

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 “The Longest Night,” Peter Mayer

Call to Worship

Chalice Lighting

*Opening Carol “Yule Fires” (tune: Greensleeves; insert)

*Responsive Reading “Black Can Be Beautiful” (insert)

*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 “The Rebirth of the Sun,” Starhawk

Anthem: “Winter Solstice”

Communion of Names and Prayer

+ Silence and Musical Meditation

*Carol of Reflection: “Silent Night, Solstice Night” (insert)

Reading “Solstice Poem,” Margaret Atwood

**Offertory: “Winter Wind”
Offering Response “We Are One, We Are Many” (onscreen)

Sermon Lessons of the Snow Queen

*Closing Carol: “God Rest Ye Merry” (insert)

*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: “Where is the Light?”

Fellowship and Refreshments (Founders Hall)

Church Chats (Library)

+(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

Worship Leader: *Elena Westbrook*

Chalice Lighter: *Shay Richardson*

Worship Facilitator: *Jeanette Baillie*

Board Member on duty: *Sarah Reiling*

Ushers: *Mark and Victoria Rachel and Gina Mallory*

Flowers:

Musicians: *Christopher Wolff, Community UU Choir*

Membership Representatives: *Gene and Vicki Verinder*

Audio/Visual Technician: *David West*

Fellowship: *Families whose last name falls between Reiling and
Tannehill*

December 24 – 3pm - Christmas Eve Service for Families

December 24 – 6pm Lessons and Carol Service led by Rev. Scott Cooper.

Next Sunday – December 30 - Sarah Reiling, “Turnings”