

*First Unitarian Universalist Society of Burlington, Vermont*

**Order of Service**

**January 16, 2022**

*“When we see others as the enemy, we risk becoming what we hate.*

*When we oppress others, we end up oppressing ourselves.*

*All of our humanity is dependent upon recognizing the humanity in others.”*

- Archbishop Desmond Tutu

**Prelude** *Pride (In the Name of Love)* James Stewart  
Adam Clayton/David Evans/Paul Hewson/Laurence Mullen

**Welcome** Geoff Duke

**Chalice Lighting** Rev. Patricia Hart  
“We kindle this chalice flame to remind ourselves of the light of truth, the warmth of community, and the fire of commitment.”

**Chime**

**Call to Worship** From Martin Luther King, Jr.  
*“Cowardice asks the question, is it safe? Expediency asks the question, is it politic?  
Vanity asks the question, is it popular? But conscience asks the question, is it right?  
And there comes a time when one must take a position that is neither safe, nor politic,  
nor popular, but one must take it because it is right.”*

**Hymn #1035** *Freedom Is Coming*

**Story for All Ages** *Desmond Gets Free* by Matt Meyer Erika Reif

**Meditation**  
Spoken Words  
Joys & Sorrows  
Silence

**Musical Meditation**      *Spirit of Life*

**Reading**                    “Set in Stone” by Victoria Safford

**Offering**

Offerings this month will be shared with **Abenaki Helping Abenaki**. The Nulhegan Band of the Coosuk Abenaki Nation are the Indigenous people upon whose unceded lands we live. The Nulhegan Abenaki Tribe operates a food sovereignty program aimed at providing Indigenous crops to its tribal citizens – “Abenaki Helping Abenaki.” For more information visit [abenakitribe.org](http://abenakitribe.org).

**Offering Dedication**

“With gratitude, we dedicate these gifts in the service of our mission to inspire spiritual growth, care for each other and our community, seek truth, and act for justice.”

**Offertory**                    *Improvisation on “We Shall Overcome”*  
arr. James Stewart

**Sermon**                    “Do Your Little Bit of Good Where You Are”

**Hymn #1030**                *Siyahamba (We Are Marching)*

**Chalice Extinguishing**

“We extinguish this flame, but not the light of truth, the warmth of community, or the fire of commitment. These we carry in our hearts and share with the world until we are together again.”

**Benediction**                    From Mahatma Gandhi

*“It’s the action, not the fruit of the action, that’s important. You have to do the right thing. It may not be in your power, may not be in your time, that there’ll be any fruit. But that doesn’t mean you stop doing the right thing. You may never know what results come from your action. But if you do nothing, there will be no result.”*

**Postlude**

**TODAY'S WORSHIP CREATORS**

**Developmental Senior Minister**

**Worship Associate**

**Director of Music**

**Director of Lifespan Faith Development**

**Tech Team**

Rev. Patricia Hart

Geoff Duke

James Stewart

Erika Reif

Woody Fulton

Memphis Everest

Zander Herrick

Claire Graham-Smith

Peggy Derby

**Banner Quilt - "Emergence"**

**Flowers**

*Desmond Gets Free* was written by Matt Meyer, illustrated by Khim Fam and published by Skinner House Books.

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