Order of Worship - December 26, 2021

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

Ringing of the Opening Chime Charlotte Droogan

Welcome and Announcements Charlotte Droogan

Invitation to Worship Charlotte Droogan

Prelude Lorna Mae Ehlert

Opening Words "The Work of Christmas" by Howard Thurman The Rev. Ms. Denise Tracy

Opening Hymn: Gray Hymnal #254 "Sing We Now of Christmas" Lorna Mae Ehlert

Unison Chalice Lighting Charlotte Droogan

As the year 2021 draws to an end, Let us light this chalice for a new beginning And a renewed purpose.

Covenant Charlotte Droogan

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.

Time for the Young at Heart "The Woman & The Sand Dollar" by Dorothea L. Dix The Rev. Ms. Denise Tracy

Reading: "The Monks' Story" by Ben Zander Bill Decker

Sermon: "The Real Church" The Rev. Ms. Denise Tracy

Offertory Charlotte Droogan

Spoken Meditation: The Rev. Ms. Denise Tracy

Joys & Sorrows Charlotte Droogan

Musical Meditation: Gray Hymnal #240 "I Heard the Bells on Christmas Day" Lorna Mae Ehlert

Closing Hymn: Gray Hymnal #239 "Go Tell It On The Mountain" Lorna Mae Ehlert

Closing Words/Holding the Light The Rev. Ms. Denise Tracy

Chalice Extinguishing Charlotte Droogan

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

Postlude "The Feast of Stephen" Lorna Mae Ehlert