

# Order Of Service –May 16th, 2021

## *Co-Creating the Beloved Community*

**Rev. Laura Randall for the UUSC**

**Music for Contemplation:** “Amazing Grace,” “Prayers From the Forest” and “Wind Spirit” by Bill Miller. Photos by Steve Schmidt and Susan Jhirad, and © Soul Matters.

### **Sound of the Bell**

**Prelude:** “Black Diamond” by Roland Kirk. Molly Ruggles, piano.

**Opening Words:** Words by Jalal ud-din Rumi

### **Welcome**

### **Chalice Lighting**

### **Covenant**

Love is the heart of this church.

We commit to:

Being a diverse, welcoming community of mutual care and respect;

Supporting each other's spiritual journey and search for truth and meaning;

Promoting justice and serving the wider community.

We hold ourselves to this promise with compassion and understanding.

**Hymn:** “Meditation on Breathing,” words & music by Sarah Dan Jones (*Singing the Journey* #1009). Performed by Mary Pratt and Rev. Jim Magaw, UU Church of the South Hills, Pittsburgh PA. Used with permission.

**Story for All Ages:** “The Parrot and the Eagles,” adapted from *The Jakata Tales*

### **Candles of Joy, Sorrow and Milestones**

**Offering:** “Mourning Dove” by Molly Ruggles

**Prayer:** “Blessing of Courage” by Jan Richardson, from *The Cure for Sorrow*

**Music:** “Lifted in Love” written by Carl Karush and Lea Morris, and performed by Lea Morris. Used with permission.

**Sermon:** Co-Creating the Beloved Community

**Hymn:** “One More Step,” words by Joyce Poley, music by Grace Lewis-McLaren (*Singing the Living Tradition* #168). Performed by Steve Schmidt and Russell Tripp.

One more step, we will take one more step,  
'til there is peace for us and everyone, we'll take one more step.

One more word, we will say one more word,  
'til every word is heard by everyone, we'll say one more word.

One more prayer, we will say one more prayer,  
'til every prayer is shared by everyone, we'll say one more prayer.

One more song, we will sing one more song,  
'til every song is sung by everyone, we'll sing one more song.

### **Closing Words**

**Postlude:** “The Evening Star” by Felix Medelssohn. Performed by Ruben Piirainen, Music Director at the Unitarian Universalist Church of West Brookfield, WI. Used with permission.