

# 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

Prelude: Evanstar by Howard Shore

Call to Worship

Chalice Lighting

Invocation Out of Yearning by Susan Manker-Seale

Opening Hymn: Just as Long as I Have Breath #6

\*Responsive Reading: Why Not A Star #621

\*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: Me and My Dragon: Christmas Spirit  
by David Biedrzycki

Communion of Names and Prayer

+ Silence and Musical Meditation

\*Music of Reflection: You've Got A Friend In Me  
by Randy Newman & Lyle Lovett

Reading: The Bridge Builder by Will Allen Dromgoole

\*\*Offertory: Darcy the Dragon

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

Sermon: The Dragon Who Never had a Christmas  
By CUUC Youth in Grades K through 8<sup>th</sup> Grade

\*Closing Song: Love Will Guide Us #131

\*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 & 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: *Robin Daffinee Coulonge*

Worship Associate: *Bill Daffinee, Shay Richardson, Jack Dorman, Abi Campbell, Genevieve Saxon & Filix Coulonge*

Board Member on duty: *Cindy Hadden*

Chalice Lighter: *Luna Miller*

Ushers: *Janice Hildenbrand and Gretchen Gerard*

Musician: *Duane Mortensen*

Membership Representatives:

Audio/Visual Technician: *Rob Hight*

Fellowship: *Families whose last name falls between*

Next Sunday – December 23 – "Journey into Solstice" led by Elena Westbrook and the Community UU Choir.

Christmas Eve – December 24 - 3pm - "Christmas Eve Service for Families".

This is a lively, participatory service of familiar carols and rounds, beautiful descants and bells, readings and stories of the season. Adults, youth, families, children of all ages – all are welcome. Led by the RE Board.

Monday, December 24 - 6pm - Lessons and Carol Service led by Rev. Scott Cooper.