

### Worship Service January 8, 2023 Love at the Center our Covenants and Relationships Rev. Jaye Brooks and Rev. David Carl Olson

Prelude

Prelude for the Left Hand, op 9, no 1 by Aleksandr Scriabin Nathaniel LaNasa, piano

Welcome and Opening Words

**Chalice Lighting** 

Rev. Jaye Brooks

Janet Bendowitz, Worship Associate

### Words of Affirmation

Love is the doctrine of this congregation, the quest for truth is its sacrament, and service is its prayer. To dwell together in peace, to seek knowledge in freedom, to serve human need this do we affirm and covenant with each other.

# Song of Affirmation

From all that dwell below the skies, let songs of faith and hope arise. Let peace, goodwill on earth be sung through every land by every tongue

# Introduction to the Denominational Affairs Committee

### Hymn #358

Rank by Rank verses 1-3

Rank by rank come we once more, From the four winds gathered hither Loud the hallowed walls implore Whence we come and how, and whither. From their stillness breaking clear, echoes wake to warn or cheer, Higher truth from saint and seer Call to us assembled here.

Ours the years' memorial store, Honored days and names we reckon, Days of comrades gone before, lives that speak and deeds that beckon. Barry Nobel, Chair



From the dreaming of the night to the labors of the day, shines their everlasting light, guiding us upon our way.

Never from that summons swerve; Hark the prophets' living chorus! Truth and freedom still to serve Show the present path before us. As we dream, so shall we dare; Hands to service, hearts to prayer. Clouds of witness call us on, that a nobler day may dawn.

### Thoughts about GA 2022

Jana North, President Chris Hilke, Vice President

#### Invitation to the Offering

Every Sunday, we take a special collection to support nonprofit groups that serve human need. This week's offering will provide support to two organizations:

The Long Island Council of Churches Food Pantry, located in Freeport, is open to anyone in need. In 2022 they served on average 1,500 families monthly. The pantry is funded in part by Nassau County but depends heavily on the donations of local churches, synagogues, and mosques. The Council of Churches raises money to fund two full time positions to staff the pantry and it recruits volunteers to help with the smooth operation of the project. During the worst of the pandemic, they remained open, taking orders from their guests, and leaving bags of groceries at the pantry door for pick up. During the winter months, the pantry staff also administers funds from the County's Emergency Food & Shelter Program to help families pay for heating.

1. Visit <u>uucsr.org/give</u>online OR



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  - a. Open the camera app on your phone.
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Main Lobby or sending to the UUCSR Finance Office. Please enter "01/01/23 Worship" on the memo line.

Anthem	All you Need is Love by Lennon/McCartney	UUCSR Choir Stephen Michael Smith, Conductor
Pastoral Meditation		
Hymn #123	"Spirit of Life" "Fuente of	Je Amor"
Fuente de amor, ven hacia mí. Y al corazón cántale tu compasión. Sopla al volar, sube en la mar, Hasta moldear la justicia de la vida. Arráigame, libérame, Fuente de Amor, ven a mí, ven a mí.		
Spirit of life, come unto me, Sing in my heart all the stirrings of compassion. Blow in the wind, rise in the sea, Move in the hand giving life the shape of justice. Roots, hold me close; wings, set me free. Spirit of Life, come to me, come to me.		
Sermon Findi	ng Our Center- In Commun	nity, In Love Rev. Jaye Brooks
Thoughts about GA 2023Latifa Woodhouse		
What's on the Agenda at GA 2023		Rick Schwartz
Becoming a Delegate to GA 2023		Richard Bock
Closing Words "We Hold Hope Close" from Spilling the Light by UU Minister Rev. Theresa Soto		
Closing Hymn #1024"When the Spirit Says Do"You gotta do when the spirit says do!You gotta do when the spirit says do!When the spirit says do, you gotta do, Oh Lord!You gotta do when the spirit says do!You gotta sing when the spirit says singYou gotta dance when the spirit says dance		
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You gotta **laugh** when the spirit says laugh . . .



You gotta **shout** when the spirit says shout . . .

You gotta do when the spirit says do! You gotta do when the spirit says do! When the spirit says do, you gotta do, Oh Lord! You gotta do when the spirit says do!

Spirit says do! Spirit says do! Spirit says do! Spirit says do! Spirit says do! Spirit says do! Spirit says do!

### **Extinguishing the Chalice**

Postlude

Sinfonia No 5 in E Flat Major, BMV 791 by Johann Sebastian Bach