

2 November 2025 – Order of Worship

“Worship” comes from the Old English word weordhscipe, meaning “worthiness.” In worship we lift up that which is worthy of our reflection.

GATHERING MUSIC Dale Churchill, Dir. of Music

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS Barb Murray, Worship Associate

SINGING BOWL

CALL TO WORSHIP Rev. Tara Humphries

LIGHTING THE CHALICE & COMMUNITY CANDLE Kathryn Estey

*OPENING HYMN #1 May Nothing Evil Cross this Door

TIME FOR ALL AGES “I will remove from you your heart of stone and give you a heart of flesh.” (Ezekiel 36:26)

LAMPLIGHTING & RECESSIONAL

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

JOYS & SORROWS

PRAYER Ma Theresa "Tet" Gustilo Gallardo

SUNG MEDITATION Text Rebecca Ann Parker Music Beth Norton

*There is a Love holding us. There is a Love holding all that we love.
There is a Love holding all. We rest in this Love.*

INVITATION TO GENEROSITY

OFFERTORY Gentle Rain Louis Bonfi

READING “For When People Ask” Rosemerry Wahtola Trommer

Angie Dierks

ANTHEM Carry Me David Burrows (arr. Keith J. Arnold)

A2U2 Choir

*RITUAL

HOMILY “Hearts of Flesh and Stone” Rev. Tara Humphries

*CLOSING HYMN Spirit of Gentleness (v. 3-4, screen only)

BENEDICTION & EXTINGUISHING THE CHALICE Paula Gordon Lepp

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

We invite you to remain seated for a moment of silence followed by the Postlude, as we center ourselves before going back out into the world.

POSTLUDE The Gentle Rain Oscar Peterson

*Please rise in body and/or in spirit

November’s **SHARE THE PLATE** recipient is **ILAP**, the **Immigrant Legal Advocacy Project**, who advances justice and equity for immigrants and their families through direct legal services, community education, and systemic advocacy (ilapmaine.org).

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

NEXT SUNDAY

9 November - Worship with guest preacher Chaplain Kye Flannery

TODAY AFTER WORSHIP

Coffee Hour (Sanctuary/Foyer), **Brown Bag Brunch** (Board Room) & **Pagan Group** (Gathering Room)

*“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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“Hearts of Flesh and Stone”

Reverend Tara Humphries

Sunday 2 November 2025 at 10am