

UNITARIAN UNIVERSALIST ASSOCIATION PRINCIPLES AND PURPOSES

We, the member congregations of the Unitarian Universalist Association, covenant to affirm and promote

- The inherent worth and dignity of every person;
- Justice, equity and compassion in human relations;
- Acceptance of one another and encouragement to spiritual growth in our congregations;
- A free and responsible search for truth and meaning;
- The right of conscience and the use of the democratic process within our congregations and in society at large;
- The goal of world community with peace, liberty and justice for all;
- Respect for the interdependent web of all existence of which we are a part.

Many Unitarian Universalist congregations, including ours, have added an 8th Principle:

- Journeying toward spiritual wholeness by working to build a diverse multicultural Beloved Community by our actions that accountably dismantle racism and other oppressions in ourselves and our institutions.

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<https://pbuuc.breezechms.com/give/online>; or

Text the whole dollar amount to 301-321-7215; or

Drop your check in the offering basket or mail it to the church at:
3215 Powder Mill Rd, Adelphi, MD 20783.

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Paint Branch Unitarian Universalist Church

301-937-3666

www.pbuuc.org

Meeting Sundays at 3pm at:
University Christian Church
6800 Adelphi Road
Hyattsville, MD 20782

Paint Branch Unitarian Universalist Church Order of Service



Learning How To Pray - with a Nod to Earth Day

Rev. Roberta Finkelstein, Guest Minister

Carol Carter Walker, Worship Associate

April 23, 2023

3:00 pm

REV. ANN KADLECEK, *MINISTER*

DAVID CHAPMAN, *MUSIC DIRECTOR*

JEANNETTE JACKSON, *CHURCH OFFICE ADMINISTRATOR*

SHARON WERTH, *CHALICE DANCERS DIRECTOR*

Paint Branch Unitarian Universalist Church

Worship Service

Sunday, April 23, 2023 3 pm

Gathering Music *Touch the Earth, Reach the Sky!* by Grace
Lewis-McLaren David Chapman, Music Director

Welcome Carol Carter Walker, Worship Associate

Congregational Greeting

Call to Worship Rev. Roberta Finkelstein
Earth Day Prayer by Laura Horton-Ludwig

***Hymn # 86** *Blessed Spirit of My Life*

Chalice Lighting by Leslie Pohl-Kosbau
*Flame of fire, spark of the universe that warmed our
ancestral hearth
Agent of life and death
Symbol of truth and freedom
We strive to understand ourselves and our earthly home.*

Choir *This We Know* by Ron Jeffers

Joys & Sorrows Kathy Bartolomeo, Pastoral Care Associate

Intonation *Earth Song* by Michael Jackson

Silence

Offering

Offertory *The Blessings of the Earth and Sky* by
Johann Schein

First Reading *5 A.M. in the Pinewoods* by Mary Oliver

Second Reading *from The Language of the Heart*
by A. Powell Davies

Sermon

Rev. Roberta Finkelstein

***Hymn: # 1068** *Rising Green*

Closing Words

Congregational Response: We join with the earth
and with each other.

Everybody: We join together as many and diverse
expressions of one loving mystery: for the healing of
the earth and the renewal of all life.

Response *Fuente de Amor/Spirit of Life*

Extinguishing Chalice

*"Our service has ended, but our work is not yet done. May our
spirits be renewed, and our purpose resolved as we meet the
challenges of the week. The chalice flame is extinguished until
once again ignited by the strength of our communion."*

- Martha Kirby Capo

Announcements

Music For Connection and Community

* *Please rise in body and/or spirit*

A Special Thank You!

Tech: Carol Boston, Andy McIntire & Keith Miller

Ushers: Peter Dowling and Chris Evans

Lead Usher: Chris Evans

This service is recorded using a camera in the
rear of the sanctuary. If you wish to avoid being
on camera, please sit in the back couple of rows.