

**Unitarian Universalist Church Of Silver Spring**  
**Online Worship Order of Service**



Sculpture: "Universal Knowledge" by Abelardo Parra Jimenez, Colombia.  
Located on the campus of Gallaudet University in Washington, DC.

**Sunday, September 26, 2021**  
**Beyond the Eye of the Beholder**  
**Led by Rev. Kristin Grassel Schmidt**  
**Jeffrey Noel-Nosbaum, Worship Associate**

The Rev. Kristin Grassel Schmidt, *Minister*  
Dr. Laura Solomon, *Director of Spiritual Growth*  
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**Prelude:**

**Room at the Table** / Carrie Newcomer / Sanctuary Singers / 11/24/2019

**When There is Light in the Soul** / John Shea / Sanctuary Singers / 1/15/2012

**True Colors** / B. Steinberg, T. Kelly, C. Lauper / Carey Schneider & Audrey Engdahl / 5/19/2019

**Bound By the Beauty** / Jane Siberry / Nancy Dougherty / 4/9/2017

**Holy Now** / Peter Mayer / Audrey Engdahl / 4/12/2015

**We Are a Patchwork Quilt** / David Heitler-Klevans / Children's Choir / 3/8/2020

**I Need You to Survive** / David Frazier / Pastor David B. Smith, Sanctuary Singers and Friends & 50 Ways to Light Your Chalice Band / 10/16/2016

**Gathering Song:**

**Kindle a Spark** / Michael Holmes (words: Rev. Liz Lerner-Maclay) / Performed by Nancy Dougherty and Michael Holmes / Archival Video (Credit: Mary Kegel)

**Welcome (Jeffrey Noel-Nosbaum, Worship Associate)**

**Chalice Lighting (Jeffrey Noel-Nosbaum, Worship Associate)**

May this light warm our hearts with love and caring and guide us in the ways of truth.

**Congregational Commitment (Jeffrey Noel-Nosbaum, Worship Associate)**

*(Excerpt: Preamble of UUCSS Congregational Constitution)*

As we gather here for worship,

We pledge ourselves to the endless search for truth;

To the right of each to believe as mind, heart, and conscience dictate;

To accept the responsibility this freedom commands;

And to implement our belief in the essential worth and dignity of every human being.

**Song of Exultation**

Since what we choose is what we are,

And what we love we yet shall be,

The goal may ever shine afar,

The will to reach it makes us free.

**Invocation (Rev. Kristin Grassel Schmidt)**

*Words by Rev. Kimberlee Anne Tomczak Carlson*

**Hymn**

**Hymn #21 “For the Beauty of the Earth”** (from *Singing the Living Tradition*) / Words by Folliott Sandford Pierpoint / Music by Conrad Kocher / ASL Interpretation by Miako Villanueva

**Time for All Ages (Rev. Kristin Grassel Schmidt)**

***“The Magic Vase”*** by Margaret Silf

**Communion of Joys and Sorrows (Rev. Kristin Grassel Schmidt)**

***Come Thou Fount of Every Blessing*** / Music by Robert Robinson / Performed by Phyllis Stanley, piano

----- After the Communion of Joys and Sorrows, we invite congregants to shift their focus from commenting in the chat to focusing on the content of the service. -----

**Prayer (Rev. Kristin Grassel Schmidt)**

**Hymn**

**Hymn #326 “Let All the Beauty We Have Known”** (from *Singing the Living Tradition*) / Words by Dana McLean Greeley / Music from an English melody; Adapted and harmonized by Ralph Vaughan Williams / ASL Interpretation by Miako Villanueva

**Sermon “Beyond the Eye of the Beholder” (Rev. Kristin Grassel Schmidt)**

**Offering Invitation (Jeffrey Noel-Nosbaum, Worship Associate)**

**Offertory**

***Now I Walk in Beauty*** / Navajo Chant / Singers of UUCSS (Video) ASL Interpretation by Miako Villanueva

**Blessing the Offering (Rev. Kristin Grassel Schmidt)**

**Announcements (Jeffrey Noel-Nosbaum, Worship Associate)**

**Closing Hymn**

*Hymn "Bless the World" / Elizabeth Norton / Singers of UUCSS / ASL Interpretation by Miako Villanueva*

**Chalice Extinguishing (Jeffrey Noel-Nosbaum, Worship Associate)**

Carry the flame of peace and love until we meet again.

**Benediction (Rev. Kristin Grassel Schmidt)**

Our worship has ended and now our service begins.

**Postlude**

*Be the Light / Lea Morris, Words by Amanda Gorman / Performed by Lea Morris*

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