliss