

*First Unitarian Universalist Society of Burlington, Vermont*

*Order of Service*

February 11, 2024

**Prelude**

Sam Whitesell

**Chime**

Rev. Karen G. Johnston

**Call to Worship**

*Tallis Canon*

FUUSB Choir

**Chalice Lighting**

“We kindle this flame to remind ourselves of the light of truth, the warmth of community, and the fire of commitment.”

**Welcome**

Mary Beth McNulty

**Hymn #1**

*Blessing for This House*  
(aka *May Nothing Evil Cross This Door*)

**Time for All Ages**

Erika Reif

**Singing the Children Out**

*As you journey, as you journey  
May you know, may you know  
Love and hope go with you, love and hope go with you  
Learn and grow, learn and grow*

**Testimonial**

Diana Kyser

**Spiritual Practices**

Generosity Practice

*Offerings this month will be shared with the BLUU Northside Housing Cooperative Initiative, a project of BLUU – the Black Lives of Unitarian Universalism organizing collective. By creating truly affordable housing, the initiative will make 24 Black and Indigenous families homeowners in North Minneapolis, fundamentally*

*transforming access to resources and wealth for generations. BLUU has secured funding to create the housing. The money we raise today will help lower the monthly cost for future Housing Initiative residents from \$1800 to \$1200 – the difference for most between truly sustainable and perhaps impossible.*

Recipient Video

Pastoral Prayer & Stillness

Introduction to Stone Ritual

Musical Meditation/Offertory

**Musical Selection**

**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.”*

**Reading**                    “America Is an Old House” (excerpt) by Isabel Wilkerson

**Sermon**                    “A Stacked Perspective: Unpacking the Boxes of Justice & Equity”

**Hymn #1017**                    *We Are Building a New Way*

**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**

**Postlude**

## **TODAY'S WORSHIP CREATORS**

<b>Senior Minister</b>	Rev. Karen G. Johnston
<b>Worship Associate</b>	Mary Beth McNulty
<b>Director of Lifespan Faith Development</b>	Erika Reif
<b>Director of Music</b>	James Stewart
<b>Musicians</b>	Sam Whitesell, FUUSB Choir
<b>Stewardship Testimonial</b>	Diana Kyser
<b>Tech Manager</b>	Michael Wright
<b>Tech Team</b>	Woody Fulton, Memphis Everest
<b>Facilities Manager</b>	Blake Ewoldsen
<b>Flowers</b>	Peggy Derby
<b>Banner Quilt</b>	Claire Graham-Smith
<b>Welcome Ambassadors</b>	Nancy Knox, Betsy Thayer

## **TODAY'S EVENTS**

9:50 am - Nursery Childcare - lower level

10:15 am - Faith Development Programs for Children & Youth:

Spirit Play (PreK-2nd Grade), Undercover Kindness Agents (2nd-5th) - lower level

Middle School Youth - Susan B. Anthony Room

11:10 am - Coffee Hour - Community Room

11:30 am - Emerging Adults Gathering - Susan B. Anthony Room

11:35 am - Sunday Circle - Parlors

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