

Accotink

Unitarian Universalist Church

A Welcoming & Inclusive Spiritual Home

where we inspire each other to live our values.

Together we Care in Community, Grow in Spirit, & Act for Justice.

Theme for December: Presence



December 1, 2024

IN-PERSON & VIRTUAL SERVICES at 10a

Minister: Reverend William Levwood

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Minister's Office Hours: Wednesday & Thursday 10a-4p

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**I'VE GOT THOSE LOWDOWN LONESOME HOLIDAY BLUES
A BLUE HOLIDAY SERVICE**

Question(s) to Ponder: *“Are we required to feel joyful at this holiday time?
What other feelings can we welcome at this time of year?”*

RINGING BOWL

PRELUDE

*Gather 'Round the Manger
by Heather Lynn Hanson*

WELCOMING WORDS

Sheilah Dols

GREET YOUR NEIGHBOR

CHALICE LIGHTING

CENTERING WORDS

CENTERING SONG

#346, Come Sing a Song with Me

TIME FOR ALL AGES

*Tough Cookie
by Edward Hemingway*

JOYS & SORROWS

*This is a time to share joys and sorrows dear to our hearts, **no announcements** please.*

PASTORAL ANTHEM

*River
by Joni Mitchell*

SHARING OF JOYS & SORROWS

CHILDREN'S RECESSIONAL

*As the children recess to their learning groups sing them out with the **Reeb Children's Benediction**.

Go in love, our hearts go with you.

Go in joy, our hopes go too.

Learn in love and grow in wisdom.

Shine your light in all you do.

READING I

Singing the Living Tradition, #628 (Adapted)

HYMN

#55, Dark of Winter

READING II

Singing the Living Tradition, #628

HYMN

#55, Dark of Winter

REFLECTION

Nancy Melito

INVITATION TO GENEROSITY

Julie Schuck

OFFERTORY ANTHEM

*December Prayer
by Idina Menzel, Walter Afanasieff, and Charlie Midnight*

ANNOUNCEMENTS

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CHALICE EXTINGUISHING WITH COMMUNITY BLESSING

This church is dedicated to the proposition that by celebrating our differences and embracing our diversity we honor the unity that makes us one and binds us forever together in spite of time, death and the space between the stars. We pause now in silent witness to that unity.

David Bumbaugh, adapted

BENEDICTION

COFFEE HOUR

* Latecomers are still welcome.

~ We welcome people of all ages into our worship service.

Outreach Collection Sponsor: **Judy Usherson**

Special thanks to:

Service Webinar Management: Jenn Carlson

Worship Associate: Sheilah Dols

Board Host: Julie Schuck

Guest Speaker: **Nancy Melito**

Each Sunday dozens of **volunteers** work together to make this service a success. If you'd like to be an Sunday Service Volunteer or some additional asset to Accotink as a whole, contact RW Carney III at (703) 503-4579 or at administrator@accotinkuu.org. Volunteering is a great way to form relationships with other Accotinkers.

Welcome to our Newcomers

If this is your first Sunday with us, please be sure to sign up for our future broadcast services and various newsletters via our in service chat options or by emailing, info@accotinkuu.org.

A variety of information about Unitarian Universalism and our congregation is available via our website and contact forms. A friendly AUUC Staff Member and/or Volunteer will be happy to answer your questions. In addition, we also publish a weekly newsletter, filled with information and opportunities to make a difference locally and nationally. If you would like to receive our newsletter, please speak to the Church Administrator at administrator@accotinkuu.org, and we will see to it that your name is added to our mailing list. We invite you to either download and/or print out this Order of Service. Please join us for coffee and conversation following the service today.

Our Shared Unitarian Universalist Values

Love is at the center of Unitarian Universalism. Love is the practice of our living tradition.
As Unitarian Universalists we covenant to:



- **Equity:** *We help everyone flourish with Dignity by building accessible and inclusive communities.*
- **Interdependence:** *We honor the web of life by protecting Earth & all beings from exploitation.*
- **Justice:** *We work to be Beloved Community by dismantling racism and all forms of systemic oppression.*
- **Generosity:** *We cultivate generosity by freely sharing our Faith, presence, and resources.*
- **Pluralism:** *We celebrate diversity by embracing our differences with love and respect.*
- **Transformation:** *We adapt to change, transforming the world with love by growing together, spiritually and ethically.*

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