

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.

How to Make a Donation to Paint Branch

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

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

Place cash or a check in the offering basket, or mail a check to the church at: P.O. Box 676, Laurel, MD 20725-0676.

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



“Darkness Holds it All”

Rev. Ann Kadlecek

Andy McIntire, Liturgist

December 3, 2023

3:00 pm

REV. ANN KADLECEK, *MINISTER*
JEANNETTE JACKSON, *CHURCH OFFICE ADMINISTRATOR*
SHARON WERTH, *CHALICE DANCE DIRECTOR*

Paint Branch Unitarian Universalist Church
Worship Service

Sunday, December 3, 2023 3 pm

Gathering Music Francesco Berrett, Pianist

Welcome Andy McIntire, Liturgist

Congregational Greeting

Call to Worship Rev. Ann Kadlecek

***Hymn #55** Dark of Winter led by Jeanne Judd

Chalice Lighting by Jennifer Gracen

Universal mystery,
Guide us away from the desire to
Shine light in all the corners.
Teach us to embrace the night,
For without the darkness,
We never see the stars.

Candle for All Peoples

Joys and Sorrows Margaret McLellan,
Pastoral Care Associate

Communal Ritual

Silence

Reading by Rainer Maria Rilke, translated by David Whyte

Sermon Rev. Ann Kadlecek

Offering

***Hymn:** # 1015 I Know I Can (verses 1, 2 & 5)

Closing Words

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 Conversation

** Please rise in body and/or spirit*

Thank you to today's volunteers!

Tech: Kathi Yu & Keith Miller

Ushers: Chris Evans & Rene McDonald;

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