

Unitarian Universalist Church Of Silver Spring
Online Worship Order of Service



Sunday, October 24, 2021

“The Dynamic Divine”

Led by Rev. Kristin Grassel Schmidt

Kathryn Leete, Worship Associate

The Rev. Kristin Grassel Schmidt, *Minister*

Dr. Laura Solomon, *Director of Spiritual Growth*

Michael Holmes, *Music Director*

Maggie Hayes, *President, Board of Trustees*

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Prelude:

God of Grace and God of Glory / Harry Emerson Fosdick, John Hughes / Sanctuary Singers / 11/16/2014

Bridge Over Troubled Water / Paul Simon / Deborah Thornton, vocals / 8/12/2018

In Your Eyes / Peter Gabriel / Call of the Dream, Bob Hirshon & Deborah Thornton, vocals / 3/26/2017

Morning Has Broken / Mary MacDonald / Michael Holmes and Carey Schneider / 10/4/2015

From the Beginning / Greg Lake / Call of the Dream / 8/6/2017

Day By Day from Godspell / Stephen Schwartz / Audrey Engdahl & Emily Warheit, soloists, Sanctuary Singers, Walt Whitman Electric Body Band / 9/30/2012

Dimming of the Day / Bonnie Raitt & Richard Thompson / Audrey Engdahl & Michael Holmes, vocals / 1/12/2020

Brave / Sara Bareilles / Children's Choir / 3/8/2020

Gathering Song:

Better Days / Words and Music by Pat Humphries & Sandy O of Emma's Revolution / Performed by the UUCSS Sanctuary Singers

Welcome (Kathryn Leete, Worship Associate)

Chalice Lighting (Kathryn Leete, Worship Associate)

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

Congregational Commitment (Kathryn Leete, 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)

“The Heart of Our Faith” / Monica Jacobson-Tennessee

Hymn

Hymn #347 “Gather the Spirit” (from Singing the Living Tradition) / Words and Music by Jim Scott

Time for All Ages (Rev. Kristin Grassel Schmidt)

A midrash / Rabbi Mark Gelman

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

Sonata con tre cornetti / Music by Giovanni Gabrieli / Performed by the Washington Cornett and Sackbutt Ensemble (Michael Holmes, artistic director)

----- 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)

“Singing Bowl” / Rev. Marta I. Valentín

Hymn

Hymn #1002 “Comfort Me” (From Singing the Journey) / Words and Music by Mimi Bornstein-Doble

Reading (Rev. Kristin Grassel Schmidt)

“god is no noun” / Glen Thomas Rideout

Sermon “The Dynamic Divine” (Rev. Kristin Grassel Schmidt)

Offering Invitation (Kathryn Leete, Worship Associate)

Offertory

Sweet Surrender / Words and Music by John Denver / Performed by Michael Holmes and Rev. Kristin Grassel Schmidt; with Bob Hirshon, guitar (performed live)

Blessing the Offering (Rev. Kristin Grassel Schmidt)

May the gifts we have given fuel the flame of our commitment,
empower us to serve out our mission,
and give the life we share the shape of truth, love, and justice.

Announcements (Kathryn Leete, Worship Associate)

Closing Hymn

Hymn #31 "Name Unnamed" (From *Singing the Living Tradition*) / Words by Brian Wren / Music by W. Frederick Wooden

Chalice Extinguishing (Kathryn Leete, Worship Associate)

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

Benediction (Rev. Kristin Grassel Schmidt)

Postlude

We're All in This Together / Words and Music by Ben Lee / Performed by The Distant Learners, Call of the Dream House Band, and members of the UUCSS Sanctuary Singers and Children's Choir, with Michael Holmes, horns

Thanks to the team who made this service possible!

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