Order of Worship - April 25, 2021

Preservice Music—time for calming and centering as you prepare for worship

Ringing of the Opening Chime Denise Curry

Welcome and Announcements Denise Curry

Invitation to Worship Denise Curry

Prelude Angela Salvaggione

Opening Words "The Womb of Stars" by Joy Atkinson Rev. Darrick Jackson

Opening Hymn: Gray Hymnal #21 "For the Beauty of the Earth" Angela Salvaggione

Unison Chalice Lighting Denise Curry

As the first hint of green begins to peek through the barren ground
As that little sprig grows into a healthy stem
As that stem grows into a stalk and forms a bud
As that bud slowly opens with each new day To form a yellow daffodil
Let us be, like that first hint of green, renewed by the warm of the sun's rays
And ready to emerge with a new energy, ready to face the day.
We light this chalice to bring a glimmer of that warmth into our space.

-Jennifer McGlothin

Covenant Denise Curry

Love is the doctrine of this church.

The quest of truth is its sacrament, and service is its prayer.

To dwell together in peace, to seek knowledge in freedom,
to serve humanity in fellowship,

To the end that all souls shall grow in harmony with the Divine,
Thus do we covenant with each other and with God.

Sharing of Joys and Concerns Denise Curry

Meditation (spoken) Rev. Darrick Jackson

(sung) Gray Hymnal #123 "Spirit of Life" Angela Salvaggione

Reading "I Sit in My Room" by Jean Toomer Rev. Darrick Jackson

Sermon "Grounded in the Earth" Rev. Darrick Jackson

Closing Words Rev. Darrick Jackson

Closing Hymn Teal Hymnal #1064 "Blue Boat Home" Angela Salvaggione

Chalice Extinguishing Denise Curry

Carry the Flame of Peace and Love Until We Meet Again.

Postlude Piano - 10