

26 January 2025, 10am – Order of Worship

GATHERING MUSIC

Dale Churchill, Dir. of Music

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS
Associate

Caroline Marsden, Worship

RINGING THE CHIMES

CALL TO WORSHIP

Rev. Tara Humphries

LIGHTING THE CHALICE & COMMUNITY CANDLE

Erika Hewitt

*OPENING HYMN

#122 Sound Over All Waters

TIME FOR ALL AGES
DRE

Story of the Flaming Chalice

Emily C. Jones,

LAMPLIGHTER & RECESSIONAL

Carry the flame of peace and love until we meet again!

JOYS & SORROWS

PRAYER

Kristin Grassel Schmidt

MUSICAL INTERLUDE

RESPONSIVE LITANY

Naomi King

nurture this precious light

INVITATION TO GENEROSITY

OFFERTORY

Air J.S. Bach

READING

“It Starts with a Spark” Lindasusan Ulrich

ANTHEM

Freedom is Coming *South African Liberation Song*

SERMON

“To Be a Beacon”

Rev. Tara Humphries

*CLOSING HYMN

#1028 The Fire of Commitment

BENEDICTION & EXTINGUISHING THE CHALICE

*Our worship has ended... **and our service begins!***

POSTLUDE

I Wish I Knew How Taylor/Dallas

*Please rise in body and/or in spirit

January’s **SHARE THE PLATE** recipient is **PROJECT FEED** (Food Emergency Exchange Depot), an emergency food pantry on Brighton Ave offering culturally appropriate food to those in need. Learn more at www.projectfeed.org.

LARGE PRINT ORDERS OF SERVICE and **ASSISTIVE LISTENING DEVICES** are available!

THANK YOU to our tech & Zoom team, and all those working behind the scenes to make multi platform worship possible!

Several of our members have severe **ALLERGIES**, so we ask folks to refrain from wearing perfumes or scented products when you come to church.

NEXT SUNDAY

2 February - “Creation in the Belly of Winter” (*an all-ages Imbolc service*)
with Rev. Tara Humphries & Emily C. Jones

TODAY after church: Coffee Hour (Sanctuary/Foyer) &

*“We are growing a community that transforms lives
through the power of love.”*

MISSION: At Allen Avenue Unitarian Universalist Church, we are growing a community that transforms lives through the power of love. We celebrate diversity, encourage spiritual growth, and promote social responsibility as we travel with care on this earth. We empower our members to share their gifts to build a world of compassion, equality, and freedom.



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“To Be a Beacon”

The Role of the Church in These Times: Part III

Reverend Tara Humphries

Sunday 26 January 2025 at 10am

