

# THE ORDER OF WORSHIP

PLEASE TURN OFF/MUTECELL PHONES, AND OTHER DEVICES

\*Rising together in community, as we are able.

## Music for Gathering

Welcome and Announcements

Prelude

Call to Worship

Chalice Lighting

Invocation

\*Opening Hymn: #346 “Come Sing a Song with Me”

\*Responsive Reading: #444 “This House” by Kenneth L. Patton

\*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

Message for All Ages: *Amazing Grace*, by Mary Hoffman,  
read by Sarah Reiling

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: #146 “Soon the Day Will Arrive”

Reading: from *The Autobiography of Malcolm X*

\*Offertory: “Go the Distance”, by Alan Mencken,  
performed by Susy Gulley

**Congregational Response:** “We Are One, We Are Many”

*We are one, we are many in a welcoming place  
In the dreams we accomplish, we find our grace,  
In one world connected by nature so vast  
We now plant these blessings, may they ever last  
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**Sermon:** “I’m Not Going to Cook School: The African American Quest for Education in Texas”, Guest Speakers: Michael Phillips & Betsy Friauf

\*Closing Hymn: #30 “Over My Head”

\*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

Postlude (Please be seated)

**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 Speakers: *Michael Phillips and Betsy Friauf*

Worship Associate: *Jeannette Baillie*

Worship Facilitator: *MaryAnn Owens*

Board Member on duty: *Alyssa Church*

Musician: *Susy Gulley*

Ushers: *Sarah Reiling, Janice Hildenbrand and  
Gretchen and Bo Gerard*

Flowers: *Provided by April Emmert in honor of William Young’s 1  
birthday, August 22.*

Membership Representatives: *Gene & Vicki Verinder*

Audio/Visual Technician: *Rob Hight*

**Next Sunday, August 26 – Annual Ingathering/Water Communion**

**Service.** All attending are offered the chance to share a small amount of water gathered from places of personal meaning during the last year, and the significance. Water is available to be shared symbolically if you do not have some of your own with you. All are welcome.