

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 “Andante Cantabile,” Timothy Brown

Call to Worship

Chalice Lighting

Invocation

*Opening Hymn # 361 “Enter, Rejoice and Come In”

*Responsive Reading “Litany” (*see 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

Message for All Ages: *How to Read a Book*

by Kwame Alexander; art by Melissa Sweet

Communion of Names and Prayer

+ Silence and Musical Meditation

“Midnight Meditation,” Dennis Alexander

*Hymn of Reflection: # 128, “For All That Is Our Life”

Introduction: The Books That Change Our Lives

Books That Inspire, Part 1:

Jen Mason: *Educated: A Memoir* by Tara Westover

Stephen Grollman: *Thus Spake Zarathustra* by Friedrich Nietzsche

**Offertory “Summer Splendor,” Catherine Rollin

Offering Response - “We Are One, We Are Many”

We are one, we are many in a welcoming place.

In the deeds 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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Books That Inspire, Part 2:

Stephanie Grollman: *To Kill a Mockingbird* by Harper Lee

Alyssa Church: *The Little Prince* by Antoine de St. Exupery

*Closing Song: “When Our Heart Is in a Holy Place” (*insert, screen*)

*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 “Aretha’s Rhumba,” Eric Baumgartner

+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

Speakers: *Jen Mason, Stephen Grollman, Stephanie Grollman,
Alyssa Church*

Worship Associate: *Elena Westbrook*

Board Member on duty: *Sarah Reiling*

Ushers: *Sarah Reiling and Janice Hildenbrand*

Flowers:

Musician: *Amy Mitani*

Membership Representatives: *Gene and Vicki Verinder*

Audio/Visual Technician: *David West*

Fellowship: *Families whose last name falls between West and Zoeller
Baillie and Brackmann*

Next Sunday – July 28 – Rev. Aija Duelm, CUUC Consulting DRE