

Fiona Petersen- Speaker

Gathering Music – “We Are the World” Michael Jackson/Lionel Richie

Welcome and Announcements

Greet your Neighbors

Prelude – “Remembrance: In memory of Mendelssohn” Schumann

Lighting the Chalice

We gather this hour as do all people of faith---with joys and sorrows, gifts and needs. We light this beacon of hope, sign of our quest for truth and meaning, in celebration of the life we share together.

Opening Words – Thich Nhat Han

***Opening Hymn** – #360 Here We Have Gathered

***Affirmation of Fellowship:**

May we be reminded here of our highest aspirations, and inspired to bring our gifts of love and service to the altar of humanity.

May we know once again that we are not isolated beings but connected in mystery and in miracle, to the universe, to this community and to each other.

Candles of Joys and Concerns

Words for Reflection – Thornton Wilder, From “Our Town”

Meditation/Prayer

Offertory Music – “Variations on Home Sweet Home” Scholl

***Offertory Response (to “Old Hundredth”)**

From all that dwell below the skies
Let faith and hope and love arise
Let beauty, truth and good be sung
Through every land, by every tongue.

***Hymn** – #18 What Wondrous Love

Sermon- “Community- A Place to Call Home?”

***Closing Hymn** – #318 We Would Be One

Extinguishing the Chalice

Let this flame remain with us, a symbol of the holiness we seek, dispelling the gloom, lighting a path to faith and hope, its radiance calling us to wholeness, casting the light of freedom, justice and peace upon the world.

Postlude – “Song Without Words (Sweet Remembrance)” Mendelssohn

Closing Words – From Buddhism

***Congregation is invited to rise in body or in spirit**

Everyone is invited for refreshments and conversation immediately following the worship service.

UPCOMING SERVICES

September 15- Art Rosen

September 22- Cooper Gunn

September 29- Joanna Henderson

FUTURE EVENTS

September 7- #2 Yard Sale

September 18- Meditation at the Wells’

September 22- Lunch at the Vashro’s

KUUF PURPOSE

...to worship and create a welcoming and supporting community
...to support and care for one another,
...to explore, reflect and grow spiritually,
...to understand our differences,
...to feel safe to share our deeply held thoughts and values,
...to be intentionally inclusive towards bisexual, gay, lesbian
and transgender people,
...to support collective service to the larger community and to
celebrate
together our traditions and our lives with all their sorrows and
joys.

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Assisting Ministers: Guests

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## TRUSTEES

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